

Questions and Answers

Foundation Scriptures

Mat 24:35 Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away.

Joh 17:15 I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil.

Rev 21:7 He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he shall be my son.

Rev 3:5 He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life, but I will confess his name before my Father, and before his angels.

Question 1

Why do all pastors and teachers say that nobody can know when Jesus is returning? **Answer**
Matt 24:36 But of that day and hour knoweth no [man], no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only.

Act 1:7 And he said unto them, It is not for you to know the times or the seasons, which the Father hath put in his own power.

1Th 5:1 But of the times and the seasons, brethren, ye have no need that I write unto you.

1Th 5:2 For yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night.

2Th 2:1 Now we beseech you, brethren, by the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, and [by] our gathering together unto him,

2Th 2:2 That ye be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that the day of Christ is at hand.

2Th 2:3 Let no man deceive you by any means: for [that day shall not come], except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition;

2Th 2:4 Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God.

So only Our Heavenly Father knows the day and the hour; and it was not for the apostles and disciples in the days of Jesus to know the times and the seasons. But it is clear from 2 Thes 2:3 that today, in the ending days, we can know the times and the seasons.

In fact, in Matt 24:32-33, Jesus tells us of the sign of the fig tree, representing the re-birth of the nation of Israel. Actually, the entire chapter of Matt 24 is all about signs identifying the time and the seasons.

Question 2

With so many people having incorrectly declared the day or time of the return of Jesus, why does Pastor Joshua think that he has the right date?

Answer

Matt 18:16 But if he will not hear [thee, then] take with thee one or two more, that in the mouth of two or three witnesses every word may be established.

I present 2 sets of Scriptures, which simply and clearly show when Jesus is returning. There is no need to believe me. Believe the Scriptures.

Question 3

Scripture says in John 3:16 NKJV - 16 "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life." If a person is backsliding, how can he in the next life have a chance of being thrown into Hell/Lake of Fire if he was promised eternal life? It does say 'eternal' life.

Answer

"Believe in Him" is not mental assent, nor historical agreement. It is heart felt belief, which is heart faith. For the purpose of clarifying this question, a good definition of faith is from Heb 6:12 AMPC, which is "In order that you may not grow disinterested *and* become [spiritual] sluggards, but imitators, behaving as do those who through **faith (by their leaning of the entire personality on God in Christ in absolute trust and confidence in His power, wisdom, and goodness)** and by practice of patient endurance *and* waiting are [now] inheriting the promises.

This is how we inherit any and every promise. Being born again is not simply a question of obtaining "fire insurance". It is a commitment to Jesus as Lord. Rom 10:9 states that if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.

Notice that one has to confess (i.e., accept) Jesus as Lord), meaning committing to do what He says, then **in the future** s/he shall be saved. Confessing Jesus as Savior gets a person born again, but that is only the first part of the salvation package. The rest of the package requires living with Jesus as one's Lord; in other words, becoming an overcomer either in this life or during the millennium or possibly thereafter.

Question 4

In Rev. 21:7, if a person is saved but is not an overcomer, does it mean he does not inherit heaven and is not a son of God, therefore he is not saved?

Answer

Under this age, the Age of Grace, the spirits of all saved people who die will be with the Lord for to be absent from the body is to be with the Lord; but their bodies will be in the grave.

2Co 5:6 Therefore [we are] always confident, knowing that, whilst we are at home in the body, we are absent from the Lord:

2Co 5:7 (For we walk by faith, not by sight:)

2Co 5:8 We are confident, [I say], and willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord.

On the Last Day, which is the day of Judgment (Rev 20), the spirit and the body will be raised up together before God. This is not the Day of the Rapture nor the Day of the Lord.

Joh 11:23 Jesus saith unto her, Thy brother shall rise again.

Joh 11:24 Martha saith unto him, I know that he shall rise again in the resurrection at the last day.

Joh 11:25 Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live:

Joh 11:26 And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. Believest thou this?

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Question 5

Will Jesus come during the tribulation period?

Answer

In Rev 19:11-21, Jesus returns after the last of the Vial Plagues. The Vial Plagues are the last and worst of the three sets of judgments on unrepentant man. There are no specific Scriptures to support any secret, pre-tribulation rapture of the church; but the primary and secondary themes of the Bible all support a post-tribulation rapture. It is not a catching away to Heaven for a period of time but rather a catching up to **meet** the Lord, the King of Kings as He returns to earth.

