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1. We will be <u>blessed</u> to <u>read</u>, <u>hear</u> and <u>keep</u> the prophetic word and keep on <u>learning</u> as revelation is <u>progressive</u> with <u>current insights</u>.

Revelation 1:3 Blessed is he who reads and those who hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written in it; for the time is near.

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2. **Evangelism** - Salvation of loved ones at stake.

Revelation 20:15 - Book of Life





- Strengthen relationship
- Specific Strategic Prayer

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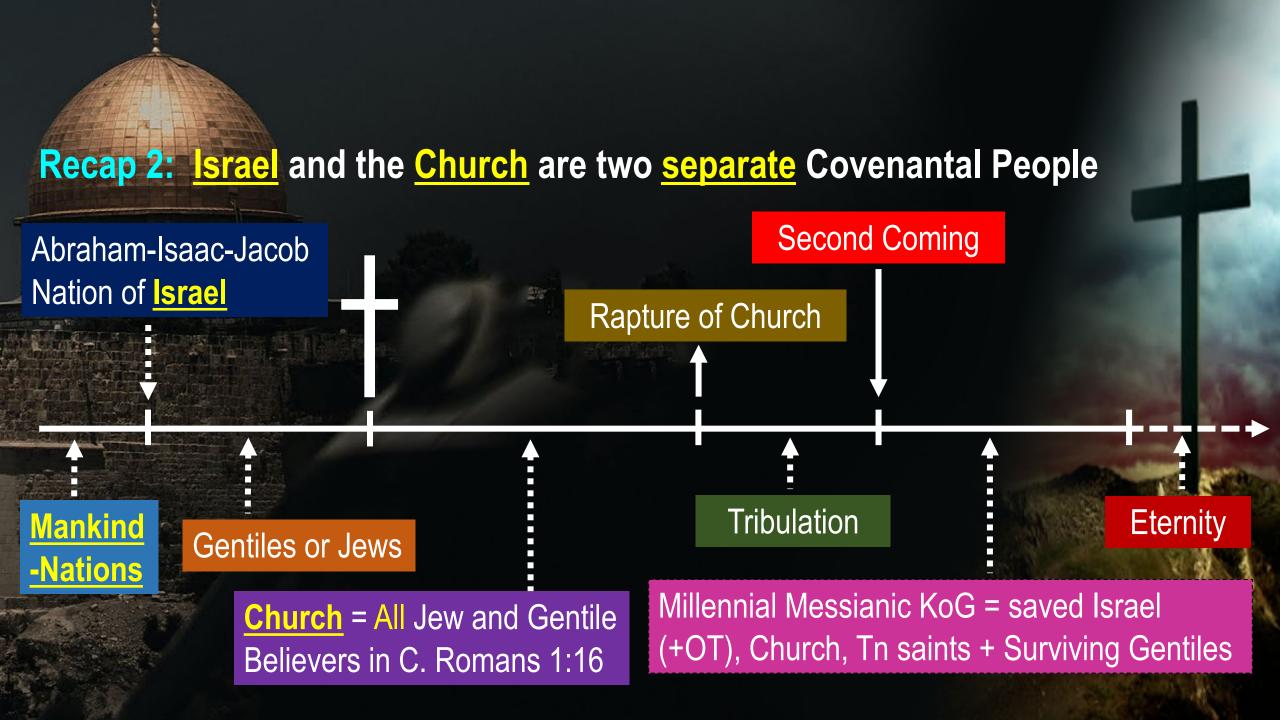
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- 3. We are to **heed** the prophetic word until the Rapture
 - 2 Peter 1:19 HOW?
 - Work on deepening our relationship with God
 - Strengthen our Altar of Thanksgiving, Praise & Worship
 - Re-align our lives God-ward
 - Re-set our values and priorities
 - Re-calibrate continual choices and outcomes
 - Re-focus to fulfil our destiny to finish well

Why?

Judgment Seat of Christ

2 Cor 5:10-11 Ex 20:20



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I. The Day of the LORD

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In the OT

- Isaiah 2:12; 13:6, 9; 34:8
- > Jeremiah 46:10
- Lamentations 2:22
- > Ezekiel 13:5; 30:3
- > Joel 1:15; 2:1, 11, 31; 3:14

- > Amos 5:18, 20
- > Obadiah 1:15
- > Zephaniah 1:7, 8, 14, 18; 2:2-3
- > Zechariah 14:1
- Malachi 4:5

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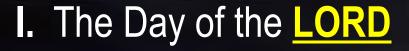
Acts 2:20 The <u>sun shall be turned</u> into darkness, and the <u>moon into</u> blood, before the coming of the great and awesome day of the Lord.

