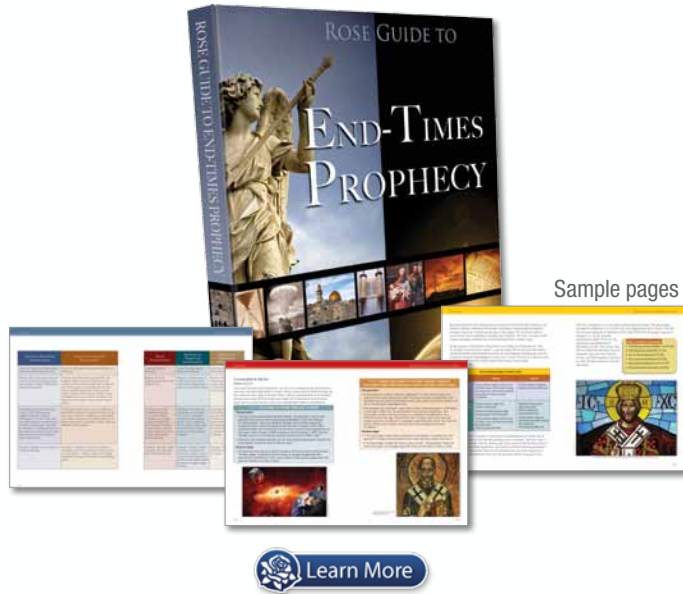


# THREE VIEWS OF RAPTURE

- Amillennialists, postmillennialists, and historical premillennialists see that the rapture and the return *happen immediately after one another*.
- Dispensational premillennialists take the “blessed hope” and the “appearing of the glory” to *occur at different times*. According to most dispensationalists, seven years or more may separate the rapture of the church from the return of Jesus.

## THREE VIEWS OF RAPTURE AND RETURN

Dispensational Premillennialism	Amillennialism and Postmillennialism	Historical Premillennialism
<p>The rapture of the church and the return of Jesus to earth occur at different times. They are separated by 7 years or more.</p>	<p>The rapture of the church and the return of Jesus to earth happen together. This event will occur at the end of the millennium.</p>	<p>The rapture of the church and the return of Jesus to earth happen together. This event will occur immediately before the millennium.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The return of Jesus to earth will occur some time after the rapture of the church.</li> <li>• Most dispensationalists place the rapture before the tribulation and the return at the end of the tribulation, immediately before the millennium.</li> <li>• The church will be caught up to meet Jesus (1 Thessalonians 4:13–18; Revelation 4:1–2); the church will return to earth after the tribulation as part of the Messiah’s royal retinue (Revelation 19:14).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The return of Jesus to earth will occur immediately after the rapture of the church.</li> <li>• The rapture will occur at the end of the millennium.</li> <li>• The church will be caught up to meet Jesus (1 Thessalonians 4:13–18; Revelation 19:7–9) and will then immediately return to earth as part of the Messiah’s royal retinue (Revelation 19:14).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The return of Jesus to earth will occur immediately after the rapture of the church.</li> <li>• The rapture will occur after the tribulation and before the millennium.</li> <li>• The church will be caught up to meet Jesus (1 Thessalonians 4:13–18; Revelation 19:7–9) and will then immediately return to earth as part of the Messiah’s royal retinue (Revelation 19:14).</li> </ul>



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