What To Do If You Miss The Rapture

Scripture:	Matthew 24:36-41
	Luke 17:34-36

Introduction

The rapture will bring separation: it will be selective. According to the scripture, some will be caught away, others left behind. If you are one of those left behind:

I. Repent of your sin and lack of commitment

<u>2 Peter 3:9 NIV</u> The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some men understand slowness. He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.

<u>Revelation 9:20-21 NIV</u> The rest of mankind that were not killed by these plagues still did not repent of the work of their hands; they did not stop worshiping demons, and idols of gold, silver, bronze, stone and wood -- idols that cannot see or hear or walk. Nor did they repent of their murders, their magic arts, their sexual immorality or their thefts.

- A. Repent of your sin
- B. Repent of your lack of commitment
- C. Repent of your lack of service

II. Don't take the mark of the beast

<u>Revelation</u> 13:16 He also forced everyone, small and great, rich and poor, free and slave, to receive a mark on his right hand or on his forehead.

<u>**Revelation 14:11**</u> And the smoke of their torment rises forever and ever. There is no rest day or night for those who worship the beast or his image, or for anyone who receives the mark of his name.

- A. His mark will be deceiving
- B. He will be the man with the answers
- C. He will have the explanation for the rapture
- D. You will be the most susceptible to his lie

<u>1 Thessalonians 2:11-12</u> For this reason God sends them a powerful delusion so that they will believe the lie and so that all will be condemned who have not believed the truth but have delighted in wickedness.

III. Prepare yourself for martyrdom

<u>**Revelation 13:17</u>** ...so that no one can buy or sell unless he had the mark, which is the name of the beast or the number of his name.</u>

<u>**Revelation 6:9-10**</u> When he opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of those who had been slain because of the word of God and the testimony they had maintained.

- A. No ability to buy or sell
- B. Under the wrath of the man of sin