> 1 Thessalonians 5:2 For you yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so comes as a thief in the night.

I. The Day of the **LORD**

- 2. Various names used in the OT for the day of the LORD:
 - The Time of Jacob's Trouble (Jeremiah 30:7)
 - The Seventieth Week (Daniel 9:27)
 - The Day of Israel's Distress/Calamity (Obadiah 1:12-14)
 - The Indignation/Wrath (Isaiah 26:20; Daniel 11:36)
 - > The Overflowing Scourge (Isaiah 28:15, 18)

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 - > The Day of God's Vengeance (Isaiah 34:8; 35:4; 61:2)
 - The Time of Trouble (Daniel 12:1; Zephaniah 1:15)
 - The Day of Wrath, Distress, Devastation, Desolation (Zephaniah 1:15)
 - > The Day of Darkness (Zephaniah 1:15; Amos 5:18, 20; Joel 2:2)
 - > The Day of Gloominess, Thick Darkness (Zephaniah 1:15; Joel 2:2)
 - > The Day of the Trumpet and Alarm (Zephaniah 1:16)



- 3. Various names used in the NT for the day of the LORD:
 - The Day of the LORD (1 Thessalonians 5:2)
 - > The Day of the Wrath of God (Revelation 15:1, 7; 14:10, 19; 16:1)
 - The Hour of Trial (Revelation 3:10)
 - The Great Day of the Wrath of the Lamb of God (Revelation 6:16-17)



- > The Wrath to Come (1 Thessalonians 1:10)
- The Wrath (1 Thessalonians 1:9; Revelation 11:18)
- The Great Tribulation(Matthew 24:21; Revelation 2:22; 7:14)
- > The Tribulation (Matthew 24:29)
- > The Hour of Judgment (Revelation 14:7)

- I. The Day of the **LORD**
 - 4. The Day of the LORD refers to the Day of God's Wrath, destruction and judgment upon this world.

Isaiah 13:9-11

9 Behold, the <u>day of the Lord</u> comes, <u>cruel</u>, with both <u>wrath</u> and <u>fierce anger</u>, to lay the <u>land desolate</u>; and He will <u>destroy</u> its sinners from it. 10 For the stars of heaven and their constellations will <u>not give their light</u>; the <u>sun</u> will be <u>darkened</u> in its going forth, and the <u>moon</u> will <u>not</u> cause its light to <u>shine</u>.

11 I will <u>punish</u> the <u>world</u> for its <u>evil</u>, and the <u>wicked</u> for their <u>iniquity</u>; I will halt the <u>arrogance</u> of the <u>proud</u>, and will lay low the <u>haughtiness</u> of the <u>terrible</u>.

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Zephaniah 1:14-16

14 The great day of the Lord is near; it is near and hastens quickly. The noise of the day of the Lord is bitter; there the mighty men shall cry out. 15 That day is a day of wrath, a day of trouble and distress, a day of devastation and desolation, a day of darkness and gloominess, a day of clouds and thick darkness, 16 A day of trumpet and alarm against the fortified cities and against the high towers.

- 4. The Day of the LORD refers to the Day of God's Wrath, destruction and judgment upon this world.
 - Isaiah 34:2 Indignation of the LORD upon all nations.
 - Isaiah 34:4 All the host of heaven shall be dissolved (2 Peter 3:10-13), heavens rolled up together as a scroll (Revelation 6:14), all their host shall fall down as a falling fig from a fig tree (Revelation 6:13).
 - Isaiah 34:8 This is the Day of the LORD's vengeance.

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 - **Joel 1:15** A destruction from the Almighty.
 - Joel 2:1-2 A day of darkness and of gloominess, a day of clouds and thick clouds.
 - Joel 2:3-11 (Zechariah 14:5; Revelation 12:11-17)

 The believing remnant shall flee to Petra!

