

TRANSCRIPT

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Praise the Lord.

You know, it seems like it's been forever since I've been back here.

Amen.

But the Lord has been keeping us pretty busy in the ministry.

I'll be going to Boston later on tonight, spend the night over there.

I was my friend, Dr. Todd Baker.

And tomorrow morning, him and I are going to be flying out to Israel.

Now I was supposed to be there last April.

But then Israel, the U.S. and Iran had a tip for cat.

And so the war broke out.

Iran was firing in missiles over there into Israel.

Israel was attacking Iran.

And so we probably thought it was best that we postponed that April trip.

But things seem to be a little bit somewhat normal,

even though there's still some tip for cat going on.

But Dr. Baker and I will be leaving for the early land.

This will be my 40th trip to Israel.

My 40th trip.

And I am excited to get back to the Holy Land.

And as you well know, when I'm going there to talk.

Okay, when I'm going over there for seeing, I do that.

My troops in the fall with me.

But we're going over there as you well know to evangelize.

We're going to the Holy, share the gospel with the Jewish people.

And I praise the Lord for a company out there called Sar,

to a Sar is Prince L. God. Prince of God.

Sar L. Toys.

They provide the Bibles for Dr. Baker and I to distribute

when we touch down there in Israel.

We have a couple of Bibles.

We take back with us to the states.

And we bring them back to Israel.

And so the moment we land in Tel Aviv and we go through customs and get our luggage.

We don't go to the whole Tel Aviv.

We go to the Dees in Goff Mall.

So a huge mall in Tel Aviv.

And we go in there and we go one-on-one in sharing the gospel.

Why do I do that?

Because I want to see the Jews in the Pews.
But in order for the Jews to be in the Pews, the Jews need to hear the good.
The good news, amen.
And you know, Romans 1/16 has not gone out of date, amen.
It is valet today as it was when Paul penned it 2,000 years ago.
I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ.
But it is the power of God and the salvation to everyone who believe it 2,000 years ago.
And then also to the Greek, or to the Gentile.
When Jesus conducted his ministry in 2000 years ago in the first century AD, he said,
Matthew 10, 5 and 6, Matthew 15, 24, I go to the sheep.
Not the safe sheep.
I go to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.
Why would Jesus say the lost sheep because they are lost?
For the past 2000 years, Israel has been in a state of unbelief.
Case in point when we were there last December during Hanukkah.
We were at the Temple Institute where they make it all the preparations for the rebuild
and a third Jewish temple, prophesied in Bible prophecy.
The annual 927, Matthew 24:15, second-test loaning chapter 2, verse 3 and 4.
And as with teaching, this "Hacetic Guy," approaches me, thank you brother, this "Hacetic Guy"
approaches me, and interrupts us, right in the middle of our teaching.
And he says, "Hey, are you teaching Torah?"
I said of course we teach the Torah, the five books and what we call the pen and two, right?
I said of course we teach the Torah, I teach the Torah, I teach the Naviim, the prophets,
and the Catulabim, the writings of Jewish division of the Old Testament, but then Dr. Baker.
Looked at him and said, "Yeah, and we also teach the Barikha, the Shah."
That's Hebrew for New Testament.
He went nuts.
You know what he did?
He went up to my camera and he shut the power off.
"Yeah, you shut the power off."
You know, teach, you don't know, Testament here.
We don't believe in the New Testament.
I said, "Well, you better believe it."
You want to know why?
Because it was written by your very flesh and blood.
It was written by the Jewish people.
Right here in this very land, was written in the United States, was written anywhere else.
It was written there in the land of Israel by Jews.
He went nuts.
And he said, "I'm going to call the cops on you right now."
I'm like, "Sir, we're not bothered, anybody. We're just here teaching and bringing the gospel
to where it originated right there in the land of Israel."
I'm going to call the police and as he screaming and yelling at us, people from the Temple
Institute, from the surrounding soils are all coming up in the gathering and seeing what
all the ruckus is all about.
And he just, "I want to make sure you guys are in jail, is that doesn't intimidate us?
It didn't intimidate the Lord Jesus.
Did it intimidate the Apostle Paul?"
No, we go to the Jew first and also to the Greek or the Gentile.

