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Shalom and welcome to this edition of revelation shorts, we're going to focus in on a few critical points concerning the rapture. Now, when we look at what Paul says, In First Corinthians chapter 15, he speaks of the rapture, also known as our blessed hope, as a mystery, meaning by and large, the prophets did not speak, nor were they aware of this event. That's one of the meanings of a mystery. Now, I realize that in Isaiah chapter 26, and verse 19, there is a reference to resurrection, a resurrection of joy and some teaching. I'm not disagreeable with this, some teach that that is one reference concerning the rapture, in the Old Testament. But what we can be assured of is this, Paul reveals in that same place, First Corinthians 15, he speaks of the rapture, at a time that believers are going to receive a new body, that is a spiritual body, one that has been designed perfectly for the kingdom of God. And when we look at the Scripture, we only see those who have accepted the gospel as receiving this new body. Now, when someone dies today, ever since the work of Messiah was complete, ever since that he descended into shell, and took captive captivity, ever since his resurrection, when someone dies in faith, although their body is buried and decomposes in the tomb, their soul is immediately present with Messiah. And when the rapture takes place, that soul is going to be reunited with a new body, a glorified body. And that is what's going to happen when he comes down. And the scripture says, as well, we who are still alive, those individuals, whether that's you or me or not, we'll see. But those who are still alive, when the rapture happens, their bodies will be transformed, as they're called up, lifted up to meet Messiah in the clouds. Now we know something else. Paul writes about a trumpet. And he speaks of the last trumpet. Now, this is where some are confused. They make an air believing when he speaks of the last trumpet. He's speaking about the last trumpet sounding. This is not the case, when he speaks of the last trumpet, that term less can be understood as a trumpet that is designated for the last days, a trumpet that's going to be sounded, but it's not necessarily speaking about the last time the trumpet is going to be sounded. It's speaking about a trumpet which is specifically related to the in times. Now, when the rapture happened, it is going to be a very quick event, the Scripture speaks of the twinkling of an eye, so you can't get prepared for it. It is nowhere in the Scripture seen as a testimony to the loss, that the world is going to be amazed on what

has happened, we don't see that what we see is that it's going to take place quickly in a twinkling of an eye. And we're going to be those who are believers, they are going to be gathered unto him, meaning this, he is going to and one of the ways that this is spoken of, in, for example, Hebrew is with the term likha, which means the taking, it has to do with the fact that the believers are going to be taken from this world removed from it, prior to the wrath of God. Now, when we speak about the second coming, and again, we need to make that distinction between the rapture and the second coming. They are not. At the same time they are not the same event. When the rapture happens, there's a wonderful promise that from that moment, and forever, those believers all believe levers to all the different ages, we are going to be with Messiah, the Scripture says, for ever, what a wonderful hope, a sheer hope. And therefore at the time of the Second Coming, we're not going to be gathered to Him, we're going to be already with him. But we will return with him from heaven to Jerusalem, for the purpose of the millennial kingdom. So the rapture, we're gathered to Him, the Second Coming, we're going to be returning with him for the purpose of ruling and wringing, as the scripture says, with Messiah for those 1000 years. Again, it's very important that we notice that the scripture is quite clear. And it says in First Thessalonians, chapter five and verse nine, that As believers, we are not appointed for wrath, but for salvation, meaning we're not going to experience God's wrath, but we're going to experience his victory. Sometimes the term salvation is best understood in our language with the concept of victory, deliverance, we're going to see the enemies destroyed. And we're going to enjoy the benefits of that new covenant relationship. When we look for example, in First Thessalonians chapter four and verse 17, we see just what we've been talking about, that the Ark Angel, that ruling angel is going to sound the shofar with a shout, and that Schupp most see as the sounding of the shofar, that unique trumpet. Now, why that unique trumpet? There's a reason because when we speak of the show for the ram's horn, if we look at where the Scripture first makes reference to it, it's in the book of Genesis, in the passage that deals with the binding a key that gets caught the binding of Isaac, when Abraham went to heart Moria, the Mount Moriah, to offer a pizza. And we noticed that God did something, God provided a substitute. And that substitute was a ram that was caught in the thicket in the bushes by his horns. And what's important is this, when we look it speaks about God looking at the situation. And because God sold the need, he provided he provided that RAM, so that the promise would live that promise of eternal blessing that kingdom promise. Now the ram was caught in the bushes with his horn. And it's that horn that forms the basis for the shofar, that ram's horn that is sounded. And when we look at the context, it's what God provided for victory for life for the fulfillment of the promise that God made to to Abraham, he provided it. And if we look, there's a reference to victory. Abraham has told that that with this, you will capture the the gates of your enemies, when you capture the gate of your enemy, you are victorious. So with that shout of the ram's horn, that trumpet bless, we know something, it signals us to be reminded what God provided in the person of his son, Messiah shoe, what he provided so that we can enjoy eternal victory and have that assurance. Now, I mentioned in our previous study concerning the day of Christ, which is related to the rapture, we notice something I said, based upon what Paul reveals in Second Thessalonians chapter two, that before and hear this carefully. Before the rapture, there is going to be the revealing of the Antichrist, there is going to be ultimately, that Abomination of Desolation when the Antichrist will go into the temple in Jerusalem, and proclaim himself that he is God that he's worthy to be worshipped. That is the last event. So Paul says Prior to the day of Christ, it has to happen beforehand. Now, why is that so important? Because that event takes place. And then shortly thereafter, because Israel rejects the Antichrist, when he commits that, that sacrilege, the abomination of desolation, we know that God's going to do something, he is going to seal Israel,

