

HOW TO BE READY FOR THE COMING RAPTURE

Matthew 24:44

INTRO. The natural man and average Christian **are not** ready for the coming rapture. God's next move is upward and will be **sudden** !

If **you** are going to be ready - you will need to.....

1. Have the blood of Christ covering your soul. The blood is the dividing line between the saved and the lost (Exodus 12:13).
 - A. NOT when I see your good works, good deeds, church membership,
BUT - when I see the blood.
 - B. The blood provides
Life - Exodus 12:13 Light - Exodus 10:22,23;
Position - Exodus 12:13; Protection - Exodus 12:13 -
2. Have the Spirit of God dwelling in you. (Romans 8:9,11)
 - A. The Holy Spirit makes us (spiritually) alive - John 6:63; Eph. 2:1
 - B. The Holy Spirit will take us out of this world
3. It is important how we leave the world.
 - A. You can go and not be ready - as Lot left Sodom
(Luke 21:34-36; 1 John 2:28)
 - B. Remember the Judgment seat of Christ. Rewards or loss
4. To be busy for the Lord
 - A. He left us a great commission - Matthew 28:18-20
 - B. He has placed us so that we could be fruitful - John 15:16
 - C. We should be serious about our opportunity to serve such a great God - Ecclesiastes 6:10
5. Be free from the blood of all men - Acts 20:26,27
 - A. The reason to always be witnessing -Ezekiel 33:7-10
 - B. Malachi 3:6 Hebrews 13:8
6. Be filled with the Spirit - Ephesians 5:18
7. Be looking for His coming - Hebrews 9:28

