

# Matthew 24 Part 3

“Where the carcass is...”

## The Anticipated Event: The Rapture

“Where the Carcass Is...”: Light, Judgment, and the Coming of our Melkhitzedek High Priest

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⟨‘Where the **carcass** (ptōma, πτῶμα; Heb. Pe’ger, פֶּגֶר) is...’⟩ Let us investigate this Hebrew term, Pe’ger. In the Hebrew Etymological Dictionary page 493, this Hebrew term has several meanings: *to lag behind, to be inactive, to die (the process of dying), \*corpse, carcass, dead thing, to be exhausted and fatigued.*

**Corporation:** The first legal reference to **corporations** was in 2083 B.C. It was under the code of Hammurabi which was the law in the Mesopotamian part of Asia Minor. Roman Civil law brought about the development of various corporations. They were 1) Religious Sodalitas (fraternities), 2) Governmental Municipants, and 3) Secret Societies. During the time of the Roman Empire, the concept arose that a corporation could only come into existence by the creative touch of the sovereign. In the early 13th century, Pope Innocent IV developed the concept of a corporation as a "**persona ficta**" a **FICTITIOUS PERSON**, or Artificial PERSON.

This means a fictitious person, or an artificial person that was created and controlled by papal authority. This led to the legal separation of the corporation (an artificial person), from a natural person - a human. The word "**corp**" means "**body**". This also leads to the fact that you cannot use every day English language when you are talking about something that is "legal". A word in "legal" terms, means something different than the same word means in normal language." The word "legal" itself means "fiction".

In everyday language, you and I are persons. That is not the case in law". A legal dictionary says that a "person" is a "corporation," a "partnership", i.e. an artificial, legal public entity."

So, when we investigate this term ‘carcass’, we discover that the branches and roots to this run very deep into history while the modern time we live has bore the forbidden fruit to this deception through the adhesion contracts placed upon the masses.

Now, at the time Yahshua was speaking on this, this referenced those who would be taken away to destruction. Having said that, this also refers to many other tentacles that latched on to everyone unaware. How, might you ask? Through adhesion contracts! This is how the BEAST system will claim most people, and this has been happening for centuries!

# The Anticipated Event: The Pre-Rapture

**“Where the Carcass Is...”**: Light, Judgment, and the Coming of our Melkhitzedek High Priest

Among Bible-believing communities, one of the most expected and hotly anticipated events of discussion is the Rapture, especially as of recent with this alleged September 23, 24-25 PRETRIB RAPTURE event that will disappoint many. Yet the pressing question remains: When does this truly take place—and does it even happen at all?

⟨The very verb “rapture” is tied to **Latin rapiō**, **Greek harpazō** (ἁρπάζω; Heb. La’qach, לָקַח)⟩

We must anchor ourselves in this truth: Scripture interprets Scripture—not men. If we bind ourselves to the doctrines of a denomination or the convictions of a single teacher, we run the risk of stumbling into the snare of empty hope. Such misplaced reliance can bring devastating consequences, for the Scriptures warn us of this very danger. We must look up, for our Redemption draws close!

# The Prophetic Weight of Yahshua's Phrase

During His Olivet Discourse—spoken on the Mount of Olives only days before the crucifixion—Yahshua sketched the sweeping contours of the end of the age. In rapid succession He (1) predicted world-wide turmoil, (2) warned of rampant religious deception, and (3) promised His own glorious return. Nestled in that prophetic panorama are two deliberately paired statements:

1. “Wherever the carcass is, there the eagles (or vultures) will be gathered together.”  
(Matt. 24:28; Luke 17:37)
2. “For just as lightning comes from the east and flashes to the west, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be.”  
(Matt. 24:27)

## How the two lines work together

### A. Immediate context—warnings against deception (Matt. 24:23-26)

- False messiahs and false prophets will stage “secret” appearances (“Look, He is in the wilderness ... in the inner rooms”).
- These staged revelations will be localized, obscure, or accessible only to insiders—exactly the opposite, Yahshua insists, of His own return.

### B. The proverb of the eagles (vultures) and the carcass

- Picture: carrion birds relentlessly find a dead body; you do not need anyone to point it out.
- Meaning: when the moral and spiritual “death” of an age reaches its climax, judgment is as inevitable—and as obvious—as vultures circling overhead. Right now, the vultures are symbolized by the elite flesh eating ones in the darkness. These will be overtaken unaware!
- Secondary nuances offered by commentators:
  - The “eagles” may symbolize divine agents of judgment (cf. Rev. 19:17-18).
  - They may foreshadow Rome’s eagle-crested legions that would later descend on Jerusalem (A.D. 70) and unfold in a more profound way in this 21<sup>st</sup> century.

– Or, more broadly, they depict how deceivers flock to spiritual decay. Regardless of which nuance one favors, the image underscores inevitability and visibility.

C. The lightning analogy—Yahshua’s true appearing (v. 27)

- Lightning rips the sky from horizon to horizon, filling the whole heavens with brilliance.
- It is universally visible, public, and unmistakable—no need for whispered rumors or “inside information.”
- Thus, whereas false christs will rely on secrecy and limited audiences, the real Messiah will return in a way no one on earth can miss.

### **Here is the practical take-away for end-time disciples**

- 1. Discernment:** Do not chase sensational claims or private revelations regarding Messiah’s whereabouts.
- 2. Confidence:** Divine judgment on a spiritually “dead” CORPORATE world is certain and will be manifest without the help of anyone.
- 3. Expectation:** The genuine return of the Son of Man will be as sudden, brilliant, and worldwide as a flash of lightning—inviting vigilance, expectancy not anxiety.

In short, the “carcass and eagles” proverb amplifies Yahshua’s warning about deception, while the “lightning” analogy guarantees that His own advent will be unmistakably public, rendering all counterfeit, clandestine claims obsolete.

**The carcass** = the spiritually dead system of the world (Babylon, rebellious kingdoms, apostate religions, the American so called prophets of today, not all, but most of them). Carcass is the DEAD ENTITY, the DECEDENT, THE PERSON, THE BIRTH CERTIFICATE, that ALL CAPS PICTURE, not word, fictitious ENTITY. This carcass reference will include those who have been contracted into this Mystery Babylon. This is why we must COME OUT OF HER MY PEOPLE! This begins with the acknowledgment that we have been lied to and deceived by Satan itself!

The eagles/vultures = Yah’s agents of judgment (angelic hosts, decrees of heaven).

This imagery comes from TaNaKH judgment texts (Ezek. 39:17–20; Rev. 19:17–18).

This is not the snatching away of the righteous, but the **devouring** of the wicked. The carcass is what is left when life is gone—those cut off from the Breath of Elohim.



## There will be the Shofar of Awakening

There is coming a day when the most thunderous sound from the Highest Heavens will resound—a sound carried by the golden-sapphire Shofar of an Archangel. This blast will shake the very fabric of creation and suspend time itself. Only those in Mashiach will hear it. Its resonance will be so powerful that even the graves will surrender their dead—the faithful in Messiah Yahshua rising at its call.

This is no ordinary sound. Hidden within the very Hebrew word for Shofar (שֹׁפָר) lies a mystery of life and death. The numerical value of Shofar is 580. By divine design, this matches the value of the dreaded phrase: “**The Valley of the Shadow of Death**”—גֵּי צֶלְמָוֶת (Gei Tzal’mavet)—also 580.

Thus, the Awakening Blast of the Last Trump, as Paul testifies in Thessalonians, will not merely summon the faithful; it will disavow, crush, and overthrow the Valley of the Shadow of Death’s claim itself. Life swallows death in one victorious sound.

🔴 1Co 15:50 I tell you this, brothers: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the incorruptibility. 1Co 15:51 Behold! I tell you a mystery. We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, 1Co 15:52 in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed. 1Co 15:53 For this perishable body must put on the imperishable, and this mortal body must put on immortality. 1Co 15:54 When the perishable puts on the imperishable, and the mortal puts on immortality, then shall come to pass the saying that is written: “**Death is swallowed up in victory.**” 1Co 15:55 “O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?”

## The Words of Messiah

Let us hear the voice of our Master, Yahshua, who spoke of these very signs:

Luke 21:25–28  
“And there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon the earth distress of nations, with bewilderment; the sea and the waves roaring. Men’s hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth: for the powers of heaven shall be shaken. And then shall they see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draws near.”

