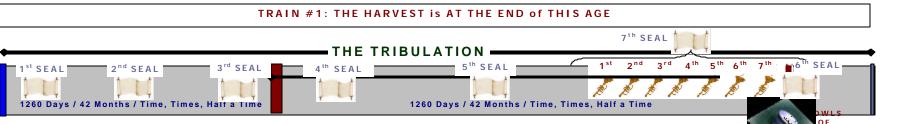
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#### Matthew 24:13-14

13 But he who endures to the end shall be saved. 14 And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in all the world as a witness to all the nations, and then the end will come.

The disciples ask about the END of the AGE... Jesus responds with a discussion of the END of the AGE. He who ENDURES to the END shall be SAVED.



### Matthew 13:36-43

36 Then Jesus sent the multitude away and went into the house. And His disciples came to Him, saying, "Explain to us the parable of the tares of the field." 37 He answered and said to them: "He who sows the good seed is the Son of Man. 38 The field is the world, the good seeds are the sons of the kingdom, but the tares are the sons of the wicked one. 39 The enemy who sowed them is the devil, the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are the angels. 40 Therefore as the tares are gathered and burned in the fire, so it will be at the end of this age, 41 The Son of Man will send out His angels, and they will gather out of His kingdom all things that offend, and those who practice lawlessness, 42 and will cast them into the furnace of fire. There will be wailing and gnashing of teeth. 43 Then the righteous will shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father. He who has ears to hear, let him hear!

Jesus pinpoints the HARVEST at the END of THIS AGE.. the REAPERS are ANGELS

WHEAT & TARES are BOTH HARVESTED TOGETHER, AT THE SAME TIME



#### Revelation 14:14-16

14 Then I looked, and behold, a white cloud, and on the cloud sat One like the Son of Man, having on His head a golden crown, and in His hand a sharp sickle. 15 And another angel came out of the temple, crying with a loud voice to Him who sat on the cloud, "Thrust in Your sickle and reap, for the time has come for You to reap, for the harvest of the earth is ripe." 16 So He who sat on the cloud thrust in His sickle on the earth, and the earth was reaped.

The HARVEST comes AFTER 42 months of persecution of the SAINTS (Rev 13:5-10)

THE 42 MONTHS are the LAST 3 1/2
YEARS of THIS AGE

ONE like the SON of MAN REAPS... ANGELS GATHER the ELECT from 4 WINDS

# Q: WHEN is THE END of the AGE?

A: AT THE TIME OF THE GREAT HARVEST

### Q: WHEN is THE HARVEST?

A: AT THE END of 3 ½ YEARS OF PERSECUTION of the SAINTS, DURING WHICH THEY ARE GIVEN OVER to the ANTI-CHRIST, ARE WARRED AGAINST, AND ARE OVERCOME

# Q: WHO in the 7 CHURCHES are the LETTERS WRITTEN TO?

A: TO OVERCOMERS

# Q: WHAT ARE SAINTS TOLD TO DO DURING the 3 ½ YEARS?

A: PERSEVERE, KEEP THE COMMANDMENTS of GOD, KEEP THEIR FAITH in JESUS, NOT TAKE the MARK of the BEAST

The timing of the rapture is... at the END of the AGE AND at the TIME of the HARVEST

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18] When these things begin to happen, YOUR redemption draws near

### Matt 24:15-16

7th SEAL

15 "Therefore when you see the 'abomination of desolation,' spoken of by Daniel the prophet, standing in the holy place" (whoever reads, let him understand), 16 then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains.



THE "YOU" were the DISCIPLES of JESUS in the ORIGINAL CONTEXT

THE "YOU" were the DISCIPLES who were given the GREAT COMMISSION, and by VIRTUE of ASSOCIATION... MODERN DISCIPLES of JESUS as

IF the YOU are people who missed the rapture and then "get saved", then the YOU Jesus is speaking to is not or were not TRUE DISCIPLES to start with

WHY DIDN'T JESUS SAY "When THEY see the abomination..."?

