

**7 Contrasts Between the Rapture and Second Coming**

➤ **PROPHETIC CONTRAST #1 - Different Revelation: SECRET vs. NONSECRET**

Rapture Predicted ONLY in The New Testament  
**NOT Revealed in the Old Testament**

**TOP SECRET**

Church Age Saints Return to Heaven BEFORE Christ's Second Coming to Earth Occurs (John 14:1-3)

It was a "mystery" (Sacred Secret) Hidden and Not Known by O.T. Prophets (1 Corinthians 15:52)

Second Coming was Predicted in Old Testament (No Secret) (Daniel 7:13-14)

In New Testament it is Also Known As ...



**Revelation 20:1-5**

➤ **PROPHETIC CONTRAST #2 - Different Destiny: Going UP vs. Coming DOWN**



In the RAPTURE We are Going UP to Heaven to the Father's House (John 14:1-3)

**Jesus Returns FOR His Saints**

In the Second Coming We are Coming DOWN From Heaven to Earth

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**Jesus Returns WITH His Saints**

**Revelation 19:11-16**

➤ **PROPHETIC CONTRAST #3 - Different Geography: Christ REMAINING in the air vs. Christ RETURNING to earth**

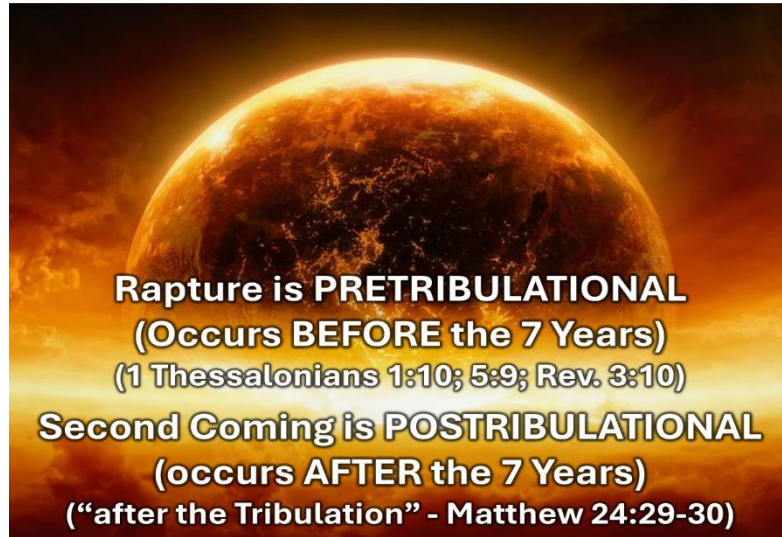
Geography of the Rapture = Christ **Remains** in the Air (1 Thessalonians 4:17)

**"Meet the Lord in the air"**

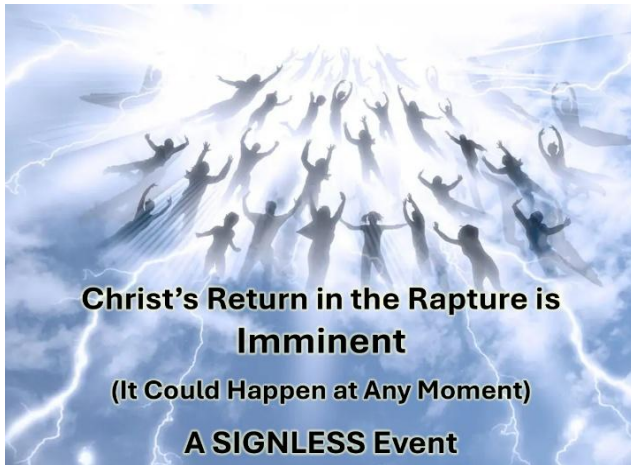
Geography of Second Coming = Christ **Returns** to Earth

**"And his feet shall stand in that day upon the mount of Olives"** (Zechariah 14:4, 9)

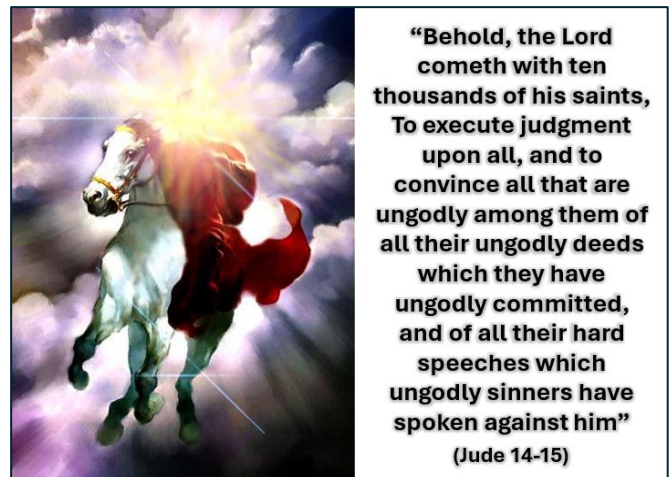
➤ **PROPHETIC CONTRAST #4 - Different Timing:** BEFORE the Tribulation Period vs. AFTER the Tribulation Period



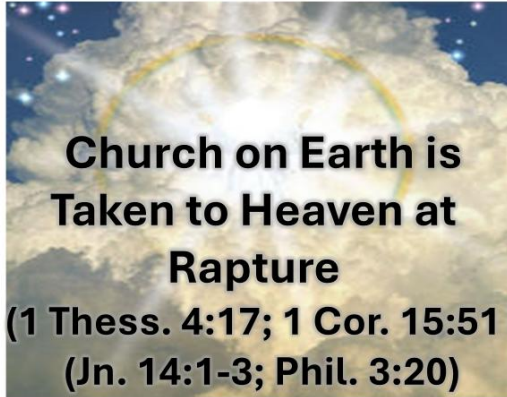
➤ **PROPHETIC CONTRAST #5 - Different Specifications:** Signs vs. no signs and imminent vs. non-imminent.



➤ **PROPHETIC CONTRAST #6 - Different Results:** Comfort vs. Judgment



➤ **PROPHETIC CONTRAST #7 - DIFFERENT PEOPLE TAKEN: SAVED** are taken to Heaven vs. the **UNSAVED** taken to Hell (Hades).



**Church on Earth is  
Taken to Heaven at  
Rapture**  
(1 Thess. 4:17; 1 Cor. 15:51  
(Jn. 14:1-3; Phil. 3:20)



**Unsaved on Earth  
are Taken to Hades  
at Second Coming**  
(Matt. 24:36-41, 51  
Matt. 25:31, 41, 46)

