YT Video- Surviving the Antichrist

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Text [KJV unless otherwise indicated]

Rev 3:10 Because thou hast kept the word of my <u>patience</u>, 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.

ESV Rev 3:10 Because you have kept my word about <u>patient endurance</u>, I will keep you from the hour of trial that is coming on the whole world, to try those who dwell on the earth.

Luk 21:36 Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to **escape** all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man.

I. The Hour of Trial

The KJV uses the term "the hour of <u>temptation</u>". The Greek word translated as "temptation" is

G3986: peirasmos

Thayer: "the trial of man's fidelity, integrity, virtue, constancy"

Note 1: this word occurs 21 times in the KJV, including in the Lord's Prayer [Mt 6:13]

Note 2: "lead us not into temptation" is better translated as [NRSV]:

"And do not bring us to the time of trial but rescue us from the evil one."

Note 3: God Himself tests [Tempts] no man but allows the devil and adverse circumstances to do so. [Jam 1:13]

II. When Is the Hour of Trial?

- a. The Great tribulation: 1-6 Seals. The wrath of Satan. It looks like we shall have to endure it.
- b. The Judgements of YAHWEH: 6 Trumpet + 7 Bowl Judgments
- c. If the Rapture occurs between the 6th & 7th Seals, we shall escape the Judgments of YAHWEH
- d. If the Rapture is post-tribulation [post 7th Seal] we shall have to endure YAHWEH's Judgments.

III. Patient Endurance

The Greek word translated as "patience" or "patient endurance" is:

G5281: hupomonē

Thayer translates it well as <u>"the characteristic of a man who is not swerved from his deliberate purpose and his loyalty to faith and piety by even the greatest trials and sufferings"</u>

Note: this is an extremely important Word for us to study and practise. It occurs 33 times in the KJV.

IV. Keeping His Word

G5083: tēreō

Thayer Definition:

1) to attend to carefully, take care of 1a) to guard

V. Keep From The Hour of Trial

Note 1: we are to attend to His word about patient endurance in the midst of trials and tribulations.

Note 2: if we do so He has promised to keep us from the Hour of Trial.

Note 3: I believe that we who keep His word faithfully will be raptured before the Trumpet and Bowl Judgments that will devastate the wicked.

VI. <u>Possess Your Souls</u>

Luk 21:19 In your patience possess ye your souls.

G2932: ktaomai

Thayer: "to acquire, get, or procure a thing for one's self, to possess"

<u>Mat 10:28</u> And fear not them which kill the body but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell.

<u>Mar 8:35</u> For <u>whosoever will save his life shall lose it; but whosoever shall lose</u> his life for my sake and the gospel's, the same shall save it.

<u>Mar 8:36</u> For what shall it profit a man, <u>if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?</u>

Mar 8:37 Or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?

Note:

- a. The Antichrist can kill us [our bodies] but not our souls
- b. YAHWEH to able to destroy both body & soul in Hell where the destroying is an eternal process, never ending and always tormenting
- c. Those who submit to the Antichrist mark will save their lives on earth but lose their souls for all eternity
- d. The only way to safeguard [possess] our souls is to <u>patiently endure all trials, persecutions</u>

e. The Apostle Paul tells us:

<u>1Th 5:9</u> For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ.

1Th 5:10 Who died for us, that, whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with him.

- f. Those who patiently endure will escape His Wrath in this world and, more importantly, in the age to come
- g. We should not worry about whether we survive the persecution of the Antichrist or die as martyrs: what is important is whether we shall live forever with Him.

VII. Worthy to Escape

Lu 21:36 exhorts us to:

- a. Watch and pray
- b. That we may be accounted worthy to escape "all these things" <u>and to</u> stand before the Son of Man

the Greek word translated as 'escape' is:

G1628: ekpheugō

Thayer Definition:

- 1) to flee out of, flee away
- 1a) to seek safety in flight
- 1b) to escape

VIII. To Stand Before The Son of Man

The more important point that Luke makes is whether we are found worthy to "stand" before the Son of Man!

Rev 14:12 <u>Here is the patience of the saints: here are they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus</u>.

Rev 14:13 And I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Write, blessed are the dead which <u>die in the Lord</u> from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours; and their works do follow them.

- a. Patient endurance
- b. Keep the commandments of God
- c. Faith of [in] Yeshua
- d. Die in the Lord: meaning after walking in Christ- 'walk...after the Spirit' and not the flesh.

<u>Rom 8:1</u> There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.