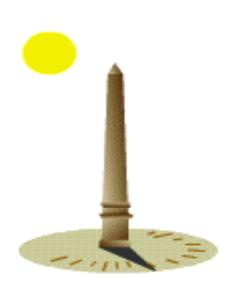
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 - Amos 5:18-20 The day of darkness not light.
 - Zechariah 14:2 He gathers all nations to battle against Jerusalem, half of Jerusalem goes into captivity.
 - Zechariah 14:3 Then the LORD shall go forth and fight against those nations Jesus Second Coming!

I. The Day of the **LORD**

- 5. Understanding **Prophecy** and **Timing** of its fulfilment
 - 2 Peter 3:8 1000 years to us is but one day to the Lord.
 - There can be more than one prophecy in a verse or 2, but its respective fulfilment can be over many years from our time perspective. EG: **Isaiah 9:6-7** the birth of the Lord Jesus and His Millennial Kingdom rule.
 - Similarly our understanding of the Day of the LORD.

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Eternity



There was a time when there was **no** time

- I. The Day of the **LORD**
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There was a time when God created <u>TIME</u>, then God created <u>SPACE</u>

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Within the dimension of time and space, God created <u>MAN</u>

So man lives within the boundaries of <u>time</u> and <u>space</u>

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God is **outside** of **Time** and **Space**

There will be a **Time** when **Time** no longer exist.
It's called **Eternity**!

I. The Day of the LORD

5A. The word "Day" vary from a <u>specific</u> event, to an <u>extended period</u> of time, but having the <u>characteristics</u> of a 24 hour <u>day</u>.

A DAY:

- begins at midnight (00:00) or in darkness,
- advancing to dawn (say 06:00) and
- then full daylight
- > towards dusk (say 18:00) at evening with another period of darkness
- > and another day begins again just after midnight (00:00).

5B. The Day of the **LORD**:

- (1) **Begins** with the **Rapture**
 - 1 Thessalonians 5:1-10
 - Day of the Lord cometh (beginning) as a thief in the night.
 - "But ye <u>brethren</u>" are <u>not in darkness</u> that <u>that day</u> should overtake you.
 - Ye are children of the light and of the day; we are not of night nor or darkness.
 - God hath not appointed us unto wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ.

5B. The Day of the **LORD**:

(2) Followed by

the 7 years Tribulation Judgment of destruction and devastation where most OT scriptures re the day of the LORD refer to.

Here, the Day of the LORD is that time of God's Wrath on:

- (A) Israel for her unbelief and rejection of God.
- (B) The <u>nations of the world</u> for their rebellion and rejection of God.

"Those who dwell on the earth"

Revelation 3:10; 6:10; 8:13; 11:10; 13:8, 12, 14; 14:6; 17:8

- **5B.** The Day of the **LORD**:
 - (3) Climaxing and Ending the Tribulation
 - @ Christ's Second Coming
 - ✓ at the Battle of Armaggedon

Matthew 24:30 Then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in heaven, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory.

Zechariah 14:1-5 - Armaggedon

1 Behold, the day of the Lord is coming, .. 2 For I will gather all the nations to battle against Jerusalem; the city shall be taken, the houses rifled, and the women ravished. Half of the city shall go into captivity, but the remnant of the people shall not be cut off from the city. 3 Then the Lord will go forth and fight against those nations, as He fights in the day of battle. 4 And in that day His feet will stand on the Mount of Olives, which faces Jerusalem on the east. And the Mount of Olives shall be split in two, from east to west, making a very large valley; half of the mountain shall move toward the north and half of it toward the south. 5 .. Thus the Lord my God will come, and all the saints with You.

Revelation 19:11-19 - the **Second Coming of the Lord**.

11 Now I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse. And He who sat on him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and makes war. 12 His eyes were like a flame of fire, and on His head were many crowns. He had a name written that no one knew except Himself. 13 He was clothed with a robe dipped in blood, and His name is called The Word of God. 14 And the armies in heaven, clothed in fine linen, white and clean, followed Him on white horses. 15 Now out of His mouth goes a sharp sword, that with it He should strike the nations. And He Himself will rule them with a rod of iron. He Himself treads the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God.

Revelation 19:11-19 - the **Second Coming of the Lord**.

16 And He has on His robe and on His thigh a name written: King of Kings and Lord of Lords. 17 Then I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the birds that fly in the midst of heaven, "Come and gather together for the supper of the great God, 18 that you may eat the flesh of kings, the flesh of captains, the flesh of mighty men, the flesh of horses and of those who sit on them, and the flesh of all people, free and slave, both small and great." 19 And I saw the beast, the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against Him who sat on the horse and against His army (Armageddon).



