

## Questions about a Post-Tribulation Rapture

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A Post-Tribulation Rapture fails to answer nine questions. The answers to these nine questions lead us to believe in a Pre-Tribulation Rapture.

### **Question #1: If the Rapture occurs at the Second Coming, who will populate the Millennium?**

**Answer:** The people who populate the Millennium were saved after the Rapture and are alive at the Second Coming. According to the post-tribulation rapture theory, at the Second Coming all Christians will receive resurrected bodies and all lost people go to the lake of fire. So who will be left to repopulate the world during the Millennium? Because people in their resurrected bodies can't reproduce (Matt. 22:30), it will require people in their natural bodies. This is not possible with a post-tribulation Rapture.

### **Question #2: Why is the resurrection missing from Revelation 19:11-23?**

**Answer:** It's not mentioned because it doesn't happen at that time. The Rapture is the resurrection of the Church. Rev. 19:11-23 gives a description of the Second Coming, yet no resurrection is mentioned. Zechariah 14:1-7 also describes the Second Coming, but there is no mention of a Rapture or resurrection. Some people may call this an argument from silence, yet this silence speaks quite loudly. This is biggest event in the history of the Church where hundreds of millions of people are resurrected—and it's not mentioned in Revelation 19 or Zechariah 14. Why? Because there isn't a post-tribulation Rapture.

### **Question #3: Who is gathered first, the wicked (Matt. 13:30, 49) or the righteous (1 Thess. 4:16-17)? Both can't be gathered first.**

**Answer:** These are two events separated in time. The righteous are first at the Rapture, and the wicked are first at the Second Coming.

### **Question #4: Since Christians will be rewarded (crowns) at the Rapture (2 Tim. 4:8, 1 Pet. 5:4, Luke 14:14), how can the 24 elders in heaven already have their crowns (Rev. 4:4-10) if the Rapture doesn't occur until the Second Coming?**

**Answer:** The Rapture must have taken place by this time, which is before the Second Coming.

### **Question #5: Why do the sheep and goats need to be separated after the Second Coming (Matt. 15:31-33) if they have already been separated by a Rapture when He comes?**

**Answer:** The Rapture doesn't occur at the Second Coming, so the sheep and the goats will need to be separated.

### **Question #6: At the end of the Millennium, where do the unbelievers in His kingdom come from (Rev. 20:7-10)?**

**Answer:** These are the people born during the Millennium. They are the descendants of the people saved after the Rapture who entered the Millennium in their natural bodies.

### **Question #7: How can Jesus "return from the wedding" if the wedding hasn't taken place (Luke 12:36)?**

**Answer:** The wedding, or marriage of Christ to His Church, has already taken place in heaven at the Rapture. The wedding feast, or marriage supper, occurs on earth after the Second Coming.

**Question #8: Who is the "one who restrains" that must be taken out of the way before the Antichrist is revealed (2 Thess. 2:7)?**

**Answer:** The Church is the biggest hindrance to the Antichrist coming to power and must be taken out of the way.

**Question #9: Why would Jesus prepare a place for us in heaven and then not take us there?** Jesus promised He would prepare a place for Christians in heaven, then would return to take us there (John 14:2-3). According to the post-tribulation theory, Jesus returns to earth and stays here with the Church.

**Answer:** A post-tribulation Rapture cannot explain John 14:2-3.

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