Not only do we share the gospel with the Jews, we share it with the Arab as well.
But you got to understand something.
Even though Israel is a democracy, the gospel is the enemy over there.
But should that surprise you?
Because we know exactly what Bible prophecy says about this.
Israel is in a state of unbelief and that will be the case up until that unbelief turns
to belief.
When one day, the Lord Jesus Yeshua Hamashiyah, Jesus the Messiah, will return at a second
comment, write in on a white horse.
All Israel shall be saved.
That's Romans 11 and verse 26, "They shall look upon me whom they have pierced."
And that rejection has been going on for the past two millennia, for the past two thousand
years.
That the Lord Jesus himself to weep because He knew the nation would reject them.
Two thousand years ago, He's on one of my favorite places.
I love to bring my 12 groups.
He's on the Mount of Wallace.
Because that's where we gave the all of it discourse in Matthew 24.
On the end-time preview of what's going on to happen in the not-to-distant future.
When He's come and down from the opposite side of the Mount of Wallace, He's leaving
Bethany and He's coming down the Mount of Wallace.
In the moment, He comes down on the Mount of Wallace.
He's viewing the city of Jerusalem.
He's looking at the temple and the Lord begins to cry.
Can you imagine the creator of the universe?
God in human flesh is weeping over the city of Jerusalem, because they rejected him on that
very day.
I agree it.
Matthew 23:37, He says, "Oh Jerusalem, Jerusalem, now the kill is the prophets and stone
which are sent unto thee."
How often would I gather thy children together, even as a chicken would gather her wings under
her wings.
But ye would not.
You'd have nothing to do with me.
Then He puts a bull's high on the temple.
He says, "Yeah, see that temple right there?
You can kiss it goodbye.
It's going to come down stone by stone."
And that was fulfilled.
40 years later, with General Titus and the tenth role in the kingdom came into Jerusalem.
At the city, destroyed Jerusalem, the temple and scattered the Jews to the four corners of
the earth.
Why?
Because they rejected the time of their visitation.
But Jesus said, "The next time you see me is real, you're not going to reject me.
The next time you see me, you will cry out.
But Rukhabab, the Shem of the Night."
Amen.
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

That's why we do what we do.

That's why we go to Israel twice a year in the whole with Jews and Harry.

So I would ask you to keep us in prayer.

July 15th, the 26th will be there for two weeks, evangelize them in the gospel, to shop them all as restaurants wherever the Lord opens the door.

We're going to go one-on-one and share them in the gospel with the Jewish people.

But my favorite place to share the gospel, believe it or not, is in the go-on heights.

It's like a buffer zone between Israel, to the east, and Syria, to the west.

And we go to a mountain mentioned in the Bible.

And as we approach this mountain, there is a military base there of IDF soldiers, Israeli soldiers.

And I will gather snacks for them, the Word of God, Hebrew gospel tracks, and we go to these soldiers and we share the gospel them.

And then I love laying this on them, "Brother," say, "Hey guys, do you want to know what happened on this mountain to 1,000 years ago, Mazir?"

What happened?

2,000 years ago.

Yeshua.

Jesus and His Talmud team, His disciples were on this mountain and guess what happened to Yeshua on this mountain?

He was transfigured.

How do you know that?

How do you know what was this mountain?

Well, what ancient city is at the foot of this mountain?

It's called Mount Hermon, the mountain.

Mount ancient city is at the very foot of this mountain.

On Cessaria Philippi, all, well, then go to 16 and it was right there at Cessaria Philippi, that Peter confessed Jesus to be the one, the face, the son of the living God.

Then it says, "Six day later, Jesus takes with him Peter, James and John to a high mountain."

Then go, this is where I have it right here, Har, Hermon, Mount Hermon.

It's the highest mountain in Israel, some 9,222 feet high.

The following year, when we went back, Har, Hermon, same idea of soldiers, nobody said to us.

He says, "Hey, I remember you guys, I'm like, oh, that's not so good."

I'm like, "Okay, because you gave us the snacks.

You gave us the Bible and all this literature."

I'm like, "Okay."

He says, "I want to let you know something."

What's that?

I want to let you know that I put my faith in trust and Yeshua as my Savior and my Messiah.

Man, it doesn't get me, but God, all the glory for that, amen.

But that's what it's all about.

Now, sometimes, I'll get some criticism, how many Jews of you want to live in, Israel?

I'll let you know when I get to heaven.

But right now, our job is to go over to implant that seed in the hearts of unbelieving Israelis and unbelieving Israeli Arabs.

That is my copy, that is my job, that's exactly what I do.

So, if you can please keep us in prayer, I want to appreciate that, I'm looking for the going back to the Holy Land, be away from my precious wife for two weeks, but I'm looking for the going back to the Holy Land and planting that seed and sharing the gospel of Jesus

Messiah.

If you've never been to Israel, you need to go.

Israel, you've been with us, and Israel, and Jordan.

And I love teaching Bible prophecy on location.

We were going to do one this fall, but we decided, let's wait till 2027.

So, I'm told, I'm told, I'm told by 2027, I want to invite you to join my wife and I in Israel, Greece and Turkey.

And Turkey will visit the ruins of Ephesus.

That's where Paul the Apostle established a church in Acts chapter 19.

And after Paul died, John the Apostle goes over there, he takes over the work as the pastor of the church at Ephesus before he was arrested by him back when he was going to take the priest.

If you'd like to go with us, it's going to be 14 days.

If you'd like to join us, see me at the end of the service.

I'll tell you exactly what you need to do.

