

# FAITH

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### ***Gathering together unto Him***

Gathering together unto Him is commonly referred to as being raptured by Christ. You must be prepared for His return but as far as the “rapture” is concerned, you have nothing to worry about; the word “rapture” is not in your King James Bible.

An understanding of scripture prepares and readies you for the return of Christ and both Books of Thessalonians are good places to start as you begin gathering together unto Him in 2 Thes 2:1 KJV: Now

we beseech you, bretheren, by the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, and by our gathering together unto Him.

Gathering together unto Him is the subject and 2 Thes 2:3 KJV tells that His return does not take place until after the Apostasy, a “falling away,” a brief period of time



that Satan pursues you...claiming to be Christ.

Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition; “Son of Perdition” is one of Satan’s names and with him coming as Antichrist, the “Instead of Christ” preparation is required for you to recognize him. You see him and his fallen angels arriving in Rev 12:9 KJV:

And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, wick deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.

You must be prepared for Satan; his supernatural power gives him plenty of opportunity to convince you that he is Christ. His goal is to deceive you as coming first gives him a distinct advantage; this verse

shows him deceiving the whole world.

Paul wrote Second Thessalonians when he realized how misleading 1 Thes 4:17 KJV is and it reads”

Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with then in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

Many understand this verse to be saying that when Christ returns, you escape the Apostasy by “flying away.” This is not going to happen as gathering together unto Him is Christ coming here and you staying put!

In this verse, “air” is misleading and needs to be explained. Paul uses the word “air” to communicate that all living when Christ returns are changed from their flesh body into their spiritual body...their “spiritual breath of life” body. This change is required for you to see Him, for you to be with Him.

Your Strong’s Concordance shows this interpretation of Paul’s use of “air” to be correct. The word “air” in English is “aer” in the Greek manuscripts and your Strong’s shows its use:

Aer, Greek 109, Strong’s Aer, ah-ahr’; from aemi (to breathe unconsciously, i.e. respire; by analogy to blow); “air” (as naturally circumambient) :-air. Compare to Greek 5594 (psucho).

Ezekiel 13:20 KJV shows God’s feelings about “fly away” to save your soul:

Wherefore thus saith the Lord God; Behold, I am against your pillows, wherewith ye there hunt the souls to make them fly, and I will tear them from your arms, and will let the souls go, even the souls that ye hunt to make them fly.

Using pillows to cover His outreached arms is God making the point that “fly away” is covering the truth of His plan for salvation. He promises to tear these false teachings from your arms and to free you of

doctrine that leads you to the “Instead of Christ”.

Denying “fly away” Ephes. 6:13 KJV tells you to prepare for battle...God instructs you to “stand”:

Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.

The armour of God enables you to withstand this evil day and by “standing”, you take the “Instead of Christ” in stride.

In the Old Testament, Ezekiel 13:19 KJV addresses God’s intense anger, the anger He has towards those polluting His people with lies about saving your soul:

And will ye pollute me among my people for handfuls of barley and for pieces of bread, to slay the souls that should not die, and to save the souls alive that should not live, by your lying to my people that hear your lies?

Teaching “fly away” pollutes God as worshipping Satan leads

you to spiritual death. Lying doctrine takes souls that should not die by ignoring the fact that the “Instead of Christ” comes before Christ.

Understanding gathering together unto Him is imperative; it is your Gospel armour.

Gospel armour is truth; are you wearing yours?

Will you be “standing firm” when the “Instead of Christ” is here?

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