Zechariah 14:8-9, 14-15

8 And in that day it shall be That living waters shall flow from Jerusalem, half of them toward the eastern sea and half of them toward the western sea; in both summer and winter it shall occur. 9 And the Lord shall be King over all the earth. In that day it shall be—"The Lord is one," and His name one. 14 Sing, O daughter of Zion! Shout, O Israel! Be glad and rejoice with all your heart, O daughter of Jerusalem! 15 The Lord has taken away your judgments, He has cast out your enemy. The King of Israel, the Lord, is in your midst; you shall see disaster no more.



- (5) Millennium will end by another night of Judgment
 - the Great White Throne Judgment + all Books opened

Revelation 20:11-12

11 Then I saw a great white throne ... 12 And I saw the dead, small and great, standing before God, and books were opened. And another book was opened, which is the Book of Life. And the dead were judged according to their works, by the things which were written in the books.

5B. The Day of the **LORD**:

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Revelation 20:13-15

13 The sea gave up the dead who were in it, and Death and Hades delivered up the dead who were in them. And they were <u>judged</u>, <u>each one according</u> to <u>his works</u>. 14 Then Death and Hades were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. 15 And anyone not found written in the <u>Book of Life</u> was cast into the lake of fire.

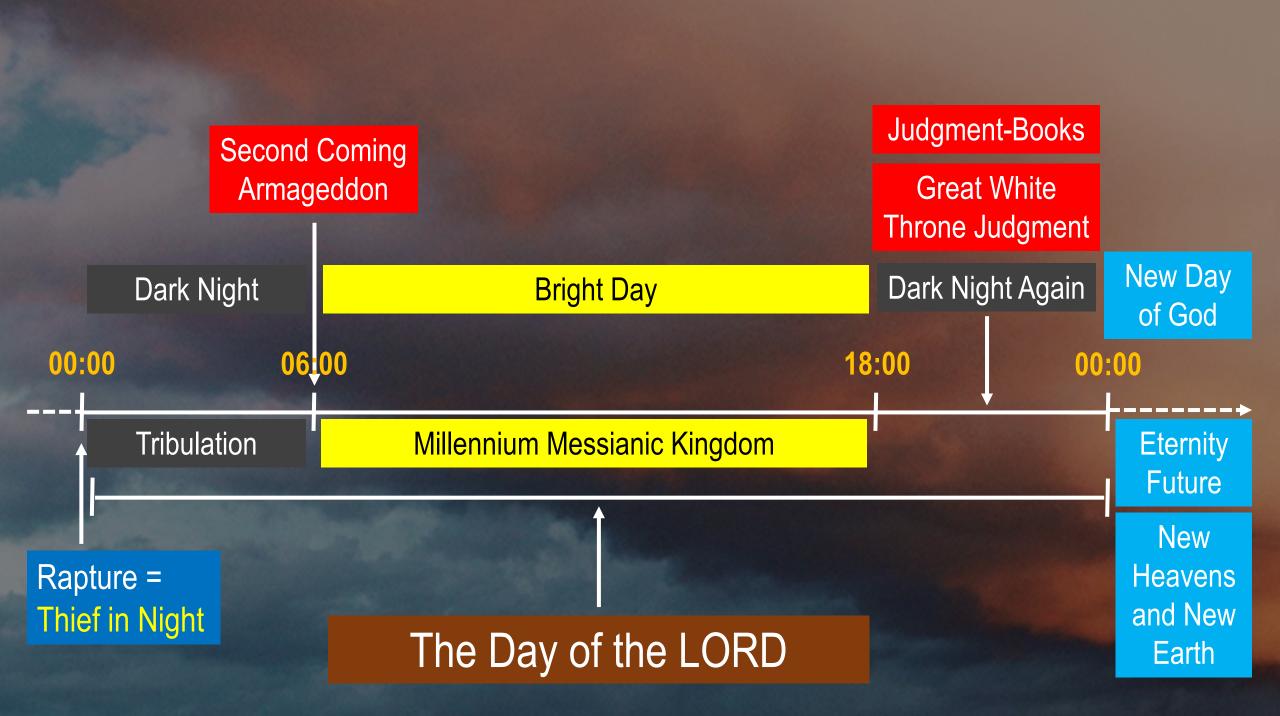
