

## Caught Up, and Rapture

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### I Thessalonians 4:17

#### 1th 4:17 KJV

Then we which are alive and remain shall be **caught up** together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

(arpagezo, harpadzo)

Annonote:

See Strong's ref # 726

#### 1th 4:17 Greek translation

ἔπειτα ἡμεῖς οἱ ζῶντες οἱ προύλειπόμενοι ἅμα σὺν αὐτοῖς **ἀρπαγησόμεθα** ἐν νεφέλαις εἰς ἀπάντησιν τοῦ κυρίου εἰς αἶρα· καὶ οὕτως πάντοτε σὺν κυρίῳ ἔσόμεθα.

(rapture from Latin: rapio, raptus, rapiemur)

#### 1th 4:17 Latin Vulgate translation

deinde nos qui vivimus qui relinquimur simul **rapiemur** cum illis in nubibus obviam Domino in aera et sic semper cum Domino erimus

The Latin word "rapiemur," is the word St. Jerome used for "caught up" (as in the KJV) when he translated 1 Thes 4:17 in the Latin Vulgate Bible. This is where the English rendering of the word "rapture" comes from.

So it is actually in the Bible... that is, the Latin versions of the Bible... the question now is... is it a teaching in the scriptures that it will be an event of an escape which Jesus will provide for His Faithful?

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Of course many who insist that it is not in the Bible will make efforts to get others not to believe this... because this is truth staring at them in the face and exposing their errors. Now they have to admit they are wrong... but they will probably just say "OK, so what it's in there" and then continue to discredit it as an escape Jesus provides for His Faithful.

I'm not saying that all those who do not believe in the rapture are not going to make it... for if you are saved by Christ's grace and now live a changed life and turned away from sin, and living anew in His Spirit and in His Faith, and so fulfilling His commandments in this manner, and not by the works of the law being it's ordinances and precepts which He done away with in His New Covenant - this is what really matters... if one lives anew in Spirit and in His Faith, whether or not they have some doubts on the rapture teaching, Jesus will include them in His escape... such will have a better chance of being included than the one who believes in the rapture yet does not fulfill His commandments by His Spirit and in His Faith. Remember the parable of the Ten Virgins.

Seek Christ's Truth for yourselves... Trust the teaching within from His Holy Spirit, and not the teachings of men.