This word “meet” (Strong 529) is used in only four places in the Bible. In the story of the 10 virgins, “meet” is used two times for the greeting of the bridegroom to bring him into the wedding feast (Matt 25:1 & 6). In Acts 28:15, it is used once for meeting with Paul to bring him into the city. Of course, the fourth time is here in 1Thes 4:17 in the Rapture, where the overcomers go up to meet the Lord and escort him back to the earth.

Question 6

Would you make a timeline or diagram of events as they unfold in the book?

Answer

I will do a teaching on the timeline after the video is released on youtube.

Question 7

Who is on earth during the Millennium? Is it only those who made it through the tribulation and rapture?

Answer

From the BOR Part 21 Chapter 19

Who are the remaining Groups of people on the earth?

- a) Those involved in the Battle of Armageddon are:
The antichrist (the beast), the false prophet and their armies.
Jesus, the saints from Heaven (including the resurrected dead in Christ) and those who have been raptured.
- b) Other groups, which are likely to remain after Armageddon are:
Believers who are alive and did not remain true to the Full Gospel but have not taken the mark of the beast (e.g., those in the Ark of Anointing).
Unbelievers who have not taken the mark of the beast. Possibly, these will have the opportunity to accept Jesus as Savior and Lord.
Unbelievers who did take the mark of the beast but did not participate in the Armageddon.
These will be destroyed with the Sword of the Spirit as in v 19:21.

Question 8

If we are alive for the rapture, then will we live on earth through the Millennium?

Answer

Believers, who are alive and are raptured, will live on earth through the Millennium.
Believers, who are alive but did not remain true to the Gospel will not be raptured. They will enter the Millennium but could die during that time.

Question 9

If we die before the rapture then will we be in Heaven with the Lord during the Millennium?

Answer

Believers, who die before the Rapture, will be with the Lord in Heaven before the Rapture. At the Rapture, Jesus returns to the earth to rule and reign for the 1000 years of the Millennium. Overcomers will return to the earth with Jesus.

What happens to the non-overcomers depends on what is the exact meaning of the “dead in Christ”. 1 Thes 4:16-17 states that the dead in Christ will rise and be caught up to meet Jesus at the Rapture. But the only dead in Christ mentioned in Chapter 20 after the Rapture are the martyrs who did die in Christ.

If dead in Christ means dying in faith, then most believers won't qualify. If dead in Christ means “in Christ and dead” (i.e., born again but dead), then all believers will be caught up with Jesus.

This no longer seems likely because a) They are not referenced in Chapter 20 and b) at the Day of Judgment, there will be dead whose names are still in the Book of Life.

Rev 20:5 But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished. This [is] the first resurrection.

Question 10

Will people die during the millennium, during the 1000 years?

Answer

Rev 20 tells us that the overcomers and the martyrs are not subject to the second death and so cannot die. But yes, other people can die during the millennium. It will be like the Garden of Eden. They can live the entire time and not die but on the day that any of these persons disobey God, (i.e., refuse to be obedient to the Rod of Iron) that person's spirit will die, just as Adam's did and then after a while, the body will die physically as did Adam's.

Question 11

If we already made it through the tribulation and rapture, can we sin during the Millennium?

Answer

All in the Millennium have free will and can therefore choose to sin EXCEPT for the overcomers and the martyrs. This is because they already made their choices, lived by their choices and now have the highest level of glorified bodies, like the body of Jesus. These glorified bodies cannot sin and are therefore not subject to the second death.

Rev 20:6 Blessed and holy [is] he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years.

Rev 3:12 Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of my God, and he shall go no more out: and I will write upon him the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God, [which is] new Jerusalem, which cometh down out of heaven from my God: and [I will write upon him] my new name.

Question 12

Where is Jesus during the Millennium?

Answer

Rev 19:15 and 20:4 state He will be on earth.

Rev 19:15 And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God.

Rev 20:4 And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and [I saw] the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received [his] mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years.

Question 13

Is the New Jerusalem on the earth or does it replace the earth? If it is on the earth, it will be a rather large cube.

Answer

Rev 21:1 And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea.

Rev 21:2 And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

Rev 21:3 And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God [is] with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, [and be] their God.

Yes, the New Jerusalem will be 3.375 billion cubic miles. It will reside on 2.25 million square miles of land. I believe that it will cover all the land which God gave to Abraham plus also sit on the lands of the nations which had previously taken Israel into captivity Iraq (Babylon), Iran (Persia) and Turkey (Ottoman Empire).

Question 14

Do people procreate or die during the Millennium?

Answer

They do both unless they have been resurrected.

