

KEPT FROM THE HOUR! REV. 3:10 (7-13)

I. There is an hour coming!

Revelation 3:10 Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, 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.

II. An hour with several names!

Jeremiah 30:7 Alas! for that day is great, so that none is like it: it is even **the time of Jacob's trouble**; but he shall be saved out of it.

Daniel 9:27 And he shall confirm the covenant with many for **one week**: and in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease, and for the overspreading of abominations he shall make it desolate, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate.

Matthew 24:21 For then shall be **great tribulation**, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be.

1 Thessalonians 5:1 But of the times and the seasons, brethren, ye have no need that I write unto you. **1 Thessalonians 5:2** For yourselves know perfectly that **the day of the Lord** so cometh as a thief in the night. **1 Thessalonians 5:3** For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape.

Revelation 6:17 For **the great day of his wrath** is come; and who shall be able to stand?

III. An hour like no other!

We must first eliminate a false teaching / understanding / belief:

John 15:18 If the world hate you, ye know that it hated me before it hated you. **John 15:19** If ye were of the world, the world would love his own: but because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you. **John 15:20** Remember the word that I said unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord. If they have persecuted me, they will also persecute you; if they have kept my saying, they will keep yours also. **John 15:21** But all these things will they do unto you for my name's sake, because they know not him that sent me.

Acts 14:21 And when they had preached the gospel to that city, and had taught many, they returned again to Lystra, and to Iconium, and Antioch, **Acts 14:22** **Confirming** the souls of the disciples, and **exhorting** them to continue in the faith, **and** that we **must through much tribulation enter into the kingdom of God**. **Acts 14:23** And when they had **ordained** them elders in every church, and had prayed with fasting, they commended them to the Lord, on whom they believed.

2 Timothy 3:12 Yea, and **all** that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution.

This is not that!

Jeremiah 30:1 The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD, saying, **Jeremiah 30:2** Thus speaketh the LORD God of Israel, saying, Write thee all the words that I have spoken unto thee in a book. **Jeremiah 30:3** For, lo, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will bring again the captivity of my people Israel and Judah, saith the LORD: and I will cause them to return to the land that I gave to their fathers, and they shall possess it. **Jeremiah 30:4** And these are the words that the LORD spake concerning Israel and concerning Judah. **Jeremiah 30:5** For thus saith the LORD; We have heard a voice of trembling, of fear, and not of peace.

Jeremiah 30:6 Ask ye now, and see whether a man doth travail with child? wherefore do I see every man with his hands on his loins, as a woman in travail, and all faces are turned into paleness? **Jeremiah 30:7** Alas! for that day is great, so that none is like it: it is even **the time of Jacob's trouble**; **but he shall be saved out of it**. **Jeremiah 30:8** For it shall come to pass in that day, saith the LORD of hosts, that I will break his yoke from off thy neck, and will burst thy bonds, and strangers shall no more serve themselves of him: **Jeremiah 30:9** But they shall serve the LORD their God, and David their king, whom I will raise up unto them.

Jeremiah 30:10 Therefore fear thou not, O my servant Jacob, saith the LORD; neither be dismayed, O Israel: for, lo, I will save thee from afar, and thy seed from the land of their captivity; and Jacob shall return, and shall be in rest, and be quiet, and none shall make him afraid. **Jeremiah 30:11** For I am with thee, saith the LORD, to save thee: though I make a full end of all nations whither I have scattered thee, yet will I not make a full end of thee: but I will correct thee in measure, and will not leave thee altogether unpunished.

Matthew 24:19 And woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck in those days! **Matthew 24:20** But pray ye that your flight be not in the winter, neither on the sabbath day: **Matthew 24:21** For then shall be **great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be**. **Matthew 24:22** And **except** those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened.

Romans 5:9 Much more then, being now justified by his blood, **we shall be saved from wrath through him**.

1 Thessalonians 5:9 For God hath **not appointed us to wrath, but** to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ, **1 Thessalonians 5:10** Who died for us, that, whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with him.

Revelation 6:12 And I beheld when he had opened the sixth seal, and, lo, there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became as blood; **Revelation 6:13** And the stars of heaven fell unto the earth, even as a fig tree casteth her untimely figs, when she is shaken of a mighty wind. **Revelation 6:14** And the heaven departed as a scroll when it is rolled together; and every mountain and island were moved out of their places. **Revelation 6:15** And the kings of the earth, and the great men, and the rich men, and the chief captains, and the mighty men, and every bondman, and every free man, hid themselves in the dens and in the rocks of the mountains; **Revelation 6:16** And said to the mountains and rocks, Fall on us, and hide us from the face of him that sitteth on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb: **Revelation 6:17** For the great day of his wrath is come; and who shall be able to stand?

IV. An hour specifically designed for those who dwell on the earth!

Revelation 3:10 Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation (πειρασμοῦ), which shall come upon all the world (ἐπὶ τῆς οἰκουμένης ὅλης), to try (πειράσαι) them that dwell upon the earth (τοὺς κατοικοῦντας ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς).

Revelation 6:10 And they cried with a loud voice, saying, How long, O Lord, holy and true, dost thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth (τῶν κατοικοῦντων ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς)?

Revelation 8:13 And I beheld, and heard an angel flying through the midst of heaven, saying with a loud voice, Woe, woe, woe, to the inhabitants of the earth (τοῖς κατοικοῦσιν ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς) by reason of the other voices of the trumpet of the three angels, which are yet to sound!

Revelation 11:10 And they that dwell upon the earth shall rejoice over them, and make merry, and shall send gifts one to another; because these two prophets tormented them that dwell on the earth (τοὺς κατοικοῦντας ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς).

Revelation 13:8 And all that dwell upon the earth (πάντες οἱ κατοικοῦντες ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς) shall worship him, whose names are not written in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.

Revelation 13:12 And he exerciseth all the power of the first beast before him, and causeth the earth and them which dwell therein (τὴν γῆν καὶ τοὺς ἐν αὐτῇ κατοικοῦντας) to worship the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed.

Revelation 13:14 And deceiveth them that dwell on the earth by the means of those miracles which he had power to do in the sight of the beast; saying to them that dwell on the earth (τοῖς κατοικοῦσιν ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς), that they should make an image to the beast, which had the wound by a sword, and did live.

Revelation 17:2 With whom the kings of the earth have committed fornication, and the inhabitants of the earth (οἱ κατοικοῦντες τὴν γῆν) have been made drunk with the wine of her fornication.

Revelation 17:8 The beast that thou sawest was, and is not; and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit, and go into perdition: and they that dwell on the earth (οἱ κατοικοῦντες ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς) shall wonder, whose names were not written in the book of life from the foundation of the world, when they behold the beast that was, and is not, and yet is.

Hebrews 11:10 For he looked for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God.

Hebrews 11:13 These all died in faith, not having received the promises, but having seen them afar off, and were persuaded of them, and embraced them, and confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth. **Hebrews 11:14** For they that say such things declare plainly that they seek a country. **Hebrews 11:15** And truly, if they had been mindful of that country from whence they came out, they might have had opportunity to have returned. **Hebrews 11:16** But now they desire a better country, that is, an heavenly: wherefore God is not ashamed to be called their God: for he hath prepared for them a city.

V. An hour God Himself promises to keep us from!

Revelation 3:8 I know thy works: behold, I have set before thee an open door, and no man can shut it: for thou hast a little strength, and hast kept my word (ἐτήρησάς μου τὸν λόγον), and hast not denied my name.

Revelation 3:10 Because thou hast kept (ἐτήρησας) the word of my patience (τὸν λόγον τῆς ὑπομονῆς μου), I also will keep (τηρήσω) thee from (ἐκ τῆς ὥρας τοῦ πειρασμοῦ) the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth.