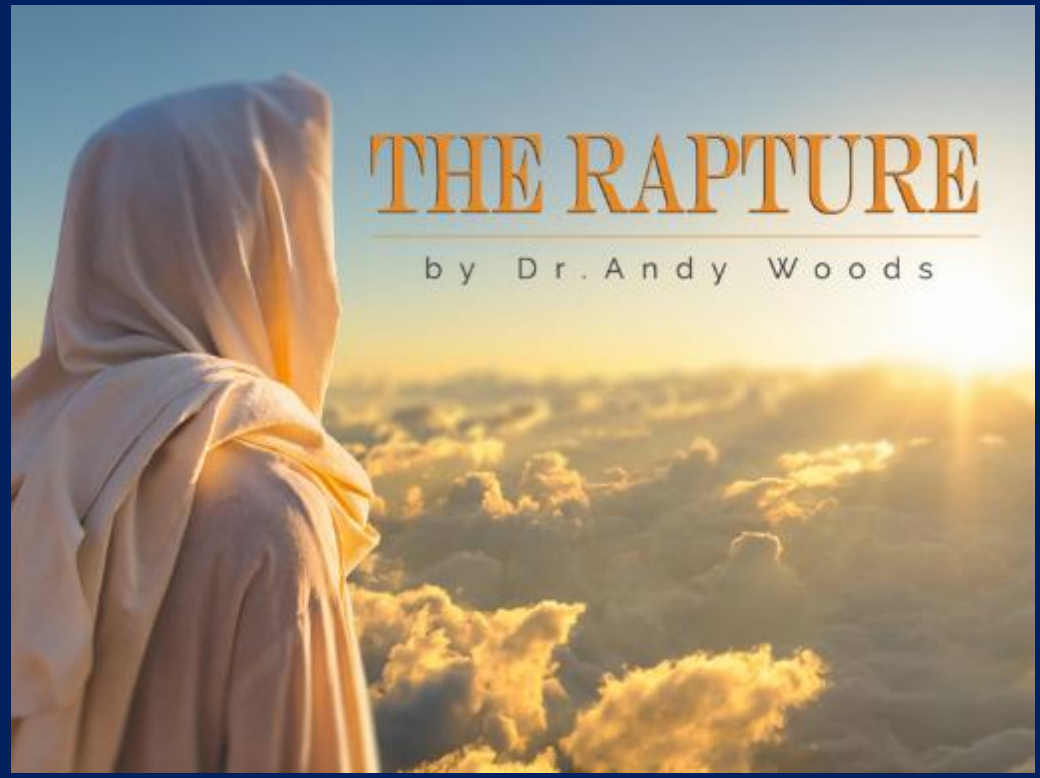
THE RAPTURE

What and When? – Part 65





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Course Overview



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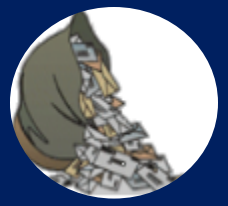
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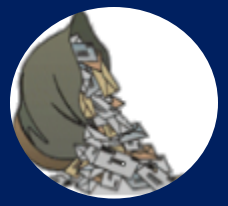




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"7 SIGNS" in Gospel of John









Changing Water into Wine	2:11
Healing official's son	4:46-54
Healing an invalid at the Pool of Bethesda	5:1-18
Feeding the 5,000	6:5-14
Walking on water	6:16-21
Healing a blind man	9:1-7
Raising dead Lazarus	11:1-45







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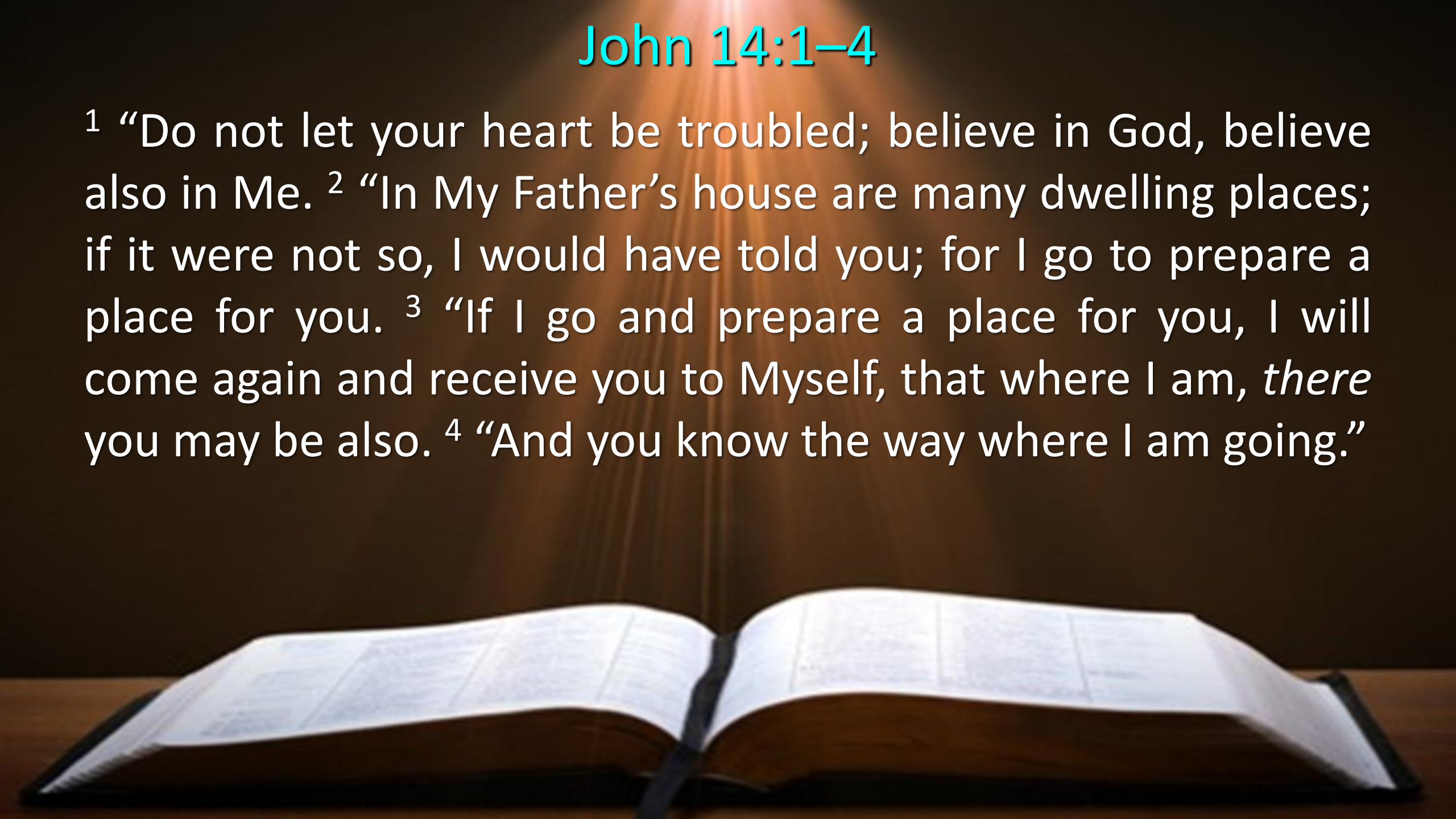


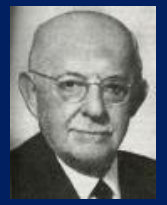
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Matthew 16:18

I also say to you that you are Peter, and upon this rock **I will build [*oikodomeō*] My church**; and the gates of Hades will not overpower it.



Ephesians 3:3-6

"[3] that by revelation there was made known to me the **mystery**, as I wrote before in brief. [4] By referring to this, when you read you can understand my insight into the **mystery** of Christ, [5] which in other generations was not made known to the sons of men, as it has now been revealed to His holy apostles and prophets in the Spirit; [6] **to be specific, that the Gentiles are fellow heirs and fellow members of the body, and fellow partakers of the promise in Christ Jesus** through the gospel".



Colossians 1:26

"*that is*, the **mystery** which has been **hidden** from the *past* ages and generations, **but** has **now been manifested** to His saints."



“Mystery” Defined

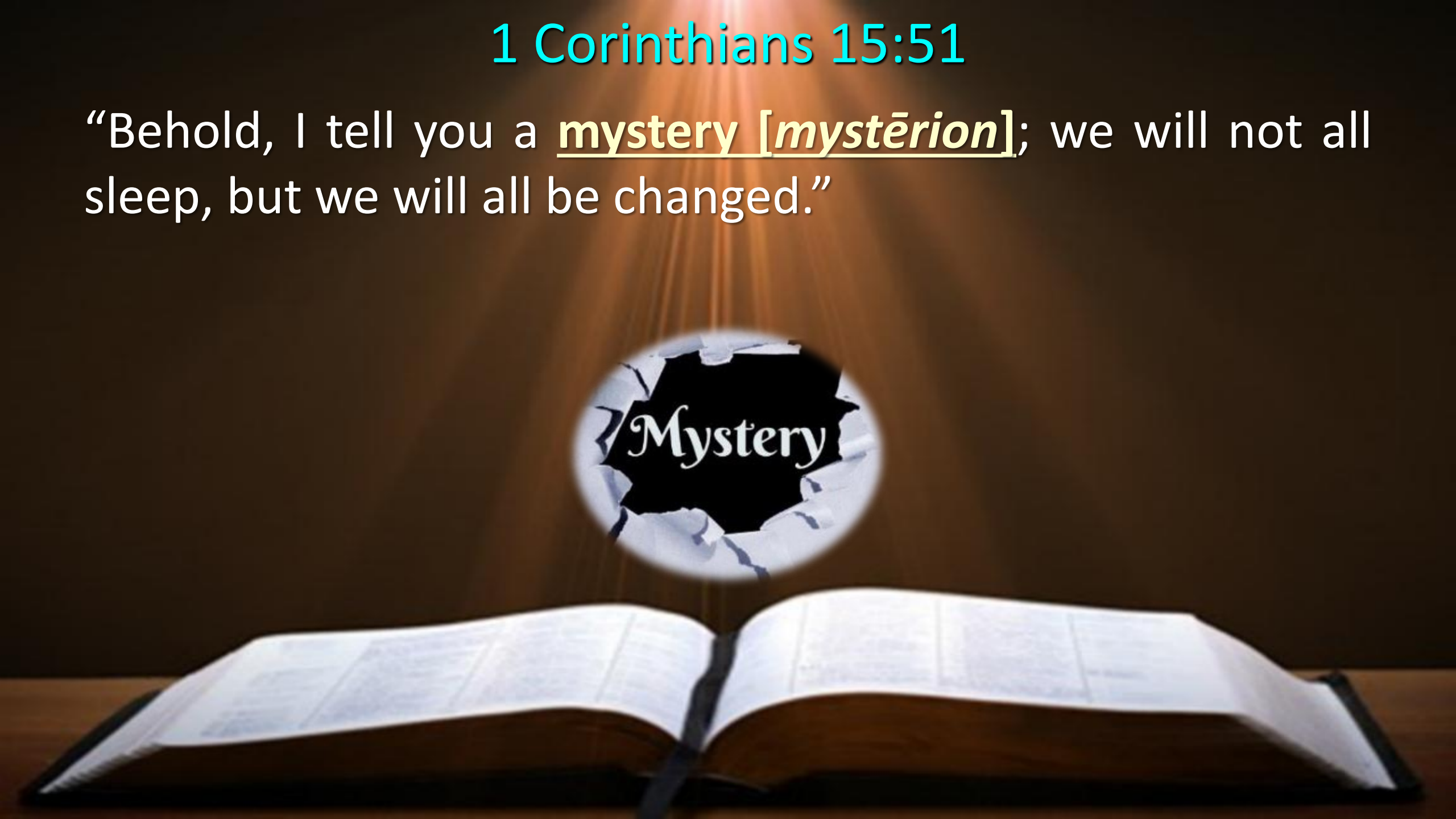
“In the N.T, it [*mystērion*] denotes, not the mysterious (as with the Eng. word), but that which, being outside the range of unassisted natural apprehension, can be made known only by Divine revelation, and is made known in a manner and at a time appointed by God, and to those who are illumined by His Spirit.”



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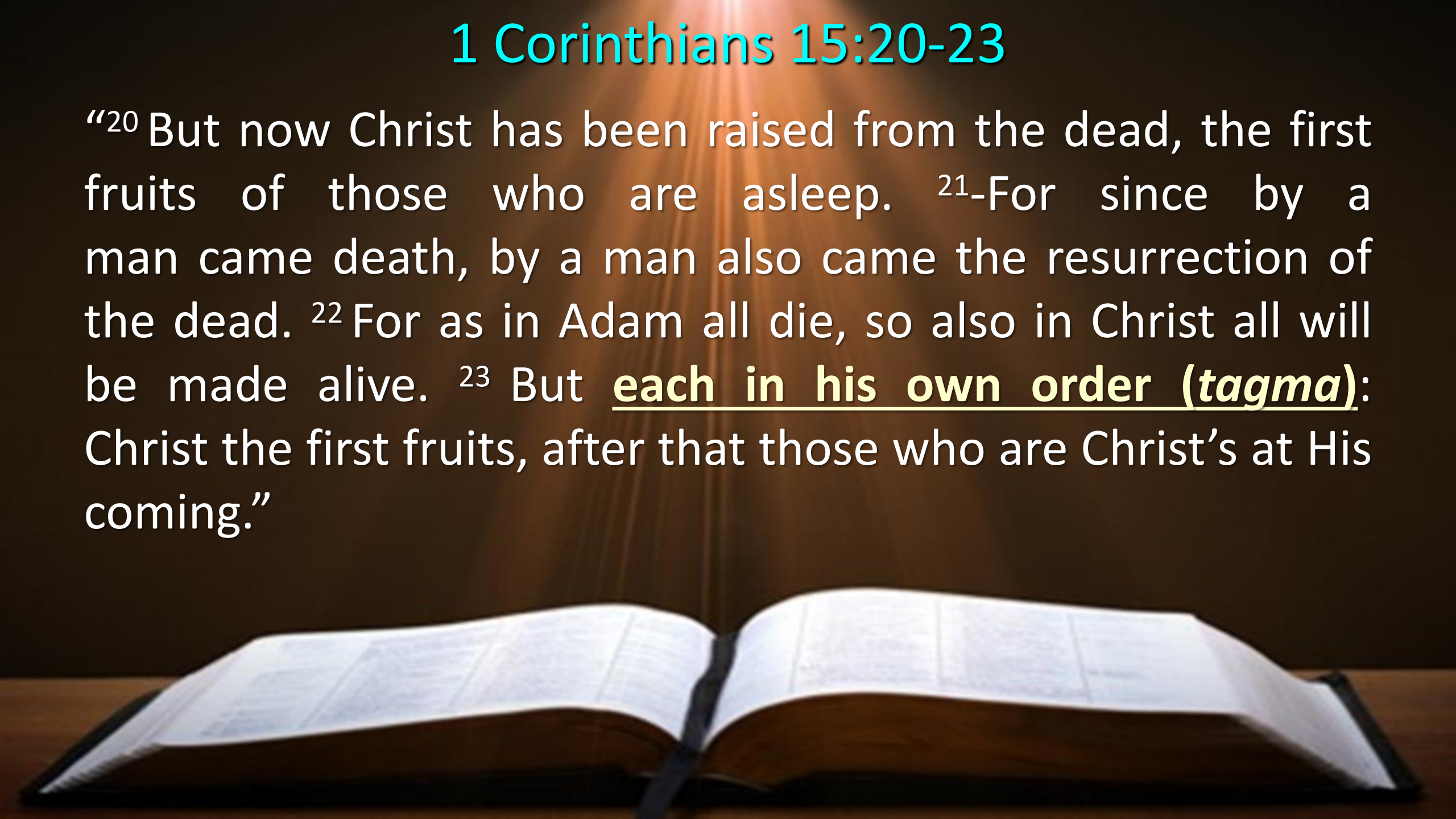
1 Corinthians 15:51

"Behold, I tell you a **mystery [*mystērion*]**; we will not all sleep, but we will all be changed."

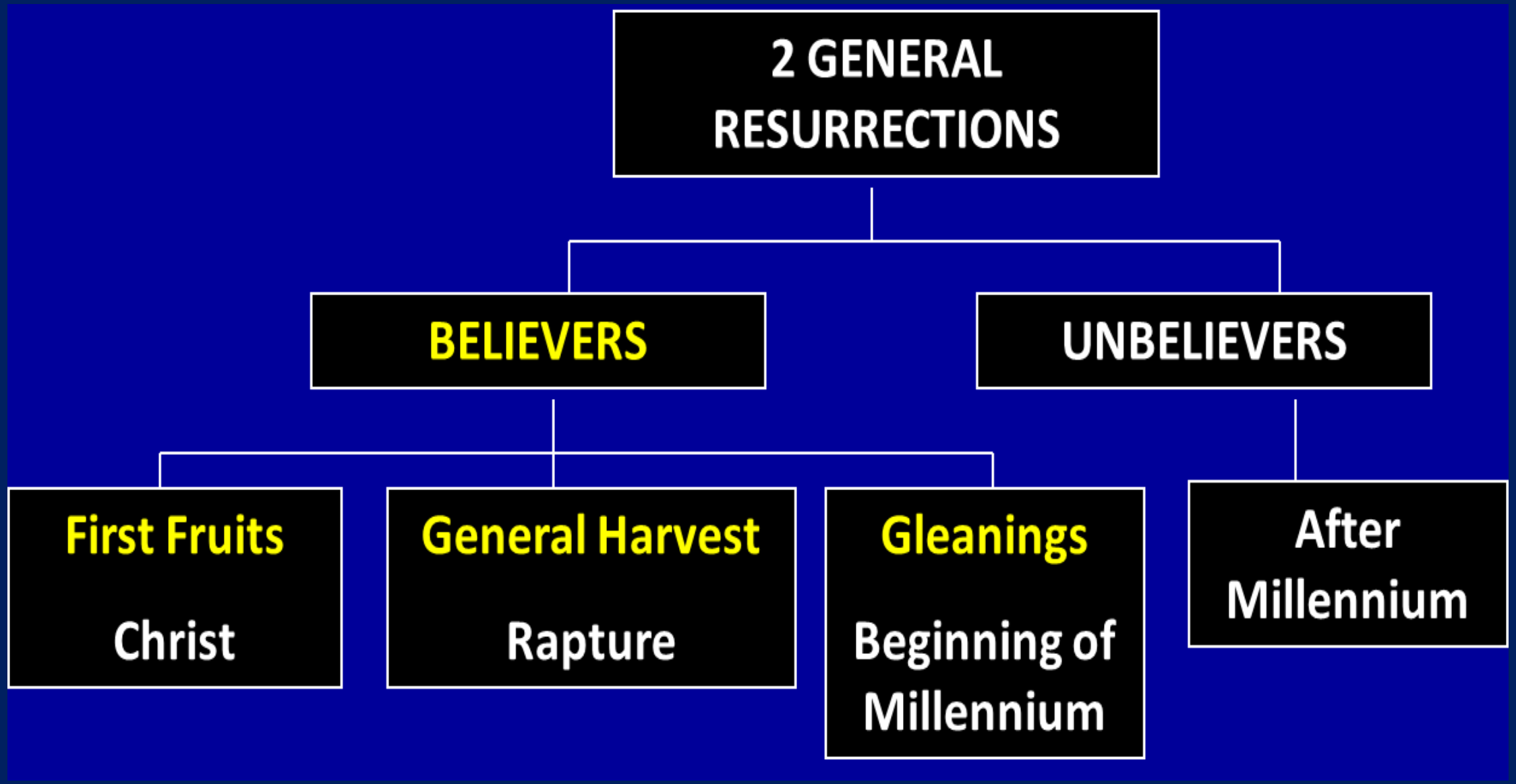


1 Corinthians 15:20-23

“[20] But now Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who are asleep. [21]-For since by a man came death, by a man also came the resurrection of the dead. [22] For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ all will be made alive. [23] But **each in his own order (*tagma*)**: Christ the first fruits, after that those who are Christ’s at His coming.”



God's Resurrection Program



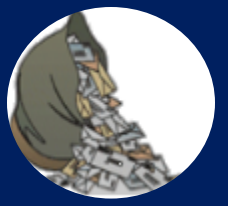
Genesis 3:15

“And I will put enmity Between you and the woman, And between your seed and her seed; He shall bruise you on the head, And you shall bruise him on the heel.”





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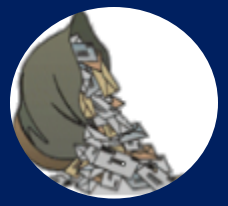


2 Timothy 3:16-17

"All Scripture is **inspired by God [*theopneustos*]** and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness; so that the man of God may be adequate, equipped for every good work."