What that said, I want to invite you to open your Bibles to the first Thessalonians.

First Thessalonians chapter number five.

That's where we're going to be at.

First Thessalonians chapter number five.

I want to talk about briefly this morning, the times and the seasons, the times and the seasons.

Seven in the time and the seasons of the Lord's soon return, I believe so.

So let's look at first Thessalonians chapter five and we'll look at the first nine verses please.

If you'd like to stand and find it, go on to all of the word of God.

I would appreciate that.

First Thessalonians chapter five and we'll read verses one through nine.

Notice what Paul says, you might want to highlight this.

But of the times and seasons, you might want to highlight that, okay?

But of the times and the seasons, brethren, talking to us, you have no need that I write on to you.

For yourselves, no perfectly, that the day of the Lord so come it as a thief in the night.

For when they shall say peace and safety then, sudden destruction come at upon them.

As Trevela, upon a woman with child and day, shall not escape.

But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief.

Here are all the children of light and the children of the day we are not at the night, no darkness.

Therefore, let us not sleep as do others, but let us watch and be sober.

For they that sleep, sleep in the night and they to be drunk in our drunk in the night.

So let us, who are of the day, be sober, put it on the breastplate of faith and love.

And for an helmet, the hope is salvation, but look at verse 9, this is great.

For God, have not, have not appointed us to rap.

But to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ, doesn't that sound great?

Christian, you have not been appointed on to rap.

Because anybody left behind after the rapture, left on earth, will go through one of the most unprecedented seven-year period in human history, the Tribulation period.

Let's have a winner, prayer.

Father and heaven, thank you once again for this opportunity to be here at First Baptist Church and to stand behind this sacred desk, open your holy word, and Father to look at the

truths laid out in the Scriptures and Lord, I'm so grateful that we have a blessed hope to look forward to because this world is not our final home.

We are not to get comfortable in this world, we have to evangelize the world, share the gospel with the world, but not to live as the world, because we have that blessed hope of Titus chapter 2, verse 13, "When one day the Lord Jesus will shout, the Archangel will shout, the trumpet, or that chauffeur will sound, and all the born again dead in Christ, are coming out of those graves, and Christians alive at the time of the rapture will rise to meet them in the air and the Lord Jesus will take us to the Father's house, and I'm grateful for a Paul set of Jerusalem that we have not been appointed on to wrath. That's why Jesus said, "Let not your heart be troubled." Paul tells us to comfort one another with these words, and so Father, as a days go by, help us love to be a light to a lost world where people are either one trumpet sound away from being left behind at the rapture, or one heartbeat away from a Christless eternity in hell. And so Father, thank you for what you're about to do now, help me Lord to preach this message, and may it be beneficial to the heroes who are here this morning. We ask all these things in Jesus' name we pray, and all of God's people said, amen, amen, amen, you may be seated, thank you so much.

Folks for the past two millennia, for the past two thousand years, the church, us, the Bible, have waited in expectation of Jesus' true return to call His church out of the world for the day of the Lord come answers. And if you look at verse number two for you, for yourselves know perfectly that the day the Lord so come as a thief and the night. We just read that script to this morning for the day the Lord will come as a thief and the night in which the heavens will be destroyed or be the elements shall melt with fervent heat. The dead Lord is the coming wrath of God. You gotta remember something, folks. God has two natures. We always talk about one nature, but we'll leave about the other nature. God is a God of love, is he not? Amen. We all know John 3:16 for God so loved off, where all that He gave is only because of the Son that who's why we believe with the mission of a parish, but has ever lasted life, but he has also a God of wrath. He's a God of wrath and God will punish sin and that is clearly evident in the Word of God. The day the Lord will be that future seven-year period of trepulation to come, but yourselves know perfectly, unambiguously, that the day the Lord will come as a thief for the night. So when the people in this world are getting so comfortable, you know, all relaxed, then verse three tells us this, "For when they shall say, "Hey, peace, safety then what happens?" What is your Bible say? "Sut in destruction, come at the palm them as trebale upon a one-way child and they shall not escape." When He says, "They," He's not referring to you, church. He's not referring to the Christians. The day of them out there, the unbelieving, unregenerate world, they will not escape. I'm here to tell you this morning, one day you will escape the coming nightmare. And that will be at the next main event on God's calendar of activities that we call the rapture of the church. So now He's addressing

us a verse four, but He brethren, unaudent doctors, that day overtake you as a thief. You're a children of light and a children of the day. We are not of the night nor of darkness. The day of the Lord is that period of time when God will one day intervene in the affairs of humanity.