according to Revelation chapter seven, because they will go through they will be here, during the outpouring of God's wrath, that seal is going to shield them from God's wrath, but it will not protect him against the persecution led by the Antichrist because Israel rejected him. We know that two thirds of the Jewish people, it pains me to say this, two thirds of the Jewish people are going to be put to death. During this time known as Sri qila, Yaakov a time of trouble, or tribulation for Jacob Jacobs, time of tribulation, two thirds will lose their life, but God will preserve a remnant 1/3 and bring them to ultimately believe in Messiah receive him. And that gospel message. Now there's one last thing I want to deal with. And we spoken of this before. And that is understanding the term, the Great Tribulation. Now, many people use logic instead of the word of God. They believe the Great Tribulation, the source of it is God. And it's the wrath of God. And it's at the end, the latter half of Daniel 73, weak. When you look at the Scripture, we don't see that we see great persecution, times of trouble for Israel, and God's wrath upon the nations during the latter half of Daniel's 70th week. But the term the Great Tribulation, it's different from simply saying Great Tribulation. We had that definite article, the word the, and we find based upon what the Scripture tells us, in Revelation, chapter seven, that is for believers, why is it called the great tribulation because people are suffering for their faith, and that is being emphasized by God, it's precious to him, when his people suffer for faith in him out of obedience. Now, many people teach this, that the Great Tribulation is in the latter half. It's after the rapture. And it has to do with with individuals coming to faith during what they call the tribulation period. And and this is this great multitude that that John speaks of in Revelation seven. This is not the case. Why? First of all, there's nothing in the Scripture, which speaks about a great multitude, from every tribe, every language, every people nation, that's who is mentioned, in regard to the Great Tribulation. We don't see that in the Scripture. Likewise, we don't see another false teaching that the 144,000 are Jewish evangelists doesn't say that anywhere in the Scripture, that is made believe, by, by commentators, by individuals. Nowhere does it say there's 144,000 Jewish evangelists. Nowhere in the Scripture, does it say that after the rapture during this great tribulation, that there's going to be those from the nations that come to faith, we don't see that. There'll be a remnant at the end the very end because of Israel, but not because of 144,000. Jewish evangelists know that remnant of the nations will do so. Because they will see God sanctifying Israel in the last days, in a general sense, not some specific 144,000 Jewish evangelists. We don't see that, that after the rapture, there's this great salvation for all types of Gentiles. What we have to be is consistent with the Scripture. And Paul says this in the book of Romans, chapter 11. I like to use all God's testimony to arrive at a proper understanding. And what Paul says is that there is and this would be in our current time, that We're dealing with a time for the fullness of the Gentiles, that there seems to be an emphasis upon the Gentile world, the nations. But Paul says, when that time when the fullness of the Gentiles are brought in, then he's going to turn his attention at the end of Daniel's 70th week, to the Jewish people. So the time of the Gentiles come to an end, then that remnant is saved, the remnant of the house of Israel that 1/3. And then we see, then we see Israel coming to salvation. And because a remnant of the nation's see what God does, then you can look at this at the end of Ezekiel chapter 37. And this is confirmed that they're going to take note of what God does in keeping his covenantal promise to Israel in the last days. But we do not see these great numbers, as some teach, having to do with the number of Gentiles that are coming to faith in the last days in that great tribulation. Simply not there. If you look, in regard to the trumpet judgments and the bold judgments of Revelation chapter, chapters, eight, and nine, and also chapter 16, what we find is something very different. We find that although God's wrath was being poured out, that people were not brought to repentance, they would not turn away from the evilness of their deeds, their adultery, their

their murders, their thefts, and such, they remain defiant, against God. So it's very important that we have a right understanding of the rapture. Now, this edition of revelation shorts just touched upon a few points surrounding that rapture issue. I've taught extensively, not just a few minutes, 20 or 30 minutes, but a few hours in two different videos concerning rapture truth. So I invite you to look at those we'll put those in the show notes in the bottom of this video, and you can look and go there for a more extensive and thorough look at the rapture. But these are a few critical things that we need to understand. And my hope is this, that you'll research that you just won't believe what someone says whether it's me or someone else. But you will check it out and look and thoroughly studied. Don't lean on your own understanding. Don't lean on the teachings of others, but thoroughly prayerfully examining the scripture, and asking the Holy Spirit to show you His truth concerning this blessed event. Our great hope and promise from God of the rapture. God removing believers from this world, that we will always be with him and we will not experience God's wrath. How marvelous How wonderful, and we praise God and give Thanks for this shirt. Hope. Well close with that. Shalom from Israel.