# The Pre-Trib Rapture: Scripturally and Historically False

## a. Scriptural Debunking

- Matthew 24:29–31: “Immediately after the tribulation... He will send His angels... and they will gather His elect.” → Gathering comes after the Tribulation, not before.
- 2 Thessalonians 2:1–3: “That Day will not come unless the falling away comes first, and the man of sin is revealed.” → The elect must endure the rise of Antichrist and Beast System before the gathering together.
- Revelation 7 & 14: Saints endure tribulation, are sealed, and overcome. **No** “escape clause.”
- John 16:33: “In the world you will have tribulation.” Yahshua didn’t promise removal, but victory in Him.

## b. Historical Reality

- For 1,800 years the early believers, church fathers, and faithful assemblies taught that tribulation precedes Messiah’s return.
- The Pre-Trib doctrine arose only in the 1830s via John Nelson Darby as a dream a young lady had and was spread by the Scofield Reference Bible (1909).
- It is an innovation, not the faith once delivered to the saints (Jude 3).

Therefore, Yahshua’s reference to the “carcass” prophetically unmasks escapist doctrines: whoever clings to false teaching becomes like that carcass—lifeless, judged, deceived, and enslaved.

# “Where the Carcass Is”: Yahshua’s Verdict on the Pre-Trib Myth

Matthew 24:28 — “For wherever the carcass is, there the eagles will be gathered.”

The sentence falls like a hammer: terse, stark, unforgettable. Yahshua is not painting a pastoral scene; He is describing the inevitability of judgment. A carcass does not announce its location—the smell does. Vultures simply appear, summoned by the stench of death. In the same way, the Day of YHWH will not be advertised by a secret evacuation of the righteous. It will be self-evident, undeniable, global. The “gathering of eagles” is a public spectacle, not a hidden whisking-away.

Paul’s echo in 1 Thessalonians 5 sharpens the point:

5:2 “The Day of YHWH comes **as a thief in the night.**” The phrase “As a thief in the night” translates to Hebrew as כָּאֵיגַן בְּאַלְתָּה (ka'eigan be'al'ta). This idiom is often used to describe an unexpected and sudden event, similar to how a thief enters a house without warning.

5:3 “When they are saying, ‘Peace and safety!’—sudden destruction comes.”

5:4 “But you, brothers, are **not in darkness**, that **the Day** should overtake you like a thief.”

5:5-7 “You are sons of light... therefore watch and stay sober.”

When we investigate the Ancient culture of the time, we discover that ‘The Day’ is in reference to the Day of Judgment which would be the Day of Atonement according to the Appointed Times.

Notice the rhythm: EXPECTATION (“Peace and safety!”), SHOCK (“sudden destruction”), DISTINCTION (children of light versus sleepers in the dark). Paul demolishes the idea of a pain-free, pre-crisis extraction. The Ekklesia’s calling is not escapism but **vigilance**.

~ The carcass = a putrefying world order, swollen with arrogance and unbelief.

~ The eagles = the executors of divine justice—whether angelic hosts or the inescapable consequences of collective sin.

~ The watchful saints = people of the Light, eyes wide open, refusing the lullaby of “Peace and safety.”

Pre-Trib theory reverses the polarity. It promises light-dwellers a stealth exit and leaves darkness to unfold unchallenged and the “Jews” left behind to suffer. This couldn’t be further from the truth! Yahshua and Paul say precisely the opposite: light pierces the darkness; it does not flee from it. The faithful remain on duty, lampstands trimmed, until the sky itself splits.

The thief-in-the-night motif is no comfort to the complacent. It is a war-cry to the alert. Midnight, if I can use this term, is when sentries lean on their spears; it is also when heroes earn their names. To “watch and be sober” is to patrol the ramparts of a collapsing civilization with hope in one hand and truth in the other.

So, Matthew’s carrion image and Paul’s midnight thief are twin spotlights exposing the same illusion: that YHWH will spirit away His people before history’s last convulsion. Scripture pictures no secret rehearsal, no cosmic escape hatch—only the sudden convergence of judgment and redemption in one visible, universe-shaking event.

Therefore, let the Church/Ekklesia/Qahal abandon the lullaby of an early departure. Let her instead become what she was always meant to be: a lighthouse in the storm, a city on a hill, a company of wide-awake sentinels whose very presence testifies that the Judge is at the door and that mercy is still available—until the vultures circle and the carcass is found.

