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But as for me, I will come into Your house in the multitude of Your mercy; In fear of You I will worship toward Your holy temple. (Psalm 47 : 6—7)

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The question for today is...

We delve into a question that has been brought our way.

“What is the Rapture, Tribulation, and the Millennium's? What does the Bible teach and what does man believe?”

I must first start off by telling you, that I can by no means fit all of the differing beliefs, nuances, and ideologies into one lesson. This morning, I will do my best to explain, in a general sense, what is believed, what the variations are, and what we should believe.

How do you begin to teach on something that the Bible doesn't? Millennialism is not a word you will find in the Bible, nor will you find the principals of this belief there either. But, we cannot cast off this belief so easily—just what does the Bible say?

How do you begin to teach on something that the Bible says very little about? Rapture is not a word you will find in the Bible, however, the main principal in this belief is written about briefly.

Last, but not least, Tribulation is found in the Bible. However, not in the way it is portrayed by the world.

When it is all said and finished, the most important question is, “What do we as Christians believe?” We will answer this today as well.

What is the Tribulation, the Rapture, and The Millennium

* Definitions

Tribulation— suffering

Rapture—joy, a taking up

Millennium— 1,000 years

* What does the Bible teach on

Tribulation— It will happen.

Rapture— We will be taken up.

Millennium—Nothing

* What does man teach on

Tribulation— It is a 7 year period of suffering

Rapture— It will happen, but there are differing views on what this means.

Millennium—Christ will reign either literally or spiritually for 1,000 years before the final judgment.

* What should I believe

Tribulation— I Thessalonians 3 : 4—You have been told.

Romans 8 : 35—It cannot separate you from God.

Rapture— I Corinthians 15 : 52—53—The dead will be taken up.

Millennium—Daniel 2 : 44—God's will reign forever.