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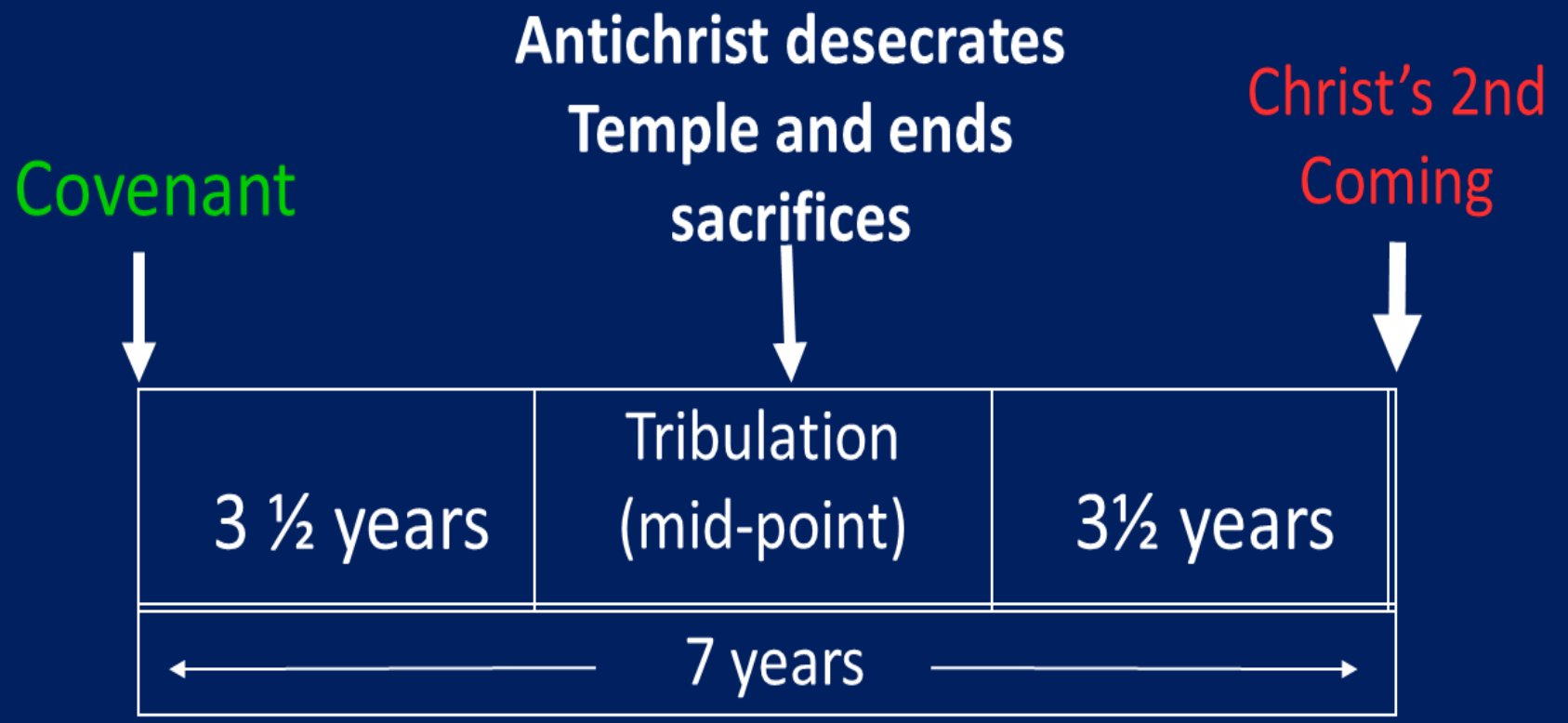


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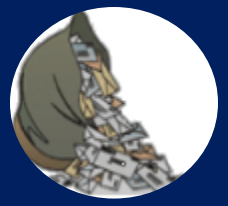
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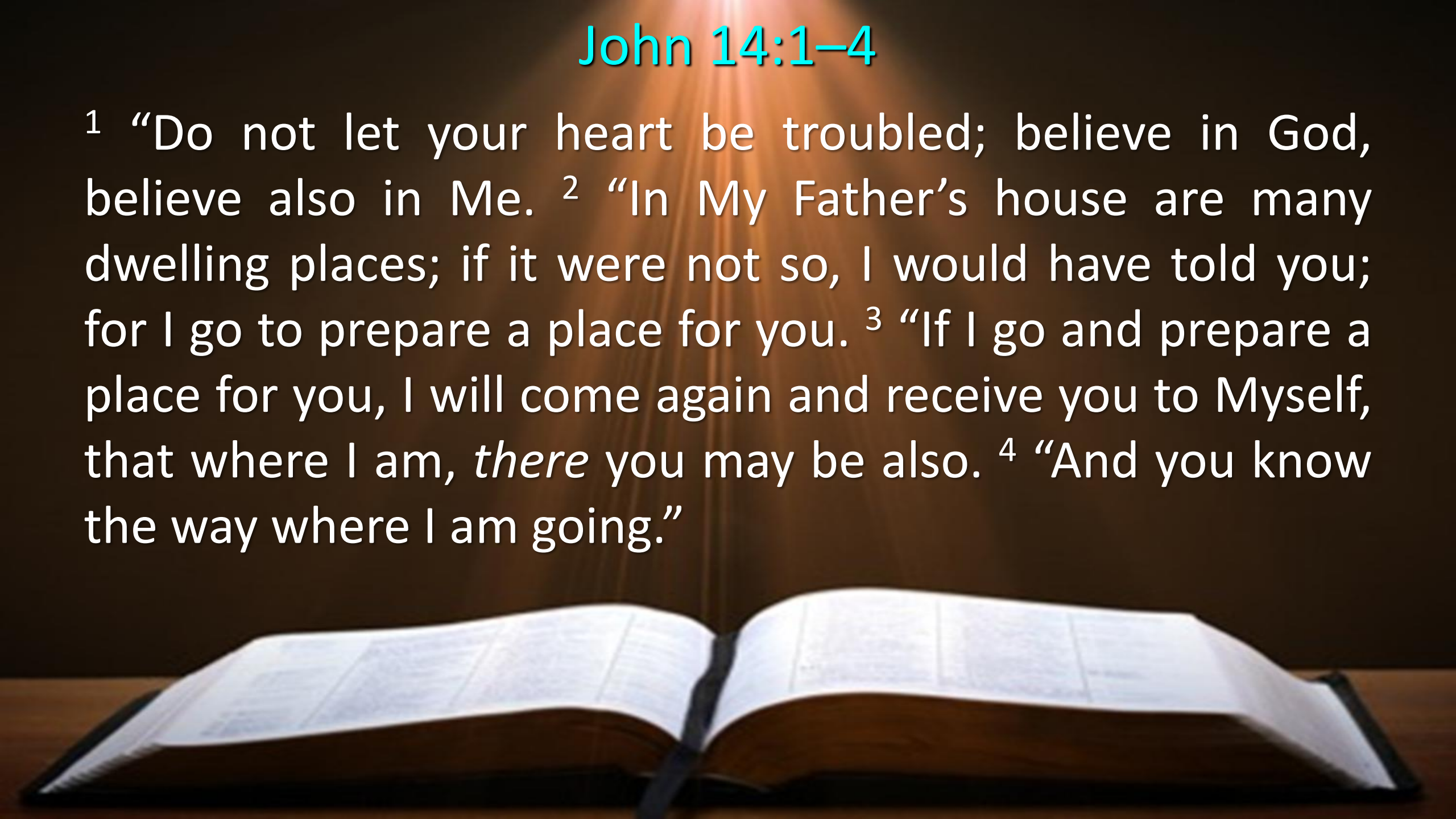


