

# Second Peter Lesson #9

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 2 Peter 3:10 But the day of the Lord will come like a thief. The heavens will disappear with a roar; the elements will be destroyed by fire, and the earth and everything in it will be laid bare. NIV

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 We say that Jesus could come back at any moment – what is that doctrine called?

 We say that Jesus could come back at any moment – what do you see in the church of today that indicates we really believe this?

 The day of the Lord is scripture's way of describing a time of divine intervention into history for judgment.

 The 'day of the Lord' is actually not a day at all, but a period of time during the tribulation and then another time at the end of the millennium.

 Acts 2:20 The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord . NIV

 1 Cor 5:4 When you are assembled in the name of our Lord Jesus and I am with you in spirit, and the power of our Lord Jesus is present, 5 hand this man over to Satan, so that the sinful nature may be destroyed and his spirit saved on the day of the Lord NIV

 1 Thess 5:2 for you know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. NIV

 2 Thess 2:2 not to become easily unsettled or alarmed by some prophecy, report or letter supposed to have come from us, saying that the day of the Lord has already come. NIV

2 Thess 1:6 God is just: He will pay back trouble to those who trouble you 7 and give relief to you who are troubled, and to us as well. This will happen when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven in blazing fire with his powerful angels. 8 He will punish those who do not know God and do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus. 9 They will be punished with everlasting destruction and shut out from the presence of the Lord and from the majesty of his power 10 on the day he comes to be glorified in his holy people and to be marveled at among all those who have believed. This includes you, because you believed our testimony to you. NIV

 The next event on the prophetic calendar is the second coming of Jesus Christ.

 His second coming will happen in two stages; the rapture of the church followed (7) years later by His glorious appearing.

 The rapture will be a secretive event; the glorious appearing will be anything but secretive.

 Rev 1:7 Look, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and all the peoples of the earth will mourn because of him.
So shall it be! Amen. NIV

 Zech 12:9 On that day I will set out to destroy all the nations that attack Jerusalem. 10 "And I will pour out on the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem a spirit of grace and supplication. They will look on me, the one they have pierced , and they will mourn for him as one mourns for an only child, and grieve bitterly for him as one grieves for a firstborn son.

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#### The Rapture

 There are few events, if any, in scripture that are more exciting than the rapture.

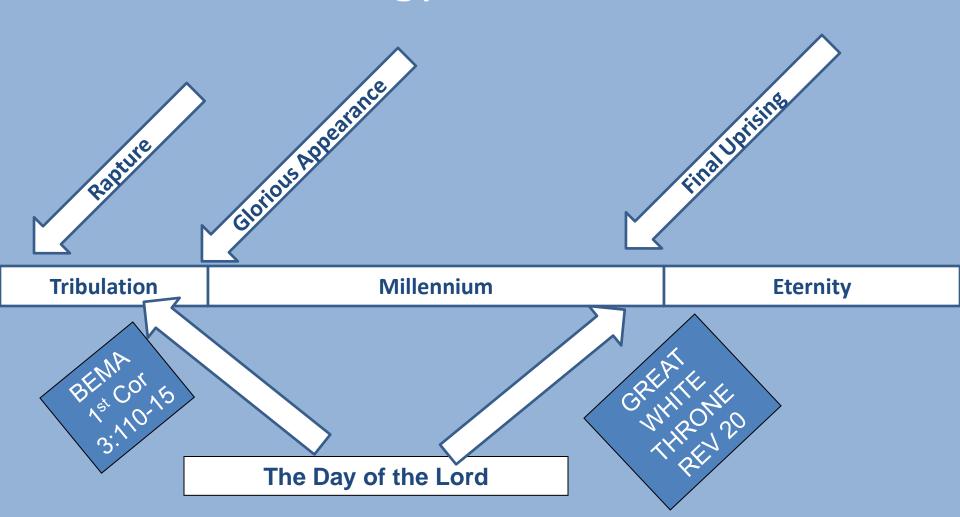
It will be sudden, secretive, and exclusive.

 The world that is left behind by the church will be thrown into chaos and will welcome a leader who can bring some order.

#### The Rapture

Matt 24:33 Even so, when you see all these things, you know that it is near, right at the door. 34 I tell you the truth, this generation will certainly not pass away until all these things have happened. 35 Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away. 36 "No one knows about that day or hour, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. 37 As it was in the days of Noah, so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. 38 For in the days before the flood, people were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, up to the day Noah entered the ark; 39 and they knew nothing about what would happen until the flood came and took them all away. That is how it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. 40 Two men will be in the field; one will be taken and the other left. 41 Two women will be grinding with a hand mill; one will be taken and the other left. 42 "Therefore keep watch, because you do not know on what day your Lord will come. NIV

#### The Chronology of the 'End Times'.



#### Eternity

Rev 21:1 Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea. 2 I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband. 3 And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Now the dwelling of God is with men, and he will live with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. 4 He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away." 5 He who was seated on the throne said, "I am making everything new!" Then he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true." NIV

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