The Last Day

"And this is the will of him who sent me, that I shall lose none of all that he has given me, but raise them up at the last day.

"For my Father's will is that everyone who looks to the Son and believes in him shall have eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day.

"No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him, and I will raise him up at the last day. "Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day." (John 6:39,40,44,54)

Many Christians think Jesus will come back "any day now," perhaps in the year 2000, having adopted (consciously or unconsciously) the notion of a "pre-tribulation rapture."They are convinced that God doesn't want them to suffer (in spite of Acts 14:22), so surely He will call them up to be with Him before the Great Tribulation begins. But there isn't *one thing* about a pre-tribulation "rapture" in the Bible.

"After he said this, he was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid him from their sight. They were looking intently up into the sky as he was going, when suddenly two men dressed in white stood beside them. "Men of Galilee," they said, "why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven." (Acts 1:9-11)

When will Messiah who ascended return bodily as He went? (Acts 1:9-11; 2:24-37). Messiah will come back to a people who live the way His Holy Spirit taught His people to live (2 Pet 3:11-18; Rev 19:7-8; Eph 5:27). Acts 2:44 — Now all the believers lived together and held all they had as common goods to be shared by one another (1 Jn 3:14,16,17-24). They were *saved from* this crooked age (Acts 2:40) of living for self.

2 Ths 2:1-2 — So when will this same Yahshua who was taken up into heaven come back in like manner as the apostles saw Him go into heaven? (Acts 1:11). The answer: 1 Ths 4:14-17. And this will happen on the LAST DAY of this age, *after* the tribulation period (Mt 24:29-31). Jn 6:39,40,44,54 — *The LAST DAY* our Master spoke of was the SAME DAY that He brings and end to this wicked and perverse generation (2 Ths 1:4-10). Rev 12:6 — It will be the LAST DAY of the 1260 days the bride of Messiah is in the wilderness (Mt 24:39-41; Lk 17:26-37).

So the LAST DAY is *immediately after* the seven-year tribulation (1 Ths 5:1-11). 2 Ths 2:1-3 — It comes *after* the great revolt against the Man of Lawlessness when it is revealed as to who he really is (2 Ths 2:1-12). The secret as to when Messiah will return is 2 Ths 1:6-10. He will return for His Elect in Rev 17:14 *at the same time* that He takes vengeance on those who *persecute* His Elect, and this is on the *L AST DAY*. Rev 17:14 and 19:11-21 is on the *LAST DAY* (Jn 6:39,40,44,54).

So this, of course, exposes the "Doctrine of Demons" about a pre-tribulation rapture, as Mt 24:29-31 gives *explic it* revelation, as well as what 2 Ths 1:4-10 reveals for the Elect (Mt 24:22-24). Even the Elect would be deceived, if it were possible, but they are not deceived because they are crying out to Him night and day (Lk 18:7-8). That is who "the Elect" are anyway — those who are crying out to Him night and day, those who eagerly await Him (Rom 8:23; 1 Cor 1:7-8; Phil 3:20-21; Heb 9:28).

Messiah, in Jn 6:39,40,44,54, says that on the LAST DAY the dead will be raised. 1 Ths 4:16-17 — This is the "rapture." 2 Ths 1:6-9 — This is the second coming of Messiah for His Elect, and it is at the very same time when He pours out judgment on the ones who refuse to know the God of the Elect, and do not obey their gospel. So this could not be seven years before, but at the same time as Messiah said Mt 24:31. This is *after* the tribulation, on the LAST DAY. Do you believe Messiah? (Jn 6:54,44,40,39; Rev 12:6; 17:14).

So when will He return? Surely not until Mt 28:18-20 is fulfilled, not until Mt 24:14 or 21:43 or Dan 2:44 or Isa 49:6 or Acts 13:47, or what about Rev 19:7-8? He will come back for a people *perfectly prepared* for Him (Lk 1:17).

In the first community, the apostles were told that it wasn't any of their business to know the times and dates of His return. They were thinking that He would return in their lifetime and set up His earthly kingdom. They did

not understand Dan 2:44 as it related to Dan 7:24 and Rev 17:3,7,12 concerning the ten kings (Rev 17:2,16). 1 Cor 15:52 — How many trumpets will there be after th*dast* trumpet? (Rev 8:2,6; 11:15-18).