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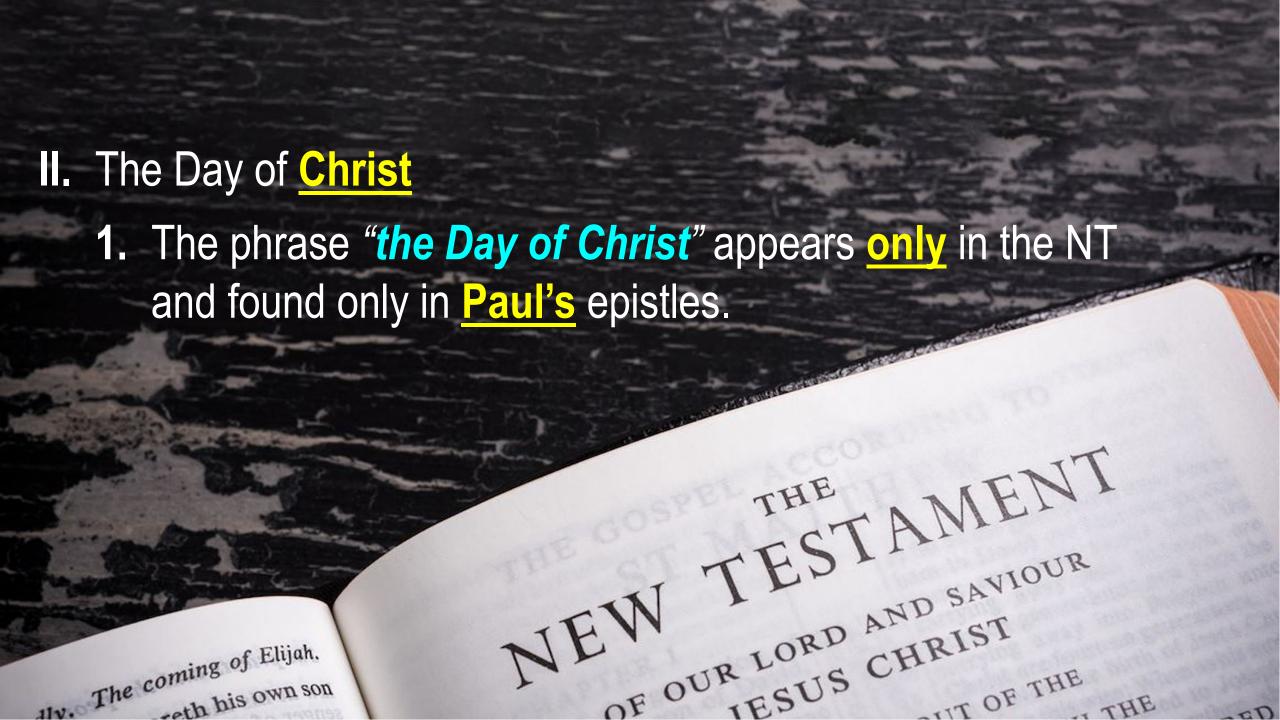
- The Day of the LORD ends with the Judgments.
- Then begins a new day known as the <u>Day of God</u> (2 Peter 3:12) which is <u>Eternity</u> with new heavens and the new earth.

Summary of the Day of the LORD The Day of the LORD:

- begins with the Rapture followed by the
 - ✓ Tribulation;
 - ✓ Christ's Second Coming;
 - ✓ Millennial Kingdom;
 - ✓ Great White Throne Judgment & Judgments;
 - ✓ Followed by the Day of God with new heavens and new earth in Eternity.







1 Corinthians 1:4-8

- Paul is praying for the Corinthian saints
- Confirmed "unto the end", that ye may be blameless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

1 Corinthians 5:1-5

that the spirit may be saved in the day of the Lord Jesus.

2 Corinthians 1:13-14

> ye also are ours in the day of the Lord Jesus.

Philippians 1:3-6

- Paul praying for the Philippians saints
- God which began a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ.

Philippians 1:10-11

- Paul's praying that their love may abound more and more in knowledge and in all judgment.
- approve things that are excellent.
- > to be sincere and without offence till the day of Christ.

Philippians 2:12-16

- exhortation on working out your own salvation with fear and trembling.
- > it is God who works in you to will and do of his good pleasure.
- do all things without murmurings or disputings.
- that ye may be blameless sons of God holding forth the word of life.
- > that I may rejoice in the day of Christ.