He will intervene in the affairs of the nations of the world, and He will pour out His wrath on sinful rebellious humanity. You know, many have wondered, you know, on this one, why is it taken the Lord so long to fulfill His promises of returning? Why is it taking God so long to intervene in the affairs of this wicked world to stop the madness that's going on out there? Well, that was red to us this morning. We got the answer to that this morning during the Bible reading. Second Peter chapter three verse nine, the Lord is not slack concerning His promise as some in Conslactness, but as long suffering to us work, not willing that what? Any should perish, but that what? All, what's my definition of all? Remember, all means all, and that's all, all means all should come to repentance. God is long suffering. God is merciful. God is gracious. And He wants to see as many

men come to Christ as possible before He calls His church out of the world and He pulls out His wrath upon the nations of the world. Repentance is a biblical doctrine that unfortunately is being rejected in some Christian circles today, especially with a movement called a hyper-grace movement. The hyper-grace movement rejects the doctrine of repentance. Patty and I were in Walmart. And I saw a guy there that I used to go to church with for about five years or so. And we just got into a little bit of small talk. And all of a sudden, just out of the blue, he says, "Oh, you know Pastor August, I don't believe in repentance." I said, "Excuse me?" He goes, "I don't believe in repentance." I'm like, "So what you're saying is, 'Man does not need to repent.'" Is that what you're telling me? Yeah, I'm like, "Let me ask you something. What made you come to that conclusion?" Well, and this is the argument of the hyper-grace guys. I was reading the gospel of John. And repentance is found nowhere in the gospel of John. And I looked at him and I said, "So what?" Jesus, repentant, sitting on. Luke chapter 13, verses three and five, except he repent. He shall all likewise perish. Paul taught repentance. Acts 17:29. At the time of this ignorance, God winked at. And now command is all men everywhere to repent. And the reading this morning, second-fee is three-nine. God calls Paul all men everywhere to repent. Oh, because the word repent is not mentioned in the gospel of John, doesn't negate the fact that Jesus, Paul, the apostles, they all taught the doctrine of repentance. So then I turn the tables on him. I said, "Let me ask you a question." He says, "What's that?" I'm like, "You find the virgin birth in the gospel of John." Like, "Do you find the virgin birth in the gospel of John?" No, it's not there. So then do we now reject the doctrine of the virgin birth? Because it's not mentioned in the gospel of John, brother, he looked at me like a deer in a headlights man. I'm like, "Brother, do yourself a favor." Stop getting your doctrine from out there. Stop getting your doctrine from social media. Keep your nose in the Bible. To be I, be Ellie, yeah, that's the book for me. I stand alone on the KJB, the be I, be Ellie, read your Bible. Because I'm going to share a filthy word with you here today. This is a dirty, filthy word, and preach it might not have me back after this. Are you ready? Study. Don't throw anything at me now. That's a dirty word in the church. We don't study anymore. You know, with two busy watching all kinds of Christian TV and there's a lot of every seagull on there. We listen to a lot of Christian radio. There's a lot of every seagull on there as well. It's important that you read your Bible. Second, Timothy, two, fifteen. Study. Yeah, to show that I self-approved, not to me, or to pastor, but to who? To show that I self-approved, not to God, or work, man, that need to not to be the same, rightly divided in the world of two. Why? Second, Timothy, three, six, and 17. All scripture is given by what? Inspiration of God. That's a Greek word, Theo, Newstos. God, green, and it is profitable for what? A doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction and righteousness. That the man of God, or the woman of God, may be perfect, thoroughly furnished, unto all good, works all because a certain word is not found in the gospel of John. It doesn't negate the fact that the doctrine is taught in the Word of God. You need to watch all of these hyper-graced guys. God is long-suffering. He desires all men to be saved, and to come to the knowledge of truth before he pours out his wrath. He calls on man to repent. So when Paul the Apostle addressed the church at Tesla Nike, and about two years ago I was at Tesla Nike. In Greece, I taught my group over there at Tesla Nike on one of the great doctrines in the Bible, and that doctrine is the rapture of the church, and you've got some Christians to tell me we believe in the doctrine of the rapture. Well, you know, Brother August, I don't find the word rapture in the Bible, so I don't believe in the rapture. But what do you do at first, that's Lonion's four, 13 through 18, and Paul always used this phrase in his Paul in the Pistols, addressing the church, believers. You know what he says? Don't be ignorant. What he said? Not me, that's what he said. Don't be ignorant. I would not have to be ignorant, brethren. Talk to us. Concern on damage, I would sleep

the dead in Christ, that he saw or not, even as others would have no hope. For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, he was also then with sleep in Jesus, or God bring with him. But this we stand to you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord, shall not prevent or proceed damage, I would sleep for the Lord himself, shall be something heaven with us, shall, with the voice of the Archangel, with the Trump of God, and the dead in Christ, shall rise for us. Then we which are alive and remain, caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air, and so shall we ever be with the Lord wherefore, verse 18, comfort, one another with these words. You look at that word caught up in verse 17. The Greek is a parsing, meaning to seize, snatch away, take away by force. But in the Latin vulgate translation of the Bible, Jerome translated caught up in the Latin as raptor role, raptor role, where we get the English word rapture. It's the first person plural future indicative passage tense. The common of Jesus tries to snatch his church out of the world before the beginning of the final 70th week of Daniel's prophecy, all that seven-year period of tribulation. So, technically the word raptor is found in the Bible. You got some Christians that say, "Well, I don't believe in the millennial." Why? Because you can't find the word millennium in the Bible, so we now we throw out the baby with the bathwater. You just got to do your homework. You go to Revelation 20 on your own time, verses two through seven, and you'll see six times, not once, six times, thousand years, thousand years, thousand years, thousand years, thousand years. You look at that term, a thousand years, you divide it into two

Latin words. Malay, thousand, a num, years. So, combine those two Latin words, Malay, a num, millennium. What do we get? One thousand years. Just gotta do our homework. The millennium is biblical.

The raptor of the church is biblical as well. Paul describes the event. We call the raptor of the church, even though the word does not appear in our English Bibles. When we get to chapter five, of First Thessalonians, Paul is concluding his exaltations to the church at Thessalonite game concerning the expectation of Jesus soon returning. What he's telling us is that his return is so close at hand. We can almost hear that trumpet sound, man. But then Paul speaks of the times, and the seasons. Paul says you should be aware of this. As you know that, I'm writing this epistle to you to remind you how close his return is. I mean, think about it, 2000 years ago.

They were expecting Jesus to return in their lifetime. But that didn't happen. So now, 2000 years later, we, as the 21st century church, we are waiting for Jesus soon return, because seeing what's going on in the Middle East, what's going on all over the world, even in our own backyard folks, it's not going to get any better. I'm not a boom in doom guy. I'm just telling you what the Bible says. They, man, it's not going to get any better. It's only going to get worse and worse. How do I know? It's only going to get worse and worse. I just read my Bible. Second Timothy, 3:13, but evil men and seducer shall wax, not better and better, worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived. Because the greatest deception out there today, folks, is self-deception. That's why it is important. And I cannot emphasize this enough. It is extremely, it's important. It's imperative, folks, that you stay in the Word of God. Amen. It's important that you read, read, read your Bibles, because if you don't read

the scriptures, you're going to be taken by those false teachings out there. And let me tell you something,

they are everywhere. They're outside the church and yes, they're even within the church.

Study to show that I self-approved unto God, a workman, then he is not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the Word of truth. So when I was in Greece last year, I was just walking around, you know, Athens. And I noticed that I think it was a pharmacy. And it was a certain Greek word on that pharmacy that reminded me of First Lessonians chapter 5. And the name of this story was called, "Cronos, Cronos." What does Cronos mean in the Greek times? This is the exact word that Paul, the apostle, is using, of concern in the common of the Lord Jesus Christ. He says, "But of the times,

Cronos, and seasons, brethren, you have no need that I write unto you." So Paul used the word, "Time," that is a Greek word, "Cronos," and it denotes periods of time. Cronos is periods of time. Let me give you an example. The church age, which happened 2000 years ago from Pentecost, up until now, 2000 years, that is periods of time. That is 2000 years of church age history. There's no something. Jesus was on this earth, 730,500 days ago. 730,500 is exactly 2000 years, folks. That is periods of time. That's what the Greek word Cronos is all about. The church will be on this earth for an indefinite period of time until we're taken out of here at the rapture of the church. The rapture of the church will conclude 730,500 days of the church's existence on earth. That is Cronos. That is the periods of time that Paul uses. But then he also uses the word, "Seasons," he uses the word "Seasons," the Greek word for "Seasons," is Kairos. And that denotes specific points of time. For example, "Seasons," right? We have spring followed by summer followed by fall followed by winter. Those are specific points of times. But that's got to logically speak in. Biblical speak in. These specific points of time can conclude, or I should say, include the tribulation period. The second coming of Jesus Christ, the millennial kingdom and the saddest judgment of the man in the Bible, the great white, throne, judgment. Let's back up a little bit. He was back up to Romans chapter 13. Let's go to Romans 13.

Romans 13 verse number 11. Romans chapter 13 will look at verses 11 and 12. Notice what Paul does here. Romans chapter 13 and will look at verses 11 and 12.

I'm going to go ahead and read. Romans 13 11 and 12 and that knowing the what, then we believe. If Paul would have made that statement 2,000 years ago, I mean man 2,000 years later, how close can it be? How close can the rapture of the church be? Look at verse 12. The night is far spent. The day is at hand. That's the rapture.

Let us therefore cast off the works of darkness and let us put on the armor of light. So Paul is telling us that knowing the time of Jesus coming for his bride is now it's high time to acknowledge the time that it is drawing near our salvation ladies and gentlemen is nearer than we believe. The night is far spent after 700,500 days for 2000 years. The day of Jesus' return is at hand. I'm hitting tell you it's imminent people say well no brother August that's what the rapture is. I thought it was going up there for a moment.

And that has to be fulfilled and that has to take place. No, nothing has to be fulfilled.

No signs precede the rapture and no prophecies have to be fulfilled. He's going to come like a thief in the night. This world is going to be caught off guard. See you can prepare for a blizzard and man, do we have a blizzard last year or earlier this year should say you can prepare for a blizzard. You can prepare for a hurricane. You can prepare for disasters you can see from afar.

How do you prepare for the rapture? There's only one way you can prepare for the rapture.

For the rapture and that is to be as they say in the south. Born again. Call upon the name of the Lord. Be born again through the spirit of God. Religion can't take you to heaven.

Be in a member of First Baptist Church cannot take you to heaven. Be rebaptized as you well know, cannot take you to heaven. Jesus said in John 3:3 John 3:7 except the man be

born again. He cannot enter into the kingdom of God. That is the only way that you can prepare for the next main event on God's calendar activities that we call the rapture of the church. The night is far spent folks were on bottle time. Let me just say that. We are on bottle time.

We are running on tombs. I believe the Lord Jesus could come at any moment. His return is imminent. The

show for that trumpet is about to sound. Let's go quickly to a theme to chapter 5 verse 16, please. Ephesians chapter 5 and verse number 16.

And what Paul is saying to the church at Ephesus and man, I had a great time when we visited Ephesus last year. What Paul is saying, he somewhat used a live in a strong language here, but he's trying to communicate an absolute truth here. Look at verse 15, Ephesians 5:15.

See then that you walk, circumspectly, carefully, not as fools, but as wise. Now notice verse 16. Redeem in the, Kronos, same Greek word, Kronos. Redeem in the time, why? Because the days are people.

The days are evil. And they're going to intensify and become more evil, more wicked, as Jesus Christ is about to call His church, us out of this world. So what he's telling us is that, let's redeem the time because the days are evil, Kronos. The time period of the church is coming to a final conclusion. We must make the most of every opportunity folks to share the gospel with Jews and Gentiles before that day comes. The days are evil. And the reason why the days are evil because there's a God in this world. I'm not talking to Capitol G. I'm talking to small G. You know who the God of this world is? Satan is the God of the, how do I know that? I read a second Corinthians 4-4 and whom the God of this world has blinded the minds of those who believe not less the light of glorious gospel of Christ should shine upon them and they get saved. Satan is the God of this world. That's why this world is in such a mess. He's a master at deception. Is he not? He's a master. The ultimate master, the ultimate, Jesus described them perfectly in John 8:44 when addressing the Pharisees year of your father the devil and the lust of your father he will do. He was a murderer from the beginning. That takes you back to Genesis 4 with the first murder in the Bible.

Cain and Abel. He was a murderer from the beginning and a bold man in the truth because there is no truth in them. And when he speaks at the light, he speaks at that was on. For he has a liar and the father of it.

Jesus also referred him in John 12:31 as the Prince of this world. Paul refers to him in 2 Corinthians 11:14 as one who can transform into an angel of light and you want to know what Satan's greatest weapon is. Are you ready for this? It's going to blow your mind. Satan's great weapon. You're ready? It's religion. Let that sink into the deck of Sarah Bellon for a moment.

His greatest weapon is religion and he knows how to use it. It breaks my heart when I drive by certain churches on Sunday and I see these people flooding into churches and Steve and not one of them

have a Bible on their hands. I mean, how can you go with church and not have a Bible in your hand? That is God's love letter to you. Was it not? The Bible is God's love letter to humanity and he wants us to read it. He wants us to study. Not just to read and study, but folks memorize it. I love memorizing scripture. Since I got say, April 22nd, 1988, 10:49 am on a Thursday morning. The first thing I did was memorize scripture. Why? Because I want to be ready to give an answer. Not that I know what all because I don't, but I want to be ready to give an answer to every man that asks at the hope of the reason in us with weakness and with fear. That's what Peter said in first Peter chapter three and verse number 15. We are living and I'm going to close on his thought here. We are living in the seasons, Chyros, where the world is about to go through one of the most unprecedented events in human history and praise God because you're saying, you've been born again, you've been washed by the blood of the lamb, amen? Our salvation is sealed. Don't you love that? You can't lose your salvation. I can't understand how people can teach the total opposite.

At New Common God a liar if you think you can lose your salvation. You never earn it in the first place.

So how could you lose it? Paul said we are sealed. Ephesians 4:30 ready. We are sealed onto the day of redemption. The greater part of our salvation will be realized.

When a trumpet sounds you and all the born again dead in Christ from panacross up until now coming up out of those graves. Six feet further but they go for us. They're going to come out of the whole graves. You say, well, are they asleep? Are they so sleepy? No, I don't believe in so sleep. That's false doctrine. No such thing called so sleep. The only thing that sleeps in the grave is that empty shell. A body without the soul and spirit suffers what physical death. Paul says

to be absent from the body, right? It's to be what? Present with the Lord. Now, I'm 100% sure about this here.

I'm looking at all of you this morning. You are at home in the body. Which means you're absent from who?

The Lord Jesus Christ, right? How do I know you are at home in your body? You're looking at me. You're breathing. The heart is pumping blood. Your soul and spirit out within you within this sinful tent. But when a person dies, their soul and spirit departs this body and goes into eternity. If you're saved, you're going to be in the very presence of Jesus Christ, amen? If you're not saved, you won't be in his presence. The Bible says that you will go to a place called hell.

We won't even want to preach on hell anymore. That's a system scary. It's biblical, folks.

You know, Jesus taught more on hell than he did on heaven. He taught more on hell than he did on heaven.

God is not willing that any should perish, amen? But all should come to repent. What has repented to me? Change of heart? Change of mind? Change of attitude? Realize, amen? I'm a sinner. You don't say hell over my head, do you? I'm like you. I'm a sinner, man. But I'm a sinner saved by the grace of God. When 38 years ago, I called upon the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and He saved this retro sinner. And my name is in the book of life. And now I have a home in heaven, waited for me, and so do you,

if you're born again. Jesus didn't come to give you religion. Amen? He came to give you a relationship. Religion may take you into a church building. Jesus Christ will take you to heaven, amen? That's why says you must be born again. Get saved and avoid what is to come and we know exactly what's coming church. I don't need to go to some so-called psychic, which I don't believe in those people anyway.

Well, some of who claims I can see your future through a crystal ball. That's all, that's all belonging, amen? I know what's going to happen in the future. And you know how I know? Read the book. We know exactly what's coming. Read the book of Daniel. Read the book of Revelation.

I have a couple of comments I've written out there on Daniel and Revelation that's available on the table. The Bible tells us that a future 70th week of Daniel's prophecy will come upon this world after the church has been taken out of here. You get left behind after the rapture. God have mercy on you. It's going to be one of the most horrific unprecedented 7-year parents to come. Jesus talked about it, right? Matthew 24-25. He said for the end-times of the tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, never shall be. The 70 weeks of Daniel's prophecy, you know, close right here. The 70 weeks of Daniel's prophecy. 69 of those 70 weeks have already literally been fulfilled. The 69th week ended at the crucifixion of the Messiah. Well, I love sharing that with Jews, man. You went so what is it in Israel? Well, you know, we're coming from here. When they say, like, say, to Baron or myself, oh, you Christians, you have your Messiah. We're still waiting for our Messiah. Listen, if he's not the Messiah for the Jews and the Messiah for the Christians either, you can't have your cake and you need to do. I said, hey, by the way, who have I? I'm sure you're familiar with Daniel 9-24-27, right? Because it gives us a timeline for the common on the Messiah, not just for the common on the Messiah, but the death of the Messiah. And man, they shy away from Daniel 9-24. It's like putting garlic to a vampire, man. You know, it's like, I can't get that out of you. You know, they tell their people in the synagogue, two passages, you don't read. We'll interpret a few. That sounds familiar. That sounds familiar. You don't read Isaiah 53, and you don't read Daniel 9-24-27. Why don't you want your people to read Isaiah 53? Because Isaiah 53 talks both the Messiah who would suffer for the sins of all humanity. The Rabbi should try to turn that around and say, oh, that's talking about the sufferings of the nation of Israel. Really, how can Israel die for the sins of Israel? Come on, that makes no sense at all. Isaiah 53 talks about one man who would die for the sins of all. And Daniel 9-24-27 tells us that Jesus came and he was crucified. His crucifixion ended the 69 weeks of Daniel's prophecy,

but Daniel tells us the 79 weeks of Ottoman fulfilled how many weeks of left? Do them out? What is that one week? A final seven-year period of tribulation come. If you don't get right, you're going to get left. If you don't get right, you're going to get left. The specific point of time, or seasons, Cairo, is on the horizon. But before that season begins, the church is taken out at the rapture of the church. And that's why Paul told the church at Corinth.

In 1 Corinthians 15, 51, 52, he says, "Behold, I show you a mystery." What's a mystery in the Bible? The Greek word is a mystery on. Something previously hidden, but has now been brought to life. Behold, I show you a mystery. We talk about Christians. We shall not all sleep. Think about that. This coming to generation of born-again Christians, you, that will not experience physical death in the whole lifetime. This is not so great. So what if you die? Well hey, that's out of my hands. I have no control over that. If I died before the rapture, I told my wife, put this on my headstone.

He realized Brother August was out of only rent in this spot. We'll be leaving soon.

But if I'm alive at the time of the rapture, hey, that works for me too, amen.

