

WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY ABOUT THE RAPTURE? Part Fifteen: February 3, 2021

Revelation 3:10

- **The Promise to the Church of _____:**
 - “Because thou hast _____ the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of _____, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth.”
 - The nature of the promise—what it _____
 - The condition of the promise—what it _____
 - The _____ of the promise—who it is for

The Nature of the Promise

- **“...I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth.”**
 - To keep = to _____, protect
 - Notice the association with Christ’s _____ (vs. 11).
 - From = “_____ of,” not “through”
 - _____ with a post-trib Rapture.
 - The hour of temptation = the entire _____
 - Indicates a pre-trib Rapture before the time period of _____ testing.

The Condition of the Promise

- **“Because thou hast *kept the word* of my patience,...”**
 - Keep = to guard, protect; also to _____, obey
 - Notice the _____ of the promise
 - Word = the Word of _____
 - We keep the Word of God:
 - By _____ the Word in our hearts:
 - By _____ the Word in our lives:
 - This condition describes a church filled with genuine _____.
- **“Because thou hast kept *the word of my patience*,...”**
 - Patience = _____, perseverance, bearing up under _____ or pressures
 - Two _____ between the Word of God and patience:
 - His Word _____ patience.
 - John 8:31: _____

- Acts 2:41-42: _____

- Acts 14:22: _____

- His Word _____ patience.
 - Luke 8:15: _____

 - 2 Thess. 3:5: _____

 - James 1:2-4, 12: _____

- A Second Point of _____:
 - Those who _____ the Word of God will be kept from the hour of temptation.
 - As believers, we endure _____ now; therefore, we won't have to endure them later!

The Context of the Promise

- **Who is _____ in this promise of a pre-tribulational Rapture?**
 - Not _____ saints, but _____ true believers.
 - A _____ of those in church of Philadelphia.
 - A _____ of those in other churches.
 - Thyatira—2:24-25: _____

 - Sardis—3:4: _____

 - Laodicea—3:20: _____

Conclusion

- ***“Because thou hast kept the word of my patience,...”***
 - Are you patiently _____ in the Word?
 - Are you patiently _____ trials as you wait for Christ?