

It's About Time (part 4)

Introduction

I. The 5 Broad Categories

- Preterism
- Historicism
- Idealism
- Futurism
- Eclecticism

II. The 3 Millennial Views

- Amillennial
- Postmillennial
- Premillennial

III. The 5 Views of the Rapture

Pretribulation

Partial Rapture

Midtribulation

Prewrath

Posttribulation

Reasons people reject the pretrib view

- 1) No Rapture View
- 2) Minimalist View
- 3) Not in the Bible
- 4) Recent in Church History
- 5) Escapist

7 Arguments in Favor of the Pretrib View

Place of the Church in Revelation

Rapture v. Return

Rapture

Comes in the air

For His saints

Christ gathers His own

No signs

Blessing and comfort

Not in the OT

Occurs in a moment (sudden)

Only believers will see Him

Return

Comes to earth

With His saints

Angels gather the elect

Many signs

Destruction

Predicted in the OT

Occurs over some period of time

Every eye will see Him

Exemption from Divine Wrath

1 Thessalonians 1:9-10

1 Thessalonians 4:13—5:9

1 Thessalonians 5:1-5

1 Thessalonians 5:9

Conclusion