

SO SHALL WE EVER BE

1 THESS. 4:13-18 & MATT. 24:41-44

Text: 1 Thessalonians 4:17

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Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

Introduction:

1. THE TIMING AND REASONS CONCERNING THE RAPTURE

A - Prophesied By the Scriptures

B - Preached By the Saints (I Thess 4: 13 - 18)

C - Prompted By the Signs (II Tim 3: 1 - 8)

D - Presented By the Saviour (John 14: 1 - 3)

2. THE TARGET AND RECIPIENTS CONCERNING THE RAPTURE

A - A Distinct and Specified Group

B - A Decided and Saved Group

C - A Different and Separated Group

3. THE TRANSITION AND REMOVAL CONCERNING THE RAPTURE

A - The Coming Cloud - A Majestic Saviour

B - The Clear Call - A Marvelous Sound

C - The Complete Change - A Momentous Setting

4. THE THRILLS AND REWARDS CONCERNING THE RAPTURE

A - The Hope That I've Trusted In - No Wrath

B - The Home That I've Travelled To - No Way

C - The Heaven That I've Thought Of – No
Worries

5. THE TRAGEDY AND REGRETS CONCERNING THE RAPTURE

A - Heaven Will Be Missed - The Damned Souls
(II Thessalonians 2: 10 - 12)

B - Hell Will Be Manifested - The Deep Sorrows
(Luke 16: 23 - 24, Rev. 20: 11 - 15)

6. THE TEST AND RESPONSE CONCERNING THE RAPTURE

A - A Simple Question - Are You Saved?

Have you ever personally asked Jesus into your heart?

B - A Serious Observation - Are You Sure?

I did not ask you if you were a church member, if you were a good person, if you have ever been baptized - I asked you if you were sure - sure enough that if the rapture occurs - you would be rapture ready - are you sure.

C - A Stunning Realization - Are You Shocked