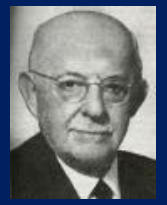
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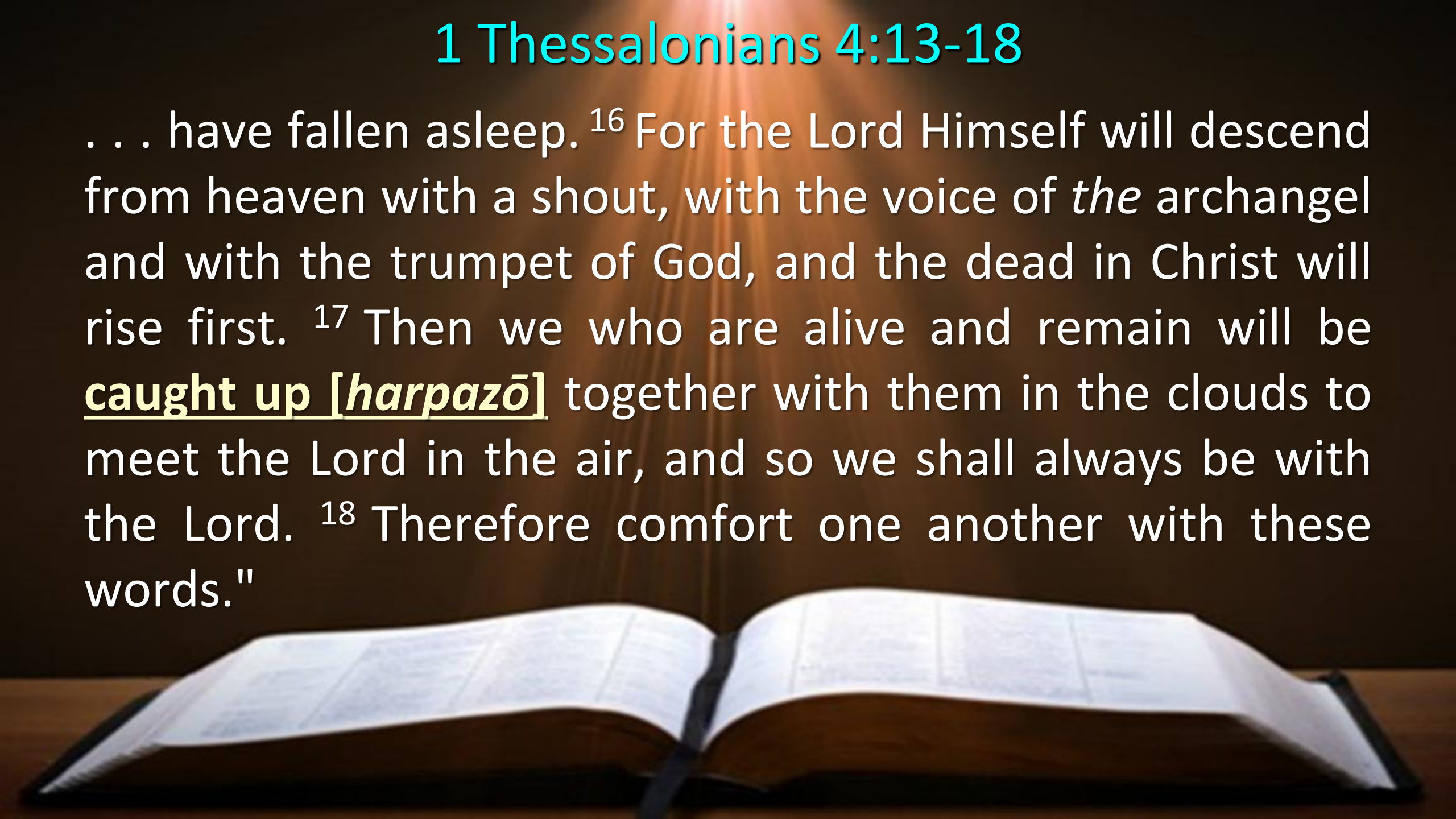
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. . . have fallen asleep. [16] For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of *the* archangel and with the trumpet of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. [17] Then we who are alive and remain will be **caught up [*harpazō*]** together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we shall always be with the Lord. [18] Therefore comfort one another with these words."



Rapture Distinct from Second Advent

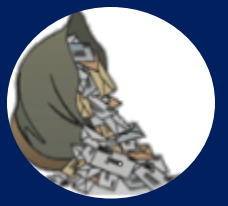
RAPTURE (1 Thess 4:13-18; 1 Cor 15:51-58)	SECOND COMING (Rev 19:11-16)
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Announced only by an archangel (1 Thess 4:16)	Involves myriads of angels (Jude 14)
Resurrection (1 Cor 15: 51)	No resurrection
Rescue of the Church (1 Thess 1:10)	Rescue of Israel (Matt 23:37-39)