We shall not all sleep. We shall all be changed in a moment. In the 2011 eye at the last trunk. For the trumpet shall sound. And the dead shall be raised incorruptible. And we shall be changed, man alive. We're going to be changed from mortal to immortal, from corruptible to incorruptible, from perishable to imperishable. And faster than you can blink a human eye, bye-bye. You're going to receive a glorified body. You'll be thrown pitches at 350 miles enough. Perfect! We're going to have a perfect body. But before you can have the tribulation up next, the rapture, the church.

Sound of the trumpet. The sound of the show file. So get ready. Keep looking up.

Pray, marina, even so come. Lord Jesus.

Come up, Heather. Glory!

And he will pick it up home. And you know how long we're going to be in heaven for. Help me out here.

You know how long we'll be in heaven for!

Just a brief seven years in heaven, folks, while the earth below is going to a what?

Seven-year period of tribulation. Just thinking about that just makes the hair of my arms stand up.

A praise God. We're not going to be here for that amen. Jesus promised to take us out of the world before that hour of temptation before that final seven-year period to come. So if you don't know the Lord Jesus Christ, hey, you at the right place at the right time, amen. No accident that you're here, man. Get saved before you walk out those doors. This is how we had bought it right close.

We're going to be dismissed. We have every had bought it right close. If you're sitting here, this morning, you're saying August, I don't have that assurance. You're going to have everyone I die. I don't have that assurance. I want to have that assurance, but I don't have that assurance.

If my heart stopped beating right now, I think that's the split hell I opened.

Well, Trump and Real Shoal file was a sound. I think it might be the only person left I'm sitting in the pew at first Baptist church. I don't want to be left behind.

I don't want to die and go to help for the rest of eternity. August, I need to be safe.

Now, if I'm talking to you, would you let past the barren and myself pray for you? Would you let us pray for you? By raising your hand where you're sitting, all your asking us to do is to pray for you. Not going to embarrass anybody or call anybody else or ask for your name. All we want to do is pray for you. Do we have anyone like that here this morning at first Baptist church? August pray for me,

I need to be saved. Anybody at all? Anyone at all? I see that hand God bless you. I saw that hand praise the Lord. Thank you. Thank you. Would there be another hand here? August pray for me. I need to be

saved. I want to be ready. Jesus didn't give me religion. He wants to give me a relationship. Anybody else?

All right, let me ask you this. If you are saved, born again, wash by the blood of the lamb, if you are

saved, would you raise your hand as a testimony? If you are saved, would you raise your hand as a testimony?

Praise the Lord. Praise the Lord. Many, many, many hands. Thank you so much. You could put those hands down.

Thank you. For those who raise their hand, signify that they need to be saved. Salvation is as simple as A, B, C. It's so simple to call upon the name of the Lord. Ask Jesus Christ to come into your heart into your life to be your Lord and personal savior. You say, August, how can I do that? You can pray something like this. It's not the prayer that saves you. You're praying to the one who can't save you. The only one who can save you a man and that's Jesus Christ. So you can pray something like this and you mean it with all your heart. You're ready? Praise something like this. Gracious Heavenly Father, I am a sinner. We have all sinned and we all deserve your judgment. We all deserve your wrath. But God, thank you for loving me and sending your son to die for my sins. Lord Jesus right now, I ask you to come into my heart and be my Lord in personal savior. Wash my sins away by your precious blood. Forgive me of all my sins and I right now receive you as my Lord in personal savior. Jesus, thank you for saving me this morning. I ask all these things in your precious name. Well, nobody looking, nobody looking. If you just prayed that prayer, would you just slip that hand up and

put it down? If you just prayed that prayer, just slip your hand up and put it down. Praise God. I saw that hand. If I see another hand over, I saw that hand to God bless you. I just saw that hand over there as well.

Did anyone else just pray that prayer this morning? August, I just prayed and trusted in Jesus Christ. This is my personal savior. Praise the Lord. Two hands will not praise God. After the service, see pass the barren and you let him know what you did so that he can help you. Follow the Lord and believers baptism and be ready to serve the Lord Jesus Christ and to be prepared for that next event. We call the rapture. Father, we thank you for the hands up when up Lord. The two hands up when up signifying that they put their faith in trust in the Lord Jesus as their personal savior.

Father, I ask that you would work in their hearts and you would work in their life. You would say to God, "The Spirit to serve the Lord right here at First Baptist Church."

Father, I thank you so much for the opportunity to come back here and stand behind this sacred desk to minister to your people and I pray Lord that we would build upon what we learned here this morning. Help us to build on that Lord. Help us to have that spiritual foundation so that we can have a biblical world view. A lot of churches today have lost their biblical world view.

We need a biblical world view. We don't need the doctrines of men. We don't need the doctrines of social

media. We don't need the doctrines of the world. We need the doctrine of God and that doctrine comes from

this very Bible. And so, Father, thank you for what you're about to do now. We ask you pray that you will

be done. We ask all these things and Jesus name we pray and all of God's people said, AMEN