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When the Lord Jesus shall be revealed...2 Thessalonians 1:1-8

## Jesus Sits at the Right Hand of Power

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In the previous articles on Matthew chapter 24<sup>1</sup>, The Disciples asked Jesus "what *shall be* the sign of thy coming (verse 3d)?" and he gave them instructions of what will happen up to his second coming. Though the context of Matthew 24, He instructed them through the Great Tribulation (verses 15-31), in which they were going to go and not to escape it through a rapture. And then He Gave them the sign which will appear:

**Immediately after the tribulation** of those days (great tribulation, v. 21) shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken: And then shall **appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven**: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and **they shall see the Son of man coming** in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory.

And he shall send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall **gather together his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other**.

Matthew 24:29-31

From Jesus' instruction at Olivet up to his arrest and the questioning by the elders of the people and the chief priests and the scribes at their council, there has been a consistency throughout: No hint of a pre-trib rapture. This continues to follow through their questioning:

Art thou the Christ? tell us.

And he said unto them, If I tell you, ye will not believe: And if I also ask *you*, ye will not answer me, nor let *me* go. Hereafter shall the Son of man sit on the right hand of the power of God.

Luke 22:67-69

In the passage above, Jesus clearly says "Hereafter shall the Son of man sit on the right hand of the power of God. This is consistent in Matthew And Mark:

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<sup>1</sup> LEFT BEHIND: A Study in Matthew Chapter 24;  
<http://www.tribulationcentral.com/mat24study.html>

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And the high priest arose, and said unto him, Answerest thou nothing? what *is it which* these witness against thee?

But Jesus held his peace. And the high priest answered and said unto him, I adjure thee by the living God, that thou tell us whether thou be the Christ, the Son of God.

Jesus saith unto him, Thou hast said: nevertheless I say unto you, Hereafter shall ye see the Son of man sitting on the right hand of power, and **coming** in the clouds of heaven.

Then the high priest rent his clothes, saying, He hath spoken blasphemy; what further need have we of witnesses? behold, now ye have heard his blasphemy.

Matthew 26:62-65

And the high priest stood up in the midst, and asked Jesus, saying, Answerest thou nothing? what *is it which* these witness against thee? But he held his peace, and answered nothing. Again the high priest asked him, and said unto him, Art thou the Christ, the Son of the Blessed?

And Jesus said, I am: **and ye shall see** the Son of man sitting on the right hand of power, and **coming in the clouds of heaven**.

Then the high priest rent his clothes, and saith, What need we any further witnesses?

Mark 14:60-63

In the above passages, Jesus confesses that He is Christ, The Son of God. And this is what hangs in the balance of why Jesus crucified. And this is why the Jews sought to kill Him<sup>2</sup>:

Therefore the Jews sought the more to kill him, because he not only had broken the sabbath, but **said also that God was his Father, making himself equal with God**.

John 5:18

And there is also what Jesus which stands out in scripture: "**ye shall see** the Son of **man sitting on the right hand of power**, and **coming in the clouds of heaven**."<sup>3</sup> So, then Jesus will sit on the right hand of power. And He will be seen coming in in the clouds in heaven. Can Jesus come before he is seen coming in the clouds of Heaven. In Hebrews, Jesus:

Who being the brightness of *his* glory, and the express image of his person, and

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<sup>2</sup> If what was written in John 5:18 doesn't convince John Hagee, then he is willingly ignorant of scripture. He has written a book *In Defense of Israel*, where he claims that Jesus didn't come to earth to be the Messiah. Christ is the Greek word for the Hebrew word Messiah (John 4:25): *I know that Messiah cometh, which is called Christ...* Hagee reveals his ignorance because he is a false teacher.

<sup>3</sup> See also Revelation 1:7 and Zechariah 12:8-12

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upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, **sat down** on the right hand of the Majesty on high...

Hebrews 1:3

Paul described Jesus who himself purged our sins and sat down on the right hand of God. He further writes:

But to which of the angels said he (God) at any time, **Sit on my right hand, until** I make thine enemies thy footstool (Psalm 110:1)?

Hebrews 1:13

This is a reference to Jesus Christ who sits at God's right hand until "I make thine enemies thy footstool." Which begs the question, when does God make Jesus' enemies his footstool? Is it before the tribulation or after the tribulation? He is seated until God's makes Jesus' enemies his footstool and not before.

It is the pre-tribbers claim that Jesus must come down before the tribulation to rapture the church and then He Will come after the tribulation to destroy the Anti-Christ. However, in the passages above, Jesus is seated at God's right hand **until** God makes His enemies His footstool, which can only happen **after the tribulation**.

Paul reiterates in Hebrews:

But this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins for ever, **sat down on the right hand of God**; From henceforth expecting **till his enemies be made his footstool**.

Hebrews 10:12-13

After Jesus offered a sacrifice for our sins forever, he sat down at God's right hand **till** His enemies are made His Footstool.