<u>Revelation: God Is In Control Part 13</u> <u>11/06/11</u> "The Promise of the Rapture" Part 3

Text: Romans 11:16-27 and 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Introduction and Review: We Live In Perilous Times 2 timothy 3:1 John 16:33 1 Timothy 4:1

- The Rapture of the Church is imminent!

- We get a <u>glorified</u> body!

- Some characteristics of our new bodies.

- What happens when a Christian dies.
- When the 7 year Great Tribulation begins.
- The 70 weeks of **Daniel** the prophet.

The Invisible Church Romans 11:16-27 Romans 11:16-24 Romans 11:25-27

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God's "wife" Deuteronomy 5:1-3; 6:10-15; 7:6-11; 24:1 Ezekiel 16:8; 16:15-43; 16:60-63 Isaiah 54:1-8; 62:4-5 Hosea 2:2-23 Jeremiah 3:1-20; 31:32 Christ's "bride" 2 Corinthians 11:2 Ephesians 5:25-27 Revelation 19:6-9; 21:9; 22:17

When we speak of the "Invisible Church"

When we speak of the "Visible Church"

The Events of the Rapture of the Church Thessalonians 4:13-18
v. 13 "Sleep"
v. 14 "If we believe . . ."
"...that Jesus died and rose again"

v. 15 "We"

<u>Key Point:</u> You are in ______company if you are waiting expectantly for the Rapture of the Church.

v. 16 "The Lord Himself" John 14:1-3

Some Things Which Take Place When Christ Returns
1) Jesus comes from Heaven.
2) With a "Shout"
3) With the voice of the archangel.
4) The Trumpet of God.
5) The dead in Christ rise first.

"In Christ" 1 Corinthians 12:12-14 Daniel 12:1-2 Revelation 21:1-6

6) Believers who are alive at the time of the Rapture of the Church.
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Key Point: Every _______in Jesus Christ will be ______in Jesus Christ will be _______in Jesus Christ will be ________in Jesus Christ will be _______in Jesus Christ wil

7) We shall always be with the Lord!

v. 18 Now that's comforting!

How Should We Live In Light of These Things? James 5:7-9 1 Peter 4:7