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TRAIN #3: The RAPTURE, THE GATHERING of the SAINTS, & the DAY of the LORD

WRATH to COME MAN of SIN REVEALED THE TRIBULATION -ABOMINATION of WITH A SHOUT + VOICE of ARCHANGEL + W/LAST TRUMPET **DESOLATION** The LORD DESCENDS from HEAVEN APOSTASY + FALLING AWAY OWLS DEAD in CHRIST RISE SUFFERING, TRIBULATION of SAINTS LIVING SAINTS RAPTURED + MEET OF LORD in AIR WRATH 1260 Days / 42 Months / Time, Times, Half a Time 1260 Days / 42 Months / Time, Times, Half a Time The DAY of the LORD

#### 1 Thess 1:9-10

9 For they themselves declare concerning us what manner of entry we had to you, and how you turned to God fro midols to serve the living and true God, 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 Thess 5:9-10

9 For God did not appoint us to wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, 10 who died for us, that whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with Him.



### 1 Thess 1:6

And you became followers of us and of the Lord, having received the word in much affliction [tribulation], with joy of the Holy Spirit,

#### 1 Thess 2:14

For you, brethren, became imitators of the churches of God which are in Judea in Christ Jesus. For you also suffered the same things from your own countrymen, just as they did from the Judeans,

# 1 Thess 3:3-5

3 that no one should be shaken by these afflictions; for you yourselves know that we are appointed to this. 4 For, in fact, we told you before when we were with you that we would suffer tribulation, just as it happened, and you know.

### 2 Thess 1:3-11

4 so that we ourselves boast of you among the churches of God for your patience and faith in all your persecutions and tribulations that you endure, 5 which is manifest evidence of the righteous judgment of God, that you may be counted worthy of the kingdom of God, for which you also suffer; 6 since it is a righteous thing with God to repay with tribulation those who trouble you, 7 and to give you who are troubled rest with us when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven with His mighty angels, 8 in flaming fire taking vengeance on those who do not know God, and on those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. 9 These shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of His power, 10 when He comes, in that Day, to be glorified in His saints and to be admired among all those who believe, because our testimony among you was believed.

# WHEN WILL THE RAPTURE OCCUR? AT the DAY of the LORD

### ON THE DAY OF THE LORD:

WE are DELIVERED FROM TRIBULATION WE are RESCUED FROM WRATH

THE DAY of the LORD is OUR GATHERING to HIM and THUS the TIME of the RAPTURE

THE COMING of JESUS = OUR GATHERING = THE DAY OF THE LORD

PAUL specifically LINKS discussion of the RAPTURE, the COMING of JESUS, the DAY of the LORD, and the WRATH of God

#### WITH

SUFFERING, TRIBULATION, AFFLICTION

# WHEN JESUS is REVEALED:

- 1] God's righteous judgment will be manifest
- 2] Saints who are enduring persecution and are troubled (Christians Paul was
- talking to) will be given rest at this time
- 3] He is revealed with mighty angels
- 4] He will take vengeance with flaming fire on those who do not know God AND those who do not obey
- 5] God will repay those who trouble the saints with tribulation
- 6] There will be punishment given ... everlasting destruction ... from the presence of the LORD
- 71 He will be GLORIFIED in His saints
- 8] He will be ADMIRED in that day among
- all those who believe
- 9] We will be GATHERED to Him
- 10] He will APPEAR in HEAVEN
- 11] His sign will appear in HEAVEN
- 12] All of the tribes of the EARTH will
- 13] ISRAEL will see the ONE they have pierced and MOURN
- 14] He will come on the clouds with great
- 15] He will send His angels with a great sound of a trumpet
- 16] Angels will gather his elect.. we will meet Jesus in the AIR

### 2 Thess 2:1-5

1 Now, brethren, concerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our gathering together to Him, we ask you, 2 not to be soon shaken in mind or troubled, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as if from us, as though the day of Christ had come. 3 Let no one deceive you by any means; for that Day will not come unless the falling away comes first, and the man of sin is revealed, the son of perdition, 4 who opposes and exalts himself above all that is called God or that is worshiped, so that he sits as God in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God. 5 Do you not remember that when I was still with you I told you these things?



# Matt 24:29-31

29 "Immediately after the tribulation of those days the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light; the stars will fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens will be shaken. 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. 31 And He will send His angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they will gather together His elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the

#### Matt 24:42-44

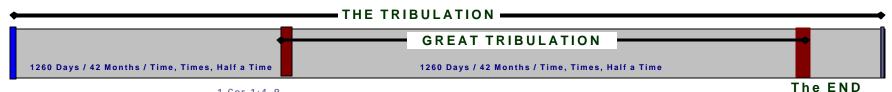
42 Watch therefore, for you do not know what hour your Lord is coming. 43 But know this, that if the master of the house had known what hour the thief would come, he would have watched and not allowed his house to be broken into. 44 Therefore you also be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.

# 1 Thess 4:15-5:3

15 For this we say to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive and remain until the coming of the Lord will by no means precede those who are asleep. 16 For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. 17 Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord. 18 Therefore comfort one another with these words. 5:1 But concerning the times and the seasons, brethren, you have no need that I should write to you. 2 For you yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so comes as a thief in the night. 3 For when they say, "Peace and safety!" then sudden destruction comes upon them, as labor pains upon a pregnant woman. And they shall not escape.

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TRAIN #4: JESUS CONFIRMS US to the END... AND PURIFIES UNTIL that DAY



1 Cor 1:4-9

I thank my God always concerning you for the grace of God which was given to you by Christ Jesus, 5 that you were enriched in everything by Him in all utterance and all knowledge, 6 even as the testimony of Christ was confirmed in you, 7 so that you come short in no gift, eagerly waiting for the revelation of our Lord Jesus Christ, 8 who will also confirm you to the end, that you may be blameless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. 9 God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

#### 1 Tim 6:11-16

11 But you, O man of God, flee these things and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, gentleness. 12 Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, to which you were also called and have confessed the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. 13 I urge you in the sight of God who gives life to all things, and before Christ Jesus who witnessed the good confession before Pontius Pilate, 14 that you keep this commandment without spot, blameless until our Lord Jesus Christ's appearing, 15 which He will manifest in His own time, He who is the blessed and only Potentate, the King of kings and Lord of lords, 16 who alone has immortality, dwelling in unapproachable light, whom no man has seen or can see, to whom be honor and everlasting power. Amen.

# Titus 2:11-15

11 For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men, 12 teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present age, 13 looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, 14 who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed and purify for Himself His own special people, zealous for good works. 15 Speak these things, exhort, and rebuke with all authority. Let no one despise you.

# 2 Tim 4:8

8 Finally, there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give to me on that Day, and not to me only but also to all who have loved His appearing.

#### 2 Tim 4:1

I charge you therefore before God and the Lord Jesus Christ, who will judge the living and the dead at His appearing and His kingdom:

# Eph 5:27

27 that He might present her to Himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but that she should be holy and without blemish

### Rev 21:1-3

2 Then I, John, saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

#### Heb 3:6

But Christ as a Son over His own house, whose house we are if we hold fast the confidence and the rejoicing of the hope firm to the end

#### Matt 24:13

But he who endures to the end shall be saved.

### 2 Cor 1:13-14

13 For we are not writing any other things to you than what you read or understand. Now I trust you will understand, even to the end 14(a also you have understood us in part), that we are your boast as you also are ours, in the day of the Lord Jesus.

### Matt 28:20

Teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen.

# Heb 3:12-15

12 Beware, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief in departing from the living God; 13 but exhort one another daily, while it is called "Today," lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin. 14 For we have become partakers of Christ i we hold the beginning of our confidence steadfast to the end, 15 while it is said: "Today, if you will hear His voice, Do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion."

# 2 Peter 3:10-18 10 But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night, in which

the heavens will pass away with a great noise, and the elements will melt with fervent heat; both the earth and the works that are in it wi be burned up. 11 Therefore, since all these things will be dissolved, what manner of persons ought you to be in holy conduct and godliness, 12 looking for and hastening the coming of the day of God because of which the heavens will be dissolved, being on fire, and the elements will melt with fervent heat? 13 Nevertheless we, accordin to His promise, look for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells. 14 Therefore, beloved, looking forward to the things, be diligent to be found by Him in peace, without spot and blameless: 15 and account that the longsuffering of our Lord is salvation -- as also our beloved brother Paul, according to the wisdo given to him, has written to you, 16 as also in all his epistles, speaking

which untaught and unstable people twist to their own destruction, they do also the rest of the Scriptures. 17 You therefore, beloved, since you know this beforehand, beware lest you also fall from you own steadfastness, being led away with the error of the wicked; 18 but grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To Him be the glory both now and forever. Amen.

in them of these things, in which are some things hard to understand