II. The Day of Christ

- **2A.** has nothing at all to do with <u>God's wrath judgment</u> upon this earth;
- 2B. is when the Church meets her Lord in the air i.e. Rapture;
- **2C.** it is when those dead and alive in Christ shall get their new resurrected glorified bodies.
- 2D. We shall all be changed in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye.
- **2E.** The corruptible shall put on <u>incorruption</u>, and the mortal <u>immortality</u>.

BOTTOM-LINE

The Day of Christ is distinct from the Day of the Lord

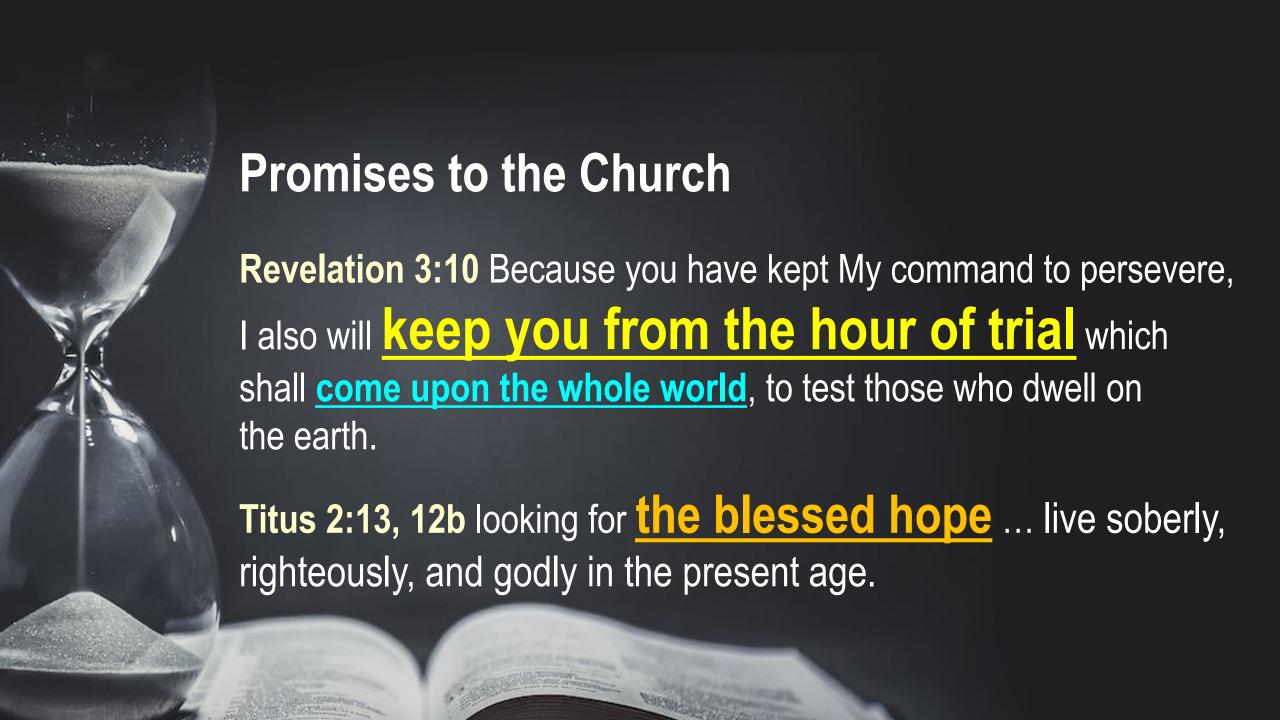
One is of great anticipation, joy, blessing and reward.

The other is a time of terror, wrath, dread and woe.

Promises to the Church

1 Thessalonians 1:10 and to wait for His Son from heaven, whom He raised from the dead, even Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come.

1 Thessalonians 5:9 For God did not appoint us to Wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ.



BOTTOM-LINE

Day of Christ = Pre-tribulation Rapture = Blessed Hope

Philippians 1:10 (NIV) so that you may be able to discern what is best and may be <u>pure and blameless</u> for the day of Christ.

Q1: What am I presently doing to be on track, to be <u>pure and</u> <u>blameless</u>? (sincere and without offense - NKJ)

Q2: What are currently good <u>practices</u> in BBTC that I must <u>whole-heartedly</u> commit to, so as to finish well?