Mat 22:30 For in the resurrection they neither marry, nor are given in marriage, but are as the angels of God in heaven.

Rev 20:6 Blessed and holy [is] he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years.

I don't know if those who were raptured will be able to procreate. My guess is that they have a choice.

Question 15

What are we doing with our time?

Answer

I don't know but I guess that we will be like Adam, tending the garden. I believe that the people outside of New Jerusalem will be living in an agrarian lifestyle, free of technology. Of course, there is always the possibility of new technology which does not have the negative side effects of our current technology

The Overcomers in New Jerusalem will be living creatively as befitting adults in the family of God and I believe that they will be creating anything which they desire with the words of their mouths.

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Question 16

Will life in the Millennium be like in the Garden of Eden?

Answer

Yes, in that, we have a wonderful life, are working together to make the world wonderful and can do anything we want except disobey God.

Question 17

Can I get a lake view?

Answer

Yes, I am sure you can; especially, since you are going to be an overcomer in the New Jerusalem.

Question 18

Is the last battle before or after the Millennium?

Answer

It depends on what you mean by the last battle. Many eschatologists in teaching on the Ending Days seem to equate the Battle of Armageddon with the attack of Gog and Magog. However, as you know, they occur 1000 years apart in time.

1) Armageddon - the last battle before the Millennium

Rev 16:16 And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon.

Rev 16:17 And the seventh angel poured out his vial into the air; and there came a great voice out of the temple of heaven, from the throne, saying, It is done.

Rev 19:19 And I saw the beast, and the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against him that sat on the horse, and against his army.

Rev 19:20 And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone.

2) Gog and Magog – the last battle before the Great White Throne Judgment.

Rev 20:7 And when the thousand years are expired, Satan shall be loosed out of his prison,

Rev 20:8 And shall go out to deceive the nations which are in the four quarters of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together to battle: the number of whom [is] as the sand of the sea.

Rev 20:9 And they went up on the breadth of the earth, and compassed the camp of the saints about, and the beloved city: and fire came down from God out of heaven, and devoured them.

Rev 20:10 And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet [are], and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever.

Rev 20:11 And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them.

Question 19

It seems like the earth is replaced or remodeled since: “there is no sea” 21:1 and “I am making everything new” Rev 21:5.

Answer

Yes, it is new and remodeled in the way God first intended it to be. God intended that man should have first tended the Garden of Eden and then tended the entire earth to produce the

kind of world for which all of creation has been earnestly awaiting, which shall be a result of the manifestation of the sons of God. (Refer to Rom 8:19 especially AMPC).

Perhaps “no more sea” means no more politics. Perhaps “no more sea” means that new life forms will no longer be evolving and emerging from the seas but will be created by those in New Jerusalem.

Question 20

Who are the Kings of the Earth who bring their splendor into the New Jerusalem? Rev 21:24
Where do they come from?

Answer

The earth will continue after the Rapture, much as it is today. People will continue to live and multiply in order to replenish the earth with righteous children of God. Some will sin. Because of living according to the Rod of Iron, I believe that there will be no intermixing of light and darkness, of believers and unbelievers. That is there will be no unequal yoking. This will result in the existence of believing nations and unbelieving nations.

Rev 21:24 And the **nations of them which are saved** shall walk in the light of it: and the kings of the earth do bring their glory and honour into it (*i.e. New Jerusalem*).

Notice that only believers and believing nations can enter into the New Jerusalem.

Rev 21:27 And there shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth, neither [whatsoever] worketh abomination, or [maketh] a lie: but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life.

Rev 22:2 In the midst of the street of it, and on either side of the river, [was there] the tree of life, which bare twelve [manner of] fruits, [and] yielded her fruit every month: and the leaves of the tree [were] for the **healing of the nations**.

These believing nations are living outside of New Jerusalem. They are in the process of growing up to be overcomers, so that they can remain in New Jerusalem. In the meantime, they can have access to the Tree of Life and leaves for their healing. Notice that they eat the leaves and not the fruit. The fruit is reserved for the Overcomers.

Rev 2:7 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God.

I believe that the nations will have to come to New Jerusalem once or more per year to get the leaves for their healing for a year. I believe this has been foreshadowed by the Jews under the directions of the Torah to have to go up to Jerusalem to the Temple once or more per year

Outside of the New Jerusalem are:

Rev 22:14 Blessed [are] they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city.

Rev 22:15 For without [are] dogs, and sorcerers, and whoremongers, and murderers, and idolaters, and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie.