

## **Pre or Post Tribulation Rapture?**

- Will the Church go through the Tribulation?

### **9 Scriptural considerations:**

#### **1) Divine Blueprint (Rev 1:19 + ch 2 & 3 + ch4:1)**

- The key to Revelation (Ch 1:19)

#### **2) Divine principle (Isaiah 57:1)**

- Methuselah and Enoch pictures of the rapture.

#### **3) Daniels 70th Week (Daniel 9v26 & 27)**

- Gap between v26 and v27: during which time the hidden mystery of the Church age occurs (Colossians 1:26, 27).

#### **4) Distinction - between Israel & the Church.**

- Promises to elect remnant of Israel yet to be fulfilled (Romans 11)

- Neither Jew nor Gentile (Gal 3:28) is Church truth, not embrative of the OT saints nor the future tribulation remnant of Israel or Gentiles (Rev 7:3-9)

- The Great Tribulation = "the time of Jacobs trouble" (Jeremiah 30:7) not the Church.

#### **5) "Delivered... from the wrath to come" (1 Thess 1:10 + 1 Thes 5:9)**

- 'Day of wrath' is always the Tribulation (Rev 6:16.17)

#### **6) Divine comfort (1 Thes 4:18 & 5:11)**

#### **7) Children of the Day – not of the night (1 Thes 5: 5)**

- Church period = The day of Gods grace, not the night of the tribulation.

#### **8) Dichotomy: Two trumpets - prove two parts to the second coming.**

- 1 Cor 15:52 & Rev7:15. Rev 7:15 is in the middle of the tribulation,... and Christ doesn't return to the earth until the end of the tribulation which ends in Rev 16 (ref. Zech 14:1-5, Rev 19:11 to 21)

#### **9) Differences - between the two parts of the 2nd Coming (perousia)**

- to the clouds... 1Thes 4:17

- to the earth Zech 14:4