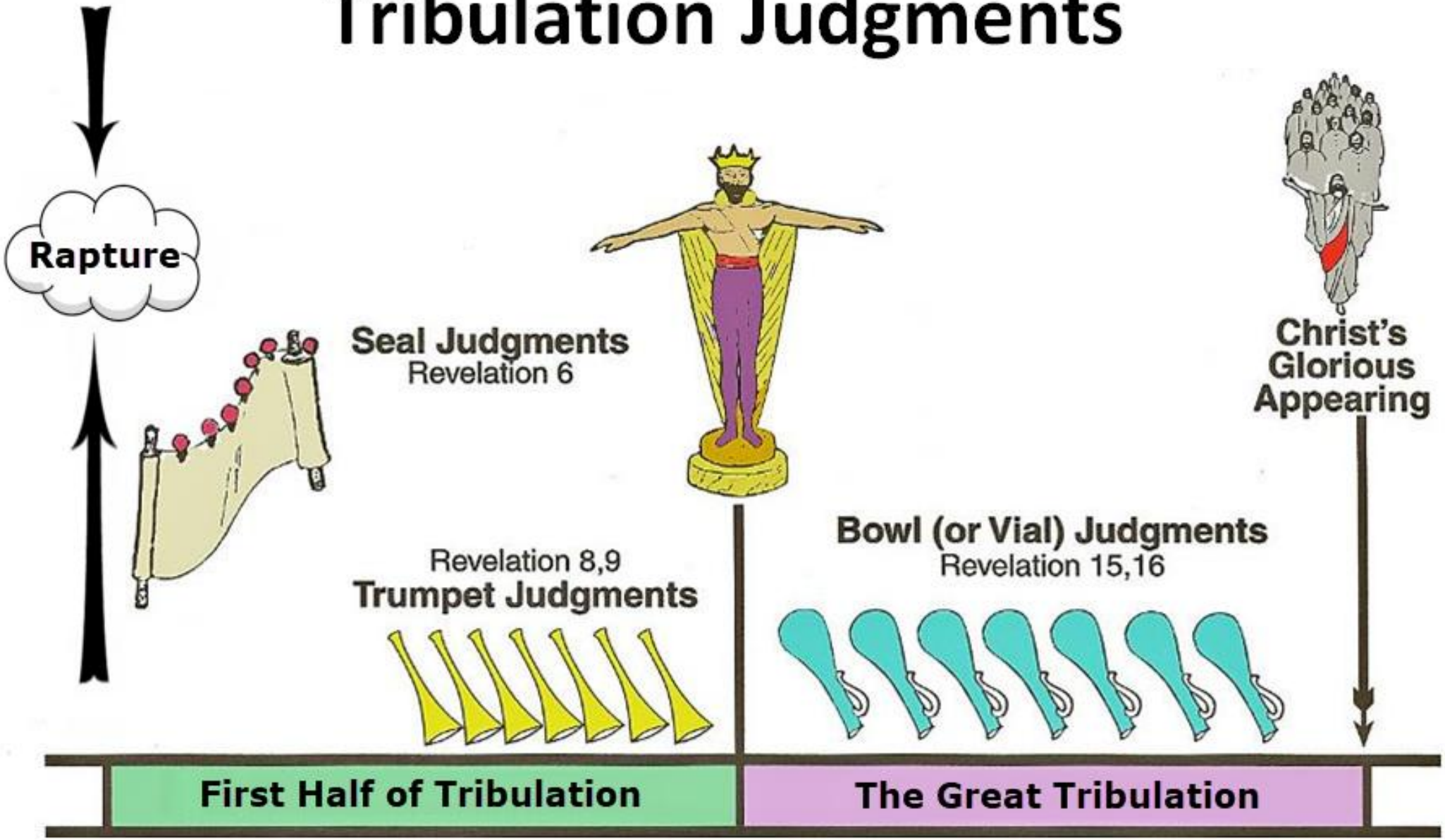


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Genesis 8:22

While the earth remains, Seedtime and harvest, And cold and heat, And summer and winter, And day and night Shall not cease.

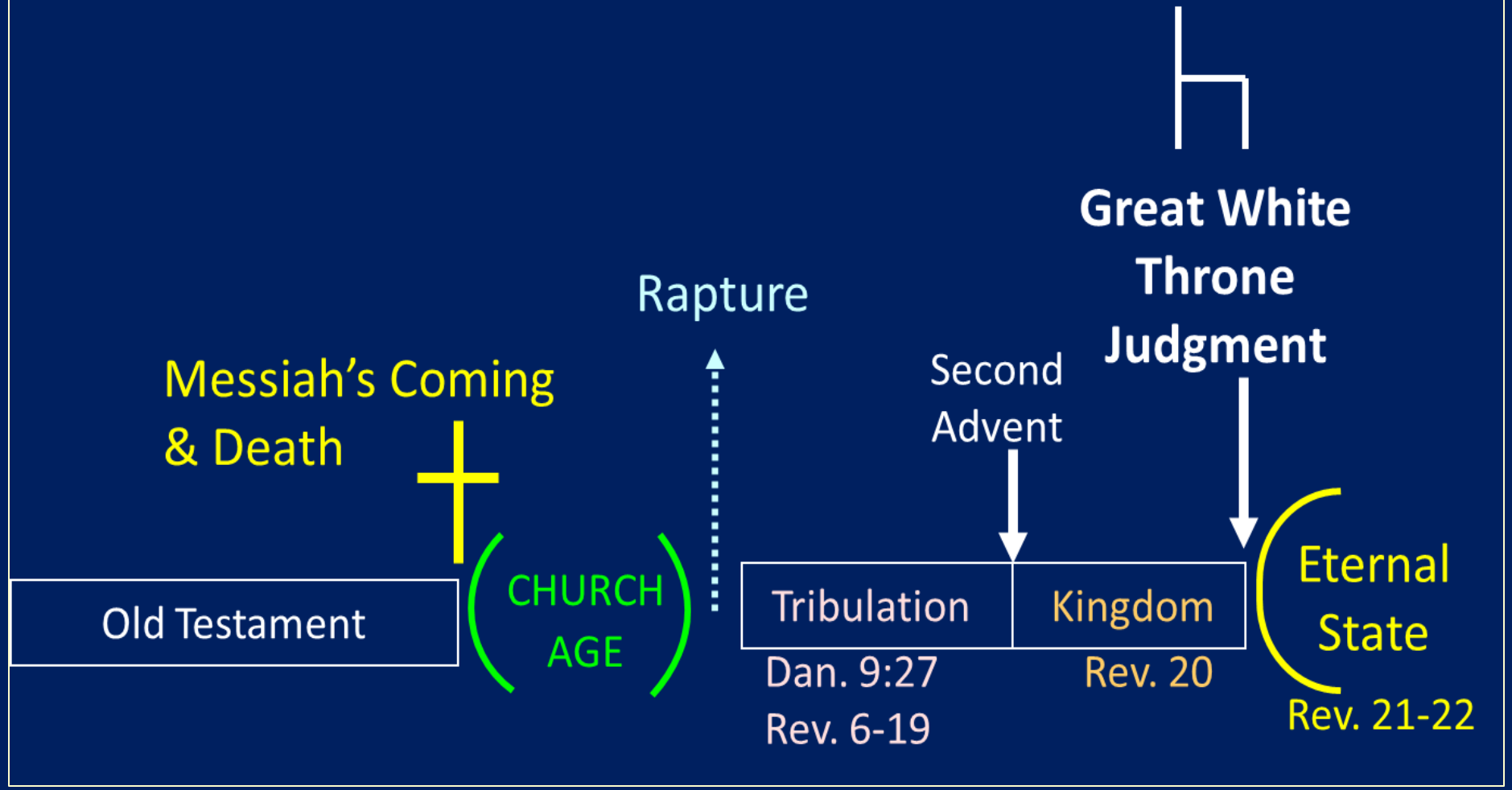


Revelation 1:6; 5:10

“1:6 and He has made us to be **a kingdom, priests** to His God and Father—to Him be the glory and the dominion forever and ever. Amen…5:10 You have made them to be a **kingdom and priests** to our God; and they will reign [*basileuō*] **upon the earth** ***[gē]***.”

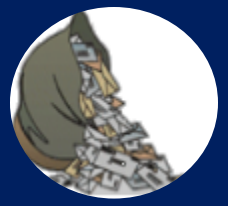


Prophecy Panorama




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2 Peter 3:10
But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, in which the heavens will pass away with a roar and the elements will be destroyed with intense heat, and the earth and its works will be burned up. (NASB)

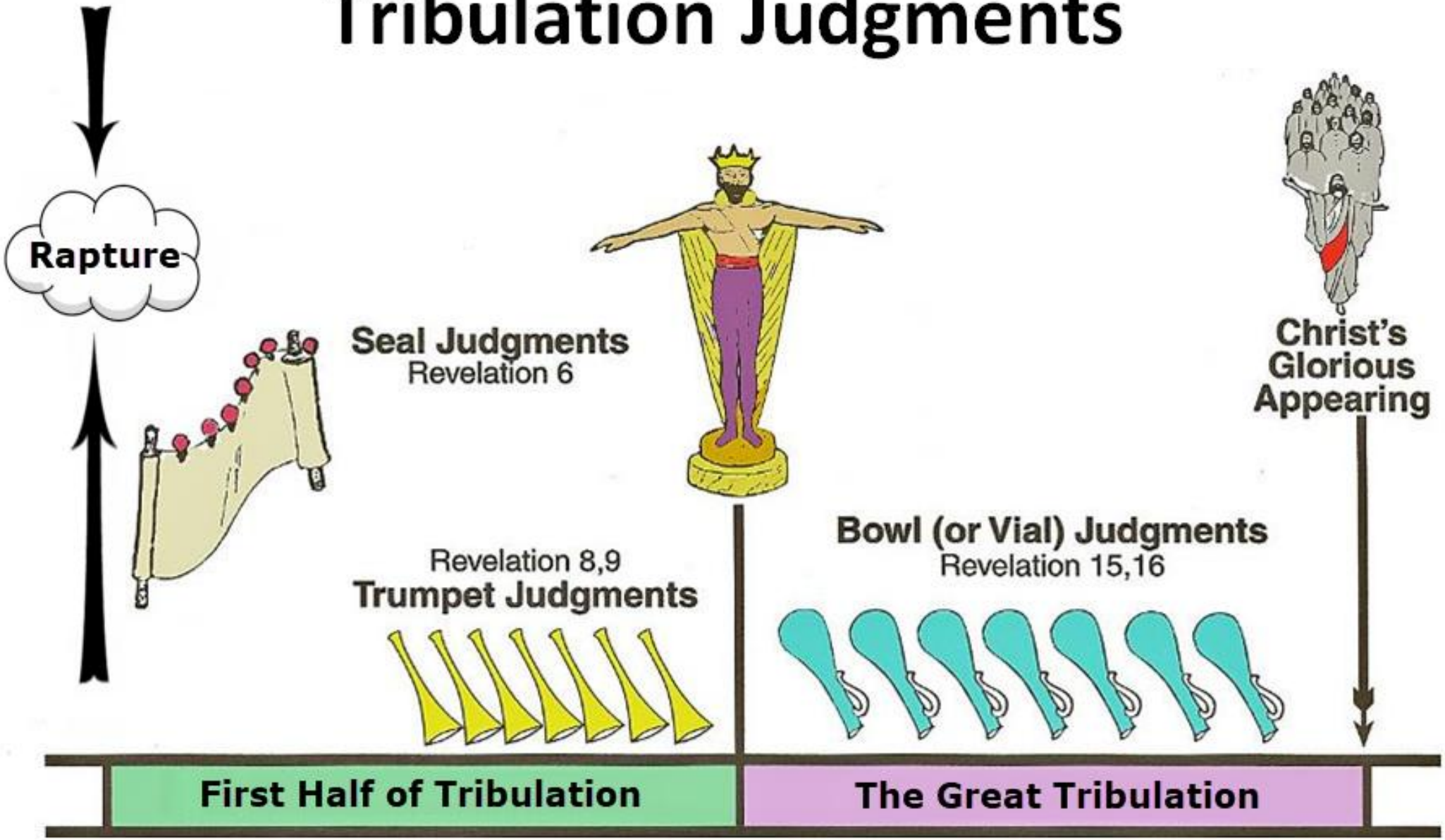




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2 Thessalonians 2:6-7

6 And you know what **restrains [*katechon; neuter*]** him
now, so that in his time he will be revealed. 7 For the
mystery of lawlessness is already at work; only he who
now **restrains [*katechōn; masculine*]** *will do so* until he is
taken out of the way.



1st Six Seals (Revelation 6)

1. 6:1-2 – Advent of antichrist
2. 6:3-4 – War
3. 6:5-6 – Famine
4. 6:7-8 – Death
5. 6:9-11 – Martyrdoms
6. 6:12-17 – Cosmic disturbances




The 7 Churches in Revelation
Rev. 1: 11
BLACK SEA
BITHYNIA
MYSIA
AEGEAN SEA
ASIA
Pergamum
Thyatira
Smyrna
Sardis
Philadelphia
PHRYGIA
Ephesus
Laodicea
Patmos
CARIA
LYCIA
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DESCRIPTION OF THE SEVEN CHURCHES

REVELATION 2–3

CHURCH	SCRIPTURE	DESCRIPTION
Ephesus	2:1-7	Loveless
Smyrna	2:8-11	Persecuted
Pergamum	2:12-17	Compromised
Thyatira	2:18-29	Corrupt
Sardis	3:1-6	Dead
Philadelphia	3:7-13	Missionary
Laodicea	3:14-22	Man-centered

Twenty-Four Elders

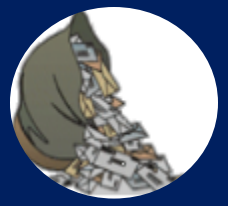
(Rev. 4:4; 5:8-10)

CHURCH

1. Crowned (Rev. 2:10; 3:11)
2. Resurrected (Rev. 4:4)
3. Clothed in White (Rev. 3:5)
4. Redeemed (Rev. 5:8-10)
5. Global (Rev. 5:9; Matt. 28:19)
6. Enthroned (Rev. 3:21)
7. Elders (Rev. 1 Tim. 3:1-7)
8. Kingdom of Priests (Rev. 1:6)
9. Twenty-four (Rev. 1:6)







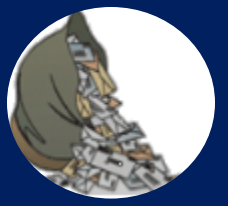
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144,000	**MULTITUDE**
Revelation 7:1-8	**Revelation 7:9-17**
Numbered	**Innumerable**
Jews	**All nations**
Sealed (First Fruits)	**Slain (Martyrs)**
Sealed before the Tribulation	**Converted out of the Tribulation**
Hitchcock and Ice, *The Truth Behind Left Behind*, 77	



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Revelation 13:16-18

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poor, and the free men and the slaves, to be given a mark on
their right hand or on their forehead, 17 and *he provides* that no
one will be able to buy or to sell, except the one who has the
mark, *either* the name of the beast or the number of his name. 18
Here is wisdom. Let him who has understanding calculate the
number of the beast, for the number is that of a man; and his
number is six hundred and sixty-six.



Daniel 7:23

"The fourth beast will be a fourth kingdom on the earth, which will be different from all the *other* kingdoms and will **devour the whole earth and tread it down and crush it**."