## **The Context: A Dead Thing Attracts the Gathering**

When Yahshua speaks of “the carcass” (ptōma, G4430 — a fallen, lifeless body), He is not painting a picture of a joyful, secret evacuation of saints into the clouds. This is corpse imagery, not bridal imagery. In Hebraic prophetic language, carcasses represent the aftermath of judgment, defeat, or divine exposure (Ezekiel 39:17–20; Revelation 19:17–18).

**Carcass = Darkness:**

- ~ Spiritually dead, cut off from Messiah's life.
- ~ Awaiting judgment, and consumed by eagles (Rev. 19:17–18).
- ~ Those deceived by false messiahs, false security, and false raptures.
- ~ Those in contractual agreement with this COMMERCIAL world of DEAD ENTITIES!

Living in the Light = Sons of Day:

- ~ Paul writes: “But you, brethren, are not in darkness so that this Day should overtake you as a thief... You are all sons of light and sons of the day.” (1 Thess. 5:4–5).
- ~ Those walking in Messiah are awake, sober, equipped, and ready. You CAN'T be drunk with the wine of Babylon!
- ~ They are gathered upward to meet the King openly, not secretly.

The divide is absolute: carcass or covenant, darkness or light, prey for judgment or bride for the Bridegroom. Before we delve into the Rapture itself, remember this:



# The Superiority of the Melkhitzedek High Priest

- Hebrews 9:11–12: Unlike Levitical priests, Yahshua entered once for all into the heavenly sanctuary with His own blood.
- Hebrews 9:28: He comes a **second** time, not to deal with sin again, but “for salvation to those who eagerly wait for Him.”
- Psalm 110:4: “You are a priest forever after the order of Melkhitzedek.”

The Pre-Trib rapture dishonors this reality, making Him appear as a thief sneaking away His own. The true picture:

- First Coming: He appeared as the Lamb to atone and make His claim to this earth through Title Deed that we see Messiah Yashua’s authority to break the Seals of Revelation 5.
- Second Coming: He returns as King-Priest to judge the carcass of rebellion and deliver the faithful. His once-for-all sacrifice guarantees that those in the Light are preserved, while Babylon’s carcass lies under judgment.

# **The Rapture – Seven Competing Views**

Through the centuries, scholars, teachers, and entire denominations have debated the mystery of the “Rapture.” What emerges is not a single voice, but seven distinct views. Each claims to unravel the timing and meaning of this prophetic event.

## **1. The Preterist View**

This position holds that most prophecy—including the Rapture—was already fulfilled in 70 C.E. during Passover season. The destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem marks, for the Preterist, the climax of Yah’s prophetic calendar concerning Israel.

## **2. The Partial View**

Here, the Rapture does not occur as a single event. Instead, it unfolds in multiple stages throughout the seven-year Tribulation—a staggered series of catching away moments.

### **3. Pan-Tribulation**

This perspective is less precise. With no clear timeline or scriptural markers, some believe it “will all just pan out in the end.” While lacking evidence, it continues to circulate among believers.

### **4. The Pre-Tribulation View**

Among contemporary Christians, the scenario most often taught is the “pre-Tribulation Rapture”—the belief that Christ removes His church before the seven-year Tribulation unfolds. Advocates sometimes synchronize this moment with the first visible “sliver moon,” arguing that biblical days might begin at sunset rather than sunrise; thus, the exact crescent that inaugurates a new month could mark the very instant the church is caught away.

A growing minority, however, pushes back, insisting the Rapture will not hinge on lunar visibility at all but on the prophetic 360-day cycle found in Daniel and Revelation. In their view, every major end-time milestone slots into an unbroken, perfect calendar of twelve 30-day months—meaning the Rapture, the Abomination of Desolation, and the Second Coming each fall on mathematically predetermined dates, independent of terrestrial time-keeping or sighting the new moon.

If this tighter 360-day timetable is correct, the Tribulation will feature a hastily constructed, thoroughly man-made Third Temple. Scripture's Shekinah—the manifest Divine Presence that once filled Solomon's Temple—will be conspicuously absent. In its place, many prophecy students anticipate an integrated “Digital Mark of the Beast” network: biometric ID, cashless commerce, and real-time surveillance tethered directly to temple worship, effectively merging the sacred and the cybernetic.

Amid these events, an Antichrist figure is expected to emerge, often depicted as a “Nimrod reborn” or a resurrected Nero. The cryptic number 666 provides the textual bridge: in first-century Greek gematria, “Nero Caesar” totals precisely 666, and in Hebrew this title is also 666. Intriguingly, the same numerical value has been calculated for the Hebrew styling of President Donald Trump's son-in-law, Jared **Kushner**—a coincidence that fuels even more speculation about his possible future role.

Whether one favors the sliver-moon signal, the uncompromising 360-day Covenant Calendar schedule, one thing is clear: the prophetic picture is tightening, the symbolism is multiplying, and the stakes—for believers and skeptics alike—are getting very interesting indeed.

Importantly, this view separates the Rapture of the Church from the Second Coming of Yahshua HaMashiach. The first phase, they say, is when the Church meets Him in the air:

“For the Master Himself will descend from the heavens with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the shofar of Elohim. The dead in Messiah shall rise first, then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up (harpazo) together with them in the clouds to meet the Master in the air. And so, we shall always be with the Master.” — 1 Thessalonians 4:16–18

The very language here points to Appointed Times (Moedim). Yet, despite tradition, there is not one verse declaring that believers go to Heaven with Him. Did you hear that? Not one! This common teaching—that we are “raptured to Heaven” and later return with Him—is never written in Scripture and was NEVER taught by any writer of the Scriptures. This wasn’t a thing until 200+ years ago.

Religious Jews often called Gentiles “dogs.” Thus, not “all dogs” (all nations) go to Heaven, and neither do His Called-Out People (Ekklesia). Instead, the Kingdom is brought here to Earth.

Some insist: “But if Yahshua the Melkhitzedek is in Heaven, surely we will be there too!” Yet the text itself does not say that. To be “caught up in the clouds” is wedding language—a veil scene of covenantal union. The timing is bound to an appointed season, but the verse never specifies when. It is this Pre-Tribulation view that we will probe more deeply.

## 5. The Mid-Tribulation View

This interpretation places the Rapture at the midpoint of the Tribulation—3.5 years in—right before the Great Tribulation commences. Supporters cite Romans 5:9:

“Much more then, being now justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him.” They reason that the faithful must be removed before wrath falls.

Yet, the Book of Revelation itself holds the true key. Its very structure mirrors the Temple service (Avodah)—as seen in Solomon’s Temple, not the corrupt Second Temple, later branded a “Harlot on a Hill” in Ezekiel’s writings. Once this Hebraic pattern is grasped, the enigma of Revelation is unveiled, and both Pre-Trib and Mid-Trib positions collapse under the weight of Scriptural cycles.

For make no mistake: our Scriptures are 100% Hebraic in thought and originated in the ANE protocols, not the Western ideologies pushed upon the masses in Bible College. The Roman Empire injected a linear, Greek-influenced mindset that birthed dispensational schemes and timeline charts. But Yah’s mind is cyclical, covenantal, eternal. To think linearly is to risk missing the revelation set in motion from the very beginning.

## 6. The Pre-Wrath View

This perspective ties the Rapture to the opening of the sixth seal (Revelation 6:12)—believed by some to occur on a **full moon**. This is another facet why Calendar truth is VITAL! Imagine having the incorrect schedule for the most important Others connect it to the moment the man of sin is revealed, seated upon the Bema Seat of a Third Temple (which Ezekiel never envisioned, despite popular misreadings).

Supporters point to Matthew 24, Mark 13, Luke 21, and Revelation 6, paired with 1 Thessalonians 5:9:

“For Elohim has not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Master Yahshua the Messiah.”

Thus, they argue, the faithful are caught away before divine wrath is poured out.



# **The Third Temple: A Counterfeit Construct**

The so-called Third Temple, heralded by men and fashioned with hands of clay, will not serve as a sanctuary for the Shekinah—the indwelling Presence of Yah. Instead, it will rise as a monument of rebellion, a structure already compromised from its very foundation, tainted with idolatrous blueprints long before its stones were laid. The Presence of the Most High cannot and will not dwell there. From the inside out, its construction bears the mark of corruption, and its unveiling will testify not of divine glory but of human presumption.

# **The Web of Deception**

Entwined with this false temple system is one of the most pervasive snares of modern religion: the Pre-Tribulation Rapture Doctrine. This deception, along with three other categories I will soon unveil, is designed with surgical precision to ensnare the nations.

This doctrine whispers the promise of escape, yet it is the very net cast to deceive—if possible—even the elect. Notice the weight of that word: if. If those sealed in truth can nearly be drawn into deception, what hope remains for the multitudes rushing headlong into the broad road of escapism? The lie of a painless departure dulls the edge of vigilance, lulls watchmen to sleep, and leaves the Bride drowsy at the threshold of midnight.

# **Rabbinic and Ecclesiastical Blindness**

The intoxicating power of Dispensational teaching has spread like leaven through both synagogue and church. Even some of the most learned rabbis—guardians of memory—brush aside the monumental, demonstrative event that shook the heavens forty years before the destruction of the Harlot on the Hill. This event, a seismic shift in the heavenly order, is conveniently ignored, even though rabbinic tradition still clings desperately to the ruins of the Second Temple era.

And the Church, tragically, has proven no different. It has bartered away the eternal cycles of Yah for the linear inventions of men. In place of Yah's righteous appointments, it has accepted counterfeit calendars and denominational fences, chalking fragile lines in the sand where His eternal covenant once thundered. Both rabbinic and ecclesiastical houses stand blinded, stumbling in step with one another, led not by the Spirit of Truth but by the dispensations of men.

# The Root of Dispensation

Let us pierce deeper. Have we paused to examine the root of the word “Dispensation”? Hidden within its syllables is a revelation of the enemy’s scheme.

- **DIS** — to separate, to detach, to cut off from the original source.
- **PEN** — the autograph and living seal, the very mark of life, a divine imprint, not a casual signature.
- **SATION** — from satiate, to be filled, completed, satisfied, made whole.

When pieced together, the true confession of Dispensationalism is unveiled: “I separate myself from the Seal of the Mark of Life, from the Wholeness that alone satisfies the soul.” This is no harmless theological system—it is an assault on covenantal wholeness. Dispensationalism is the enemy’s calculated attempt to detach man’s soul from the Shalom of the King, that eternal rest sealed by His covenantal mark, revealed in His unending cycles. For prophecy is never linear. It is never discarded. It unfolds in layers, returns in cycles, spirals through appointed times and finds its fulfillment at the feet of the Word made flesh. Everything in Yah’s design beats with the rhythm of cycles—never the jagged lines of dispensations!

# The Misuse of “Dispensation” in the New Testament

Some may quickly protest: “But the word dispensation appears in the New Testament!” Indeed, it does—four times, along with six others as “steward” or “stewardship.” Let us name them clearly:

- 1 Corinthians 9:17
- Ephesians 1:10
- Ephesians 3:2
- Colossians 1:25

But here lies the critical error: in the hands of Dispensational teaching, the word is twisted into something Yah never intended. For the Dispensationalist, a “dispensation” is defined as something temporary, bound for disposal, something done away with—linear.

Yet if we force this definition into Paul’s inspired writings, what distortion unfolds? The very stewardship entrusted by Yah becomes something discarded, the fullness of Messiah’s administration reduced to fragments, the cycles of covenant severed as though Yah Himself were inconsistent. In truth, these passages speak not of eras abolished but of the faithful administration of covenant mysteries—the stewardship of Divine purpose revealed in Messiah and entrusted to His emissaries—the kings and priests after the Order of Melkhitzedek.

Thus, the counterfeit temple, the snare of escapist doctrine, and the mutilation of Yah's eternal cycles converge into a single deception. It blinds the synagogue. It ensnares the church. It severs man from the Seal of Life. And yet, for those with ears to hear, the Spirit cries out: *“Prophecy is not discarded, it is cyclical; covenant is not fragmented, it is eternal; and the true Temple is not made with hands but fashioned in the heavens where the Melkhitzedek reigns forever.”*

~ 1Co 9:17 For if I do this thing willingly, I have a reward; but if against my will, I am entrusted with a **stewardship**. (What about the Great Commission/Common-Mission in Matthew 28?!)

~ Eph 1:10 for an administration of the fullness of times, to head up all things in Messiah, both the things in Heaven, and the things on earth, *even* in Him,

~ Eph 3:2 if you have heard of the **dispensation** of the grace of God which is given to me toward you,

~ \*\*Col 1:25 of which I became a **minister**, according to the administration of God given to me for you, to fulfill the Word of God;

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### **Key Insight:**

If the Pre-Trib Rapture were true, this verse would be wildly out of place in a so-called “secret coming.” Instead, it fits perfectly within the public, apocalyptic, Post-Trib return of Yahshua, where the world is judged openly, and the ungodly become as refuse under the feet of the righteous (Malachi 4:3).

### **2. The Eagles/Vultures: Divine Cleanup Crews, Not Heavenly Escorts**

The “eagles” (aetoi, G105) here are **not the saints flying away** — they are the scavenger birds of judgment day. This phrase echoes Job 39:27–30 where eagles are drawn to blood and **corpses**, and Revelation 19:17–18 where an angel summons “**the birds that fly in midheaven**” to feast on the flesh of kings, captains, and mighty men.

## Why This Crushes the Pre-Trib View:

- If Yahshua's intent was to depict the saints being gathered to Himself, He would not use predatory birds circling a dead body as the imagery.
- This is the same prophetic “supper of YHWH” seen at Armageddon — an event at the end of the Tribulation, not before it. This is known as Imperial Language of the ANE. When a feast was given, it was because of a VICTORY.

## Daniel's Sealed Clock

- ~ Dan 12:1—“There shall be a time of trouble such as never was.” (Yahshua quotes this in Matt 24:21.)
- ~ Dan 12:2—Many who sleep resurrect AFTER that trouble, tying resurrection to the tribulation's close.
- ~ Dan 12:7—“it shall be for a time, times, and half a time ... and when the shattering of the power of the holy people comes to an end, all these things shall be finished.”



### 3. The Flow of Matthew 24

To misinterpret verse 28, you have to ignore the structure Yahshua gave:

- Matthew 24:21–22 — The “Great Tribulation” happens **first**.
- Matthew 24:29 — “Immediately **after** the tribulation... the Son of Man appears.”
- Matthew 24:30–31 — **Then** the angels gather the elect.

If the gathering of the elect happens after the tribulation, the pre-tribulation rapture collapses instantly.

### 4. Other Scriptures that Tear the Mask Off the Pre-Trib Illusion

#### A. 2 Thessalonians 2:1–4

Paul ties “the coming of our Lord Yahshua and our gathering to Him” directly to the revealing of the man of lawlessness — which happens in the Tribulation, not before it. He even warns: “Let no one deceive you in any way.”

If a Pre-Trib Rapture were a real prophetic event, this warning would be nonsensical.

#### B. Revelation 20:4–6

The “first resurrection” — the one in which the saints reign with Messiah — takes place **after** the Beast is destroyed, which is after the Tribulation. There is no earlier resurrection for a secret escape.

### C. John 17:15

Yahshua prayed: “I do not ask that You take them out of the world, but that You keep them from the evil one.”

Messiah’s prayer directly contradicts the escapist idea of removing the saints before trouble. Protection in the storm, not removal from the earth, is His way.

### D. Daniel 7:21–22

The horn (antichrist) makes war with the saints until the Ancient of Days comes. Victory is granted after the saints have **endured** the Tribulation — not before.

### 5. The Carcass and the Counterfeit Gathering

This “carcass” is not just the physical aftermath of battle — it’s the prophetic corpse of false religion and empire at the end of the age. Revelation 18 portrays Mystery Babylon’s fall, and Revelation 19 shows the birds gathering.

## **Prophetic Connection:**

- The false Pre-Trib teaching itself lulls many into alignment with the “synagogue of Satan” (Rev 3:9) and its Third Temple ambitions.
- When the Beast system reaches full bloom, the world will gather — not for a wedding supper, but for a slaughter.

### **6. The Melkhitzedek Perspective**

Under the eternal Melkhitzedek Order, the elect are not called to avoid the trial but to testify in it. Just as Yahshua stood before Pilate and the Sanhedrin, so the end-time priesthood will stand before the Beast and his councils, bearing witness of the Kingdom until the skies split and the true King appears.

The Pre-Trib doctrine strips the priesthood of its assignment, selling them an escape hatch instead of a throne.

### **7. The Final Blow to the Pre-Trib Myth**

Matthew 24:28 is Yahshua’s visual mic drop:

When He comes, the world will be a battlefield, the wicked will be the carcass, and the “eagles” will execute divine cleanup. The elect are gathered after this, not before.

If you're looking for an escape before the storm, you'll be spiritually unprepared when the wind starts howling. But if you are anchored in the Melkhitzedek covenant, you'll stand in the storm — and inherit the Kingdom on the other side.

Revelation 2:10 — “Be faithful unto death, and I will give you the crown of life.”  
Not faithful until evacuation, but faithful until victory. That's the Kingdom pattern.

1. Tribulation Comes (Matt. 24:21) – deception, persecution, great distress.
2. The Sign of the Son of Man Appears (Matt. 24:30) – cosmic, visible.
3. Angelic Reapers Sent Forth (Matt. 24:31; Rev. 14:15–16) – two gatherings occur:

- ☛ The righteous, harvested into the Kingdom.
- ☛ The wicked, harvested for judgment (the carcass).

1. The Supper of the Great Elohim (Rev. 19:17–18) – the eagles feast upon the dead carcass of rebellion.

The difference is not a hidden “escape,” but whether one belongs to the Light or to the carcass of death.

## 5. Pounding the Nail: The Final Insight

- Yahshua's phrase destroys the Pre-Trib illusion: no secret snatching, no escape before tribulation. Instead—judgment upon the spiritually dead carcass.
- The elect endure, shining in the Light of Messiah, gathered after tribulation by decree of heaven.
- The Melkhitzedek Priest-King returns visibly, gloriously, judicially—His second appearance is for salvation to His covenant people, not wrath upon them.
- The great divide is set: carcass or covenant, death or Light, Babylon's ruin or Zion's glory.

“Where the carcass is...” is Yahshua's prophetic rebuke of all false hopes of escape and a warning of open, cosmic judgment upon the spiritually dead. The Pre-Trib doctrine falls under the weight of Scripture and history, for the true elect are gathered after tribulation. Our hope is not in escape but in endurance under the covering of our Melkhitzedek High Priest, who comes the second time—not to deal with sin again, but to bring full salvation to those walking in His Light. His coming will separate carcass from covenant, darkness from Light, forever.

# In closing:

Beloved, let this eternal truth resound like thunder in your bones: Messiah never promised His Bride a secret evacuation, but an unbreakable, invincible communion. From Eden's exile to the Crucifixion, from the catacombs to the persecuted saints of this very hour, the prophetic unveiling has never been one of cowardly flight but of courageous fidelity; never of disappearance, but of radiant testimony in the face of tribulation. The lionhearted apostles did not confuse affliction with abandonment—they proclaimed it a holy furnace, where ordinary men and women are forged into living lanterns of glory.

Therefore, cast aside every counterfeit passport stamped *Pre-Trib*. We are not fugitives of wrath, but royal ambassadors of reconciliation—stationed on the collision line where the ruins of a dying world crash against the advancing Kingdom of our Elohim. When the ground quakes and the heavens shake, we shall not be absent—we shall be advancing, victory hymns flaming from our lips, hope blazing from our eyes, proving before all creation that the Good News of Yahshua is worth more than ease, more than safety, more than breath itself.

So, steel your spirit. Gird your armor. Let your love erupt volcanic, your prayers thunder like storms, your testimony blaze unquenchable. Feed the hungry, heal the broken, confront the powers of corruption, and proclaim—by your words, your wounds, and your unwavering witness—that Yahshua is the one true Adonai of masters. Every act of sacrificial obedience becomes a living prophecy, announcing to the principalities and powers: ***Your dominion is crumbling, your hour is short!!***

And when at last the heavens split like a torn curtain, when the trumpet of Elohim halts history's final heartbeat and the King of Glory steps forth unveiled in uncontainable majesty and matchless unapproachable Light—may He find us not shrinking, but shining; not cowering, but conquering; drenched in the sweat of the harvest, swords of truth unsheathed, hearts burning like coals of fire. Then the uproar of Heaven will overwhelm every counterfeit story, and the eternal voice will thunder: *“Behold, the tabernacle of Elohim is with man, and He shall wipe away every tear.”*

This is our unstealable inheritance, our unquenchable song, our eternally inscribed destiny. Embrace it, embody it, and you will never—for all ages without end—forget it. We will see you when he returns!

Shabbat Shalom,

~ shepherd John-James September 2025