Sermon Series:ApocalypseSermon Title:From Here to HereafterSermon Text:Revelation 4:1-11

Revelation of Christ

Apocalypse **Unveiling**

(Revelation 1:19) (Revelation 4:1-11) (Revelation 4:1)

> Rapture isn't a Bible word, but "<u>Harpazo</u>" is! Translated... "Caught away" "Caught up" "Pluck"

(Revelation 12:5) (1st Thessalonians 5:16-17) (1st Corinthians 15:51-52)

From Here to Hereafter:

Five Proofs for a Pre-Tribulation Rapture: There's no Church referenced in Revelation 6-18. (Revelation 5:9, 7:9, 19:1) (Matthew 24:36-44) The Church is promised salvation from God's wrath. (Luke 21:34-36) (Romans 5:9) (1st Thessalonians 1:10, 5:9) (2nd Peter 2:5-9) Scripture promises the imminent return of Christ. (Revelation 3:11, 22:7, 22:12, 22:20) Scripture never says to prepare for the Great Tribulation. Rapture is consistent with preparing for death in general. (2nd Corinthians 5:1, 5:8) *Five Preparations for Rapture (or Death):* Repentance is required. $(2^{nd} Peter 3:9)$ Assembly is exhorted. (Hebrews 10:25) Purity is pursued. $(1^{st} John 3:1-3)$ Sobriety is exercised. (1st Thessalonians 5:8) Patience is imperative. (James 5:7-8)

> One day we'll all make the sudden and unexpected transition <u>From Here to Hereafter:</u> *If today is that day*,

will <u>YOU</u> be ready?