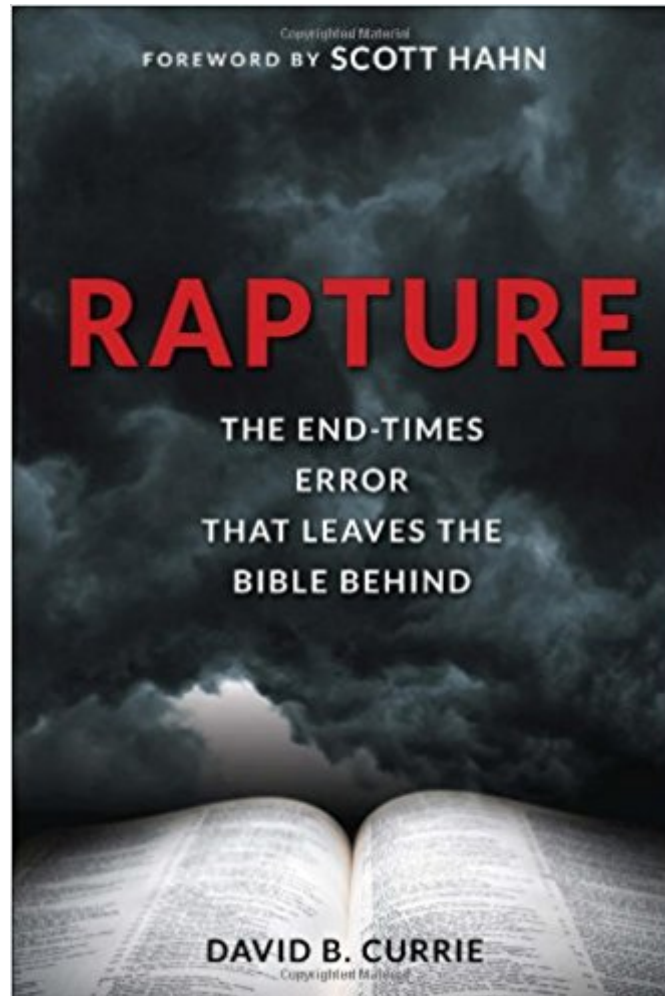




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Rapture: The End-Times Error That Leaves The Bible Behind



Synopsis

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David B. Currie is a former Fundamentalist missionary whose deep study of the Bible led him into the Catholic Church. He is a popular speaker and author of Born Fundamentalist, Born Again Catholic.

This is a book many will reject out of hand. But if they stay with it, it will open their eyes with regard to many passages' meaning beyond that usually accepted today, particularly by evangelicals. Although the idea of the rapture and future Great Tribulation at endtimes is only 200 years old, it is now firmly entrenched in the faith of many. This book informs us of what the EARLY Church thought

of that and Daniel's "70 weeks." There is so many anti-Catholic bigotry today, so many such rants on the internet displaying total ignorance of the Catholic Church, that it would be much good if everyone had to read and PONDER it. It would be good for their very souls to be delivered from the hatred I see in these polemics.

Very well written, non-academic style. The author offers over 1,300 verses that show the flaws in the belief of "Rapture." The author was a fundamentalist preacher of the "Rapture" for years. Then he started to see the holes. So he tried to prove the belief or disprove the belief for himself. This issue and others led the author to seek out the Catholic Church. The author shows no disrespect to any persons who believe in the Rapture. He just shows why the belief is flawed. I was curious on why so many people believe in the Rapture and so many do not. In this search, I side with the author. Decide for yourself. This book will help you do it.

Easy to understand and plainly written book about the very complex subject of Premillennialism and the rapture. Takes the reader step by step through the Covenantal position of the second coming of Christ. Even though it is written from a Catholic viewpoint it loses none of the truth about the traditionally held position of the early Apostolic and Reformed Protestant church. A good book to pass on about end time events.

This excellent Scriptural analysis by Mr. Currie explores the most difficult and puzzling books of the Bible - Daniel and Revelation. In educated and consistent form, Mr. Currie systematically explains the background, intention and meaning of these powerful prophecies and thankfully dispels the many false interpretations of the Tribulation, the 70 weeks of Daniel and the judgments described in the Apocalypse. Many, many people today are caught up in fear-based interpretations of these prophetic books. Misguided preachers have woven a seemingly endless variety of future prophetic systems that only create more questions than they answer. By referring to early Church teachings and the historic events of the years 0 AD - 70 AD, Mr. Currie successfully unveils the meaning of much of what Jesus referred to in Matthew chapters 24 and 25. We are given a solid explanation of these important prophecies of Jesus and the impact they had on the ancient world both during and after His time on earth. I highly recommend this work by Mr. Currie to help the reader sort out the truth from the speculations, the meanings from the wizardry that, unfortunately, false teachers use to their advantage, especially in these disturbing times we live in. Let the reader be clear that this book explains the long-held, authoritative understanding of the topics explored and as constantly

preached throughout the ages by the Catholic Church.

This book will deepen the knowledge and faith of any Catholic. I got much more from this book than I expected. Besides doing a masterful job of refuting rapturists, the author gives a great and detailed account of the lamb's supper at Mass and a deep appreciation of what it means to be catholic.

This book is awesome. It helped me to understand the historical nature of the Book of Revelation and the meaning that it has for the future. Fr Pilcher

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