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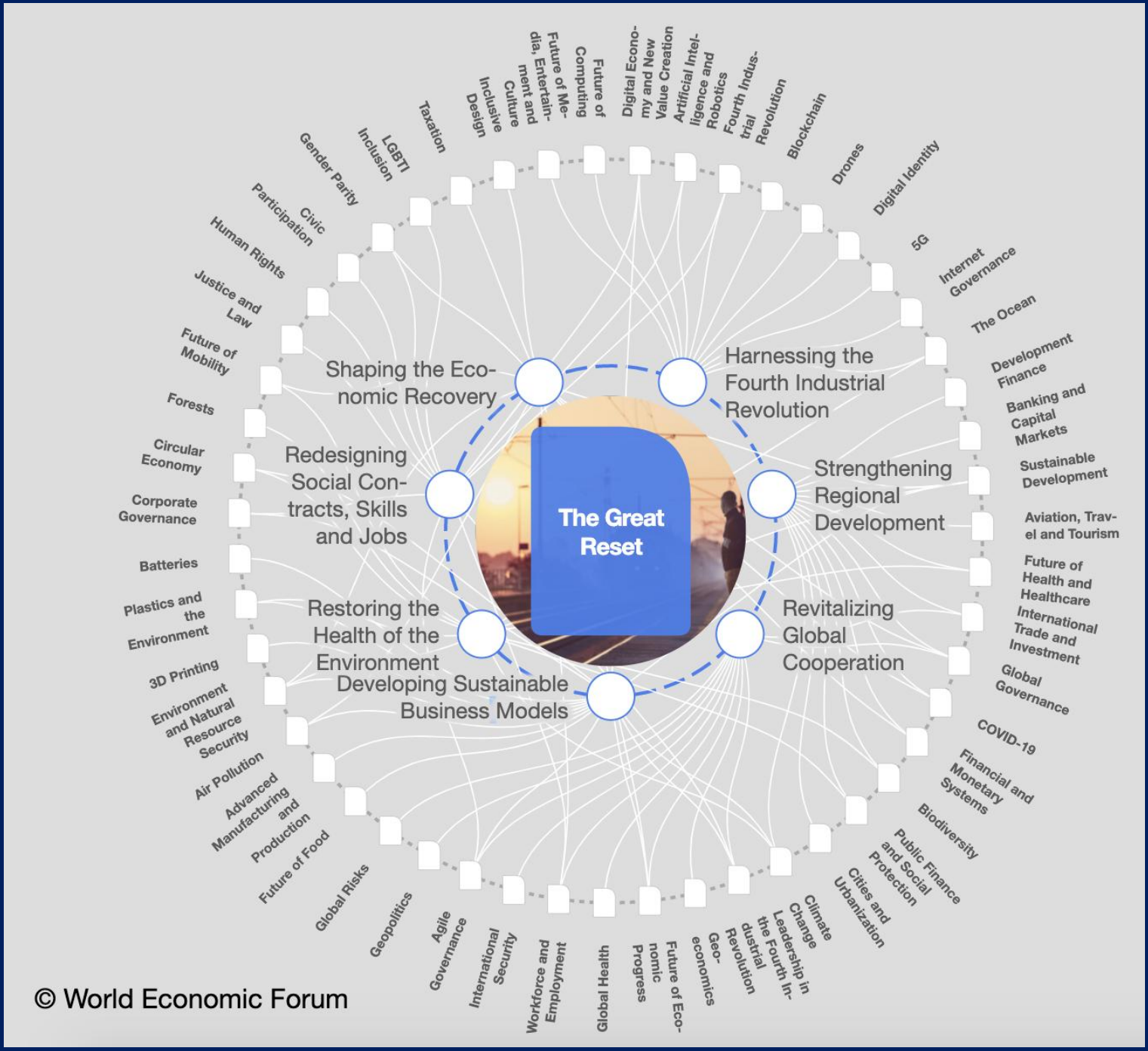
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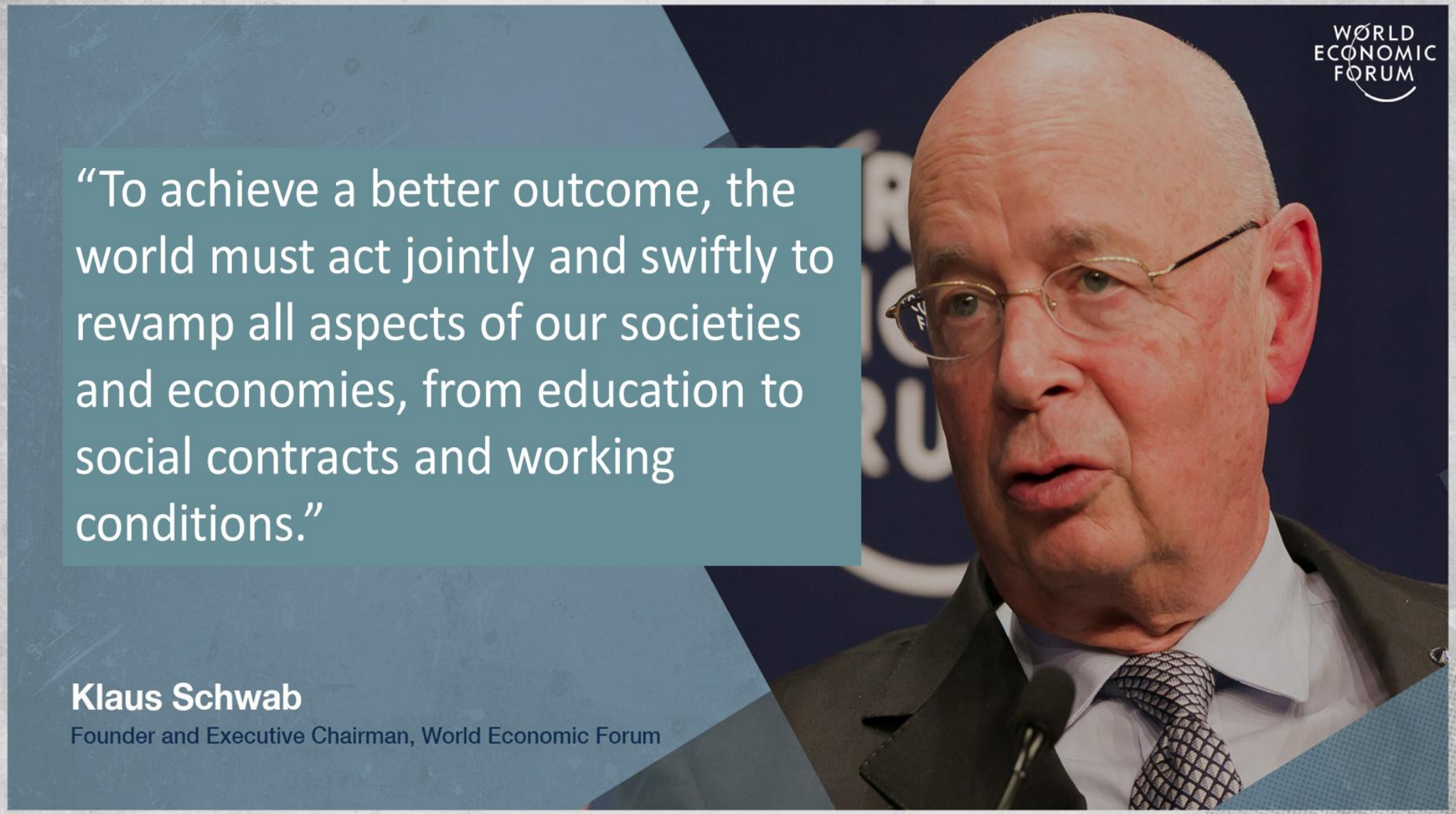
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"You'll own nothing".
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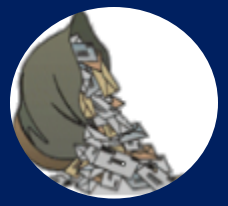
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