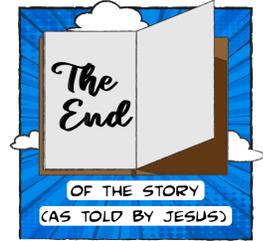


# Coming Events



## The Text: Matthew 24:15-20

**24:15** So when you see standing in the holy place 'the abomination that causes desolation,' spoken of through the prophet Daniel--let the reader understand.

### What/who is this?

**Daniel 9:27** He will confirm a covenant with many for one 'seven.' In the middle of the 'seven' he will put an end to sacrifice and offering. And on a wing of the temple he will set up an abomination that causes desolation, until the end that is decreed is poured out on him.

### What are we to understand? See 24:16-29.

**24:30** At that time the sign of the Son of Man will appear in the sky, and all the nations of the earth will mourn. They will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of the sky, with power and great glory.

## Three Scenarios: The relationship between Christ's return and the Great Tribulation

### 1. Pre-tribulationism (rapture at the beginning of the tribulation)

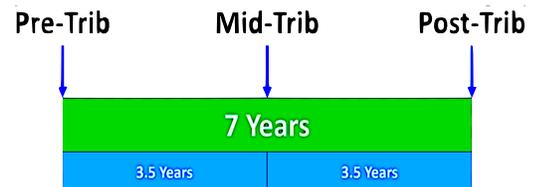
**1 Thessalonians 4:17** After that, we who are still alive and are left will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And so we will be with the Lord forever.

"caught up" (rapture) Greek: harpazo = caught up, seize, catch away, pluck pull, take by force

### 2. Mid-tribulationism (rapture at the midpoint of Tribulation)

**Daniel 12:11** From the time that the daily sacrifice is abolished and the abomination that causes desolation is set up, there will be 1,290 days. (1,290 = 3 1/2 years)

### 3. Post-tribulationism (1 Thessalonians 4:17 & Matthew 24:30 occur at the same time.)



*The Bible tells us that Jesus is coming back, but does not spell out some of the details.*

**GOD WANTS IT TO BE A \_\_\_\_\_ !**

He wants us to \_\_\_\_\_.

### What can we learn about the future?

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**A Sinner's Prayer:** Lord, I am a sinner who has offended you. Please forgive me. I believe that Jesus Christ died on the cross for my sins and I place my trust in Christ's sacrifice as the only way to be right with you. Thank you for loving me and coming into my heart. I want to follow You and do Your will in my life. In Jesus' name, amen.