

Sunday, May 31, 2020 with Mike Teel, Pastor
EASTER: *The Order of the Resurrection—The End*

FOCAL PASSAGES: **I Corinthians 15:23-25** ...*But each in turn: Christ, the firstfruits; then, when he comes, those who belong to him.* ²⁴ *Then the end will come, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father after he has destroyed all dominion, authority and power.* ²⁵ *For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet.*

UNDERSTANDING WHERE WE ARE . . .

1. RECALL THE RETURN / RAPTURE

- What must happen before Jesus returns for His Church?
- Nothing has to happen before Jesus comes for us.

2. UNDERSTANDING REVELATION

- To understand the book of Revelation, we must understand that it is divided into three parts.
- **Revelation 1:19** itemizes these parts commanded by the Lord Jesus Christ ...¹⁹ *“Write, therefore, what you have seen, what is now and what will take place later.*
- **Revelation 4:1**, John says, *After this I looked, and there before me was a door standing open in heaven. And the voice I had first heard speaking to me like a trumpet said, “Come up here, and I will show you what must take place after this.”*

THE TRIBULATION

- Why is it important to study the events of the tribulation period?

1. THE REVELATION OF THE ANTICHRIST

- **Revelations 6:2** ... *I looked, and there before me was a white horse! Its rider held a bow, and he was given a crown, and he rode out as a conqueror bent on conquest.*

2. THE _____ OF TRIBULATION EVENTS

- **Revelation 7:1** ...*After this I saw four angels standing at the four corners of the earth, holding back the four winds of the earth to prevent any wind from blowing on the land or on the sea or on any tree.*
- These plagues will occur during the first 3 1/2 years of the tribulation.
- **Revelation 6:8** ... *I looked, and there before me was a pale horse! Its rider was named Death, and Hades was following close behind him. They were given power over a fourth of the earth to kill by sword, famine and plague, and by the wild beasts of the earth.*
- Since one-fourth of the population will die, it means 1 billion 900 million. Take the population of the US and multiply it six times and that is how many people will die by sword, in famine and through pestilence and disease.

3. _____ DURING THE TRUBULATION?

A. 144,000 Jewish _____.

- **Revelations 7:4** ... *Then I heard the number of those who were sealed: 144,000 from all the tribes of Israel.*

B. God's _____ for Israel.

C. Salvation for the _____.

D. More _____ on the Tribulation Saints.

- **Revelation 7:9-14** ... ⁹ *After this I looked, and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands.* ¹⁰ *And they cried out in a loud voice: "Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb."* ¹¹ *All the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures. They fell down on their faces before the throne and worshiped God,* ¹² *saying: "Amen! Praise and glory and wisdom and thanks and honor and power and strength be to our God for ever and ever. Amen!"* ¹³ *Then one of the elders asked me, "These in white robes—who are they, and where did they come from?"* ¹⁴ *I answered, "Sir, you know." And he said, "These are they who have come out of the great tribulation; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb."*
- When we get to heaven we will all say I am so thankful I did not have to go through the tribulation time – Jesus endured our tribulation.

4. **SALVATION FOR THE _____**

- To be continued!

LIVE IT OUT

> If you are not saved now, what does it mean for you?

- You will not be raptured with the Church.
- You will go through the Tribulation period.
- You will suffer much.

> It does not make sense to me why you would want to go through all this!

> Trust Jesus today as your Savior!