

THE JESUS FILES – PART VIb
“Philadelphia – The Missions Church”
Revelation 3:10-13

Jesus promised to keep the believers at Philadelphia from the hour of trial which will occur at some time in the future. What is this hour of trial, and in what way will Jesus keep believers from the hour of trial that is coming? The book of Revelation obviously deals with the end times, that is events that will take place in the future, and today’s teaching gives us a glimpse into the events that precede the coming of the Jesus.

#1. WHAT IS THE HOUR OF TRIAL?

A. Time of distress, Dan 12:1; Daniel’s 70th week, Dan 9:25-27; Jacob’s trouble, Jer 30:7
ANSWER: The _____, Mat 24:21, Rev 7:14, chapters 4-19

B. When is the Great Tribulation?
ANSWER: It is the last _____ of this age, Rev 12:14

C. What is the Day of the Lord?, Acts 2:20, 1 Thess 5:2
ANSWER: The day Jesus _____, Rev 19

D. What are the birth pains?, Mark 13:8
ANSWER: _____ to the catastrophic events of the tribulation period

#2. WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THE HOUR OF TRIAL / GREAT TRIBULATION?, Rev 3:10

- A. ANSWER: a world-wide _____ of people
- B. Satan unleashes his fury on believers
- C. God unleashes his wrath on a Christ-rejecting world
- D. God desires people to repent in the hour of trial, Rev. 9:20-21, 16:9-11

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#3. WHAT DID JESUS MEAN BY “I WILL KEEP YOU FROM” THE HOUR OF TRIAL?, Rev 3:10-11

- A. **VIEW 1:** I will keep you from (*ek – out of*) the hour of trial by _____ you from the earth, 1 Thess 4:13f
- B. **VIEW 2:** I will keep you from (*ek - from*) the hour of trial by _____ you through the trial, John 17:15
- C. I am coming soon (*imminent return of Jesus*)
- D. Hold on to what you have – Be a radical disciple
- E. So no one will take your crown, James 1:12, Rev 2:10

#4. THE LORD’S PROMISE – TO THE OVERCOMERS

- _____ & _____, Rev 3:12-13
- A. I will make overcomers a pillar in the Temple of My God
 - B. I will write on him the name of My God
 - C. I will write on him the name of the city of My God – the New Jerusalem
 - D. I will write on him My new name
 - E. Hear what the Spirit says to the churches

THE TIMING OF THE RAPTURE IN RELATION TO THE GREAT TRIBULATION

- A. The rapture passage, 1 Thess, 4:13f
- B. Nothing is said about the timing of the rapture in relation to the tribulation period
- C. Paul was answering the question: Are believers who have died at a disadvantage when Jesus returns?
- D. 3 Views: pre-trib, mid-trib, post-trib

ANSWERS: Great Tribulation, 7 Years, Returns, The Prelude, Testing, Removing, Preserving, Ownership, Permanency.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What is the hour of trial that is coming on the whole world? (v. 10)
2. What is the difference between “tribulation” that all believers experience and the Great Tribulation?
3. What is the difference between the “birth pains” and the Great Tribulation period?
4. Read Malachi 4:1-3 and contrast what that “day” will be like for believers and nonbelievers.
5. What are the different views on God “keeping” believers from the Great Tribulation period? (v. 10)
6. What are your thoughts on the rapture passage (1 Thess 4:13f), and how that ties into v. 10?
7. In light of the imminent return of Jesus, how should that impact the way believers live?
8. What does it mean to be an overcomer?
9. What are your thoughts on the promises to the overcomers? (vv. 12-13)
10. What is your takeaway from this passage?

Welcome

to

Hillcrest Church

Love, Acceptance & Forgiveness

Since you have kept my command to endure patiently, I will also keep you from the hour of trial that is going to come on the whole world to test the inhabitants of the earth.

Revelation 3:10

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY

Pastor Bruce will be speaking on the church at Philadelphia, as he continues his series "The Jesus Files."

THANK YOU

A big thanks to all who participated in the work day on Saturday.

ONLINE GATHERINGS

The Prayer Meeting: Tuesday at 7pm with Pastor Tim Brooks

The Bible study: Wednesday at 6:30 – 7:45pm with Pastor Bruce. Go to the online meeting room on our website (hillcrestRoseville.com) to access either gathering. If you have a need for prayer don't hesitate to call Pastor Tim Brooks at (916) 872-5207 or email: timnealbr@gmail.com

PASTOR BRUCE ON VACATION

Bruce will be gone for the next 2 Sunday's (the 15th & 22nd). He will be celebrating his 30th anniversary with Carol.

JOHN FRANK MEMORIAL SERVICE – FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13, 11am

HALLOWEEN OUTREACH – TUESDAY OCTOBER 31

We need people to donate candy for our Trunk n' Treat; we can use all the candy we can get.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Our offering box is in the back of the sanctuary. You can place your tithes and offerings there, or you can visit our website and give online (hillcrestroseville.com). Consider giving to the building fund so we can continue to upgrade our facility.

In order to replace the roof and do our electrical upgrades we had to borrow some money. Our debt is \$19,896, which we would like to eliminate ASAP. Would you prayerfully consider giving a little extra to pay off the loan so we can be debt free and avoid paying interest.

BAPTISM

If you would like to be baptized see pastor Bruce

MEMBERSHIP CLASS

If you are interested in becoming a member of Hillcrest Church please indicate your interest by signing up and we will set a date for the class.

PASTOR'S APPRECIATION MONTH

Each year, the Christian and Missionary Alliance sets aside the month of October as Pastor Appreciation Month. After a few years' hiatus, the Elders have decided to bring back this tradition in October 2023. Hillcrest is blessed to have a marvelous, energetic, high-performing pastor and we can acknowledge him through a special gift at this time of year, as is part of the custom of Appreciation Month. We will also celebrate with a reception immediately after the worship service on Sunday October 29. Thank you cards will be available at the back of the church for the congregation to write notes of appreciation, and we will present them, along with any cash/check gifts, at the October 29 reception. For those of you who use the E-gift option as your tithing/offering method, Treasurer Don Koenes is creating a special e-gift category for pastor appreciation.