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Matthew 24:33

...when you see all these things, you know that he is near, at the very gates.

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Revelation 21

5 And he who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true."

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1 "Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. 2 In my Father's house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you?

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John 14

3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also.

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Rapture is Jesus making all things new for His Church

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50 I tell you this, brothers: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable. 51 Behold! I tell you a mystery. We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed,

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1 Corinthians 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. 53 For this perishable body must put on the imperishable, and this mortal body must put on immortality.

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Mystery

Something that was previously hidden in the Old Testament but it now revealed in the New Testament

1Cor 15:50	New body is needed gain our full inheritance
1Cor 15:51	Rapture is a mystery
1Cor 15:51	Living Christians will be raptured
1Cor 15:51	Rapture will cause incredible and instantaneous change

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1Cor 15:52	Speed is sub-second
1Cor 15:52	Trumpet will signal the rapture
1Cor 15:52	Dead raised to imperishable
1Cor 15:52	Living mortal changed to immortal

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New Body Suitable for Heaven 1. bodies without sin 2. bodies without age 3. bodies that are immortal

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13 But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. 14 For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep.

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1 Thessalonians 4

15 For this we declare to you by a word from the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep.

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16 For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first.

1 Thessalonians 4

17 Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. 18 Therefore encourage one another with these words.

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Rapture Sequence 1Th 4:16 For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command 1Th 4:16 Voice of the archangel 1 Th 4:16 Sound of the trumpet 1 Th 4:15 we who are alive will not precede those who have fallen asleep.

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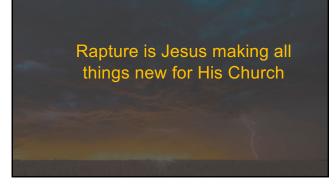
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Caught Up Together

Greek word Harpazo

- to seize, carry off by force
 to seize on, claim for one's self eagerly
- 3. to snatch out or away

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Rapture Ready

- 1. New Body
- 2. New Occupation

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11 For no one can lay a foundation other than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. 12 Now if anyone builds on the foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw—

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1 Corinthians 3

13 each one's work will become manifest, for the Day will disclose it, because it will be revealed by fire, and the fire will test what sort of work each one has done.

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1 Corinthians 3

14 If the work that anyone has built on the foundation survives, he will receive a reward. 15 If anyone's work is burned up, he will suffer loss, though he himself will be saved, but only as through fire.

Key Question	
What can I do today that is of eternal value?	

Rapture is Jesus making all things new for His Church

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Rapture Ready 1. New Body 2. New Occupation 3. New Relationships

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29But Jesus answered them, "You are wrong, because you know neither the Scriptures nor the power of God. 30For in the resurrection they neither marry nor are given in marriage, but are like angels in heaven.

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1 Corinthians 15

58 Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

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Immovable

The Greek word ametakinetos:

- It means not easily excited or shaken
- It describes something that is not changeable or unpredictable.
- Often connected with stone structures or people with a strong unbending character



