

A silhouette of a person with long hair, wearing a jacket and pants, sitting on a swing set. The person is facing left, with their right arm extended towards the sun. The background is a bright sunset over a body of water, with the sun low on the horizon and its reflection visible. The sky is a mix of orange and yellow, and the water is dark with a shimmering reflection of the sun. The overall mood is contemplative and serene.

**THE RAPTURE:** *What Happened & Why?*

# THE RAPTURE

is explained in the Bible as the dramatic event when Jesus Christ comes for His followers—every Christian who has put their trust in Him.



# THE BIBLE

describes the Rapture this way:

“For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first.

After that, we who are alive and remain will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we shall always be with the Lord”

(1 Thessalonians 4:16-17).



## **THIS GLORIOUS GATHERING OF THE CHURCH**

is also described in 1 Corinthians 15:50-54. Scripture says in the “twinkling of an eye,” the dead in Christ will be raised to life. Christians who are still alive when the Rapture occurs will then be swept up into Heaven along with them.

THE BIBLE PROMISES THAT  
**indescribable joy**

awaits those who are gathered into  
Heaven!

They will be given glorified  
bodies,  
pure minds, and sin-free  
hearts.

They will exult in the presence of God  
forever.

While the Church (raptured Christians) rejoices in the presence of Jesus Christ in Heaven, the earth will experience an unprecedented period of

# TRIBULATION

as the wrath of God is poured out. Most people will perish as Satan rages and God unleashes judgment on the unsaved. At the end of this horrific seven-year period, Jesus will return in glory at what is called the Second Coming—together with raptured believers in our glorified bodies.



The promise of the Rapture was given to offer hope to all who believe in

*Jesus Christ*

Relying upon Him for salvation assures us of Eternity with the Lord. He has promised to rescue the Church from the wrath to come. That means that those who put their complete faith in Christ will not have to endure the Tribulation.

Jesus is the

# BLESSED HOPE

of all who trust in Him.

Looking forward to the Rapture has allowed Christians down through the centuries to “encourage one another with these words”

(1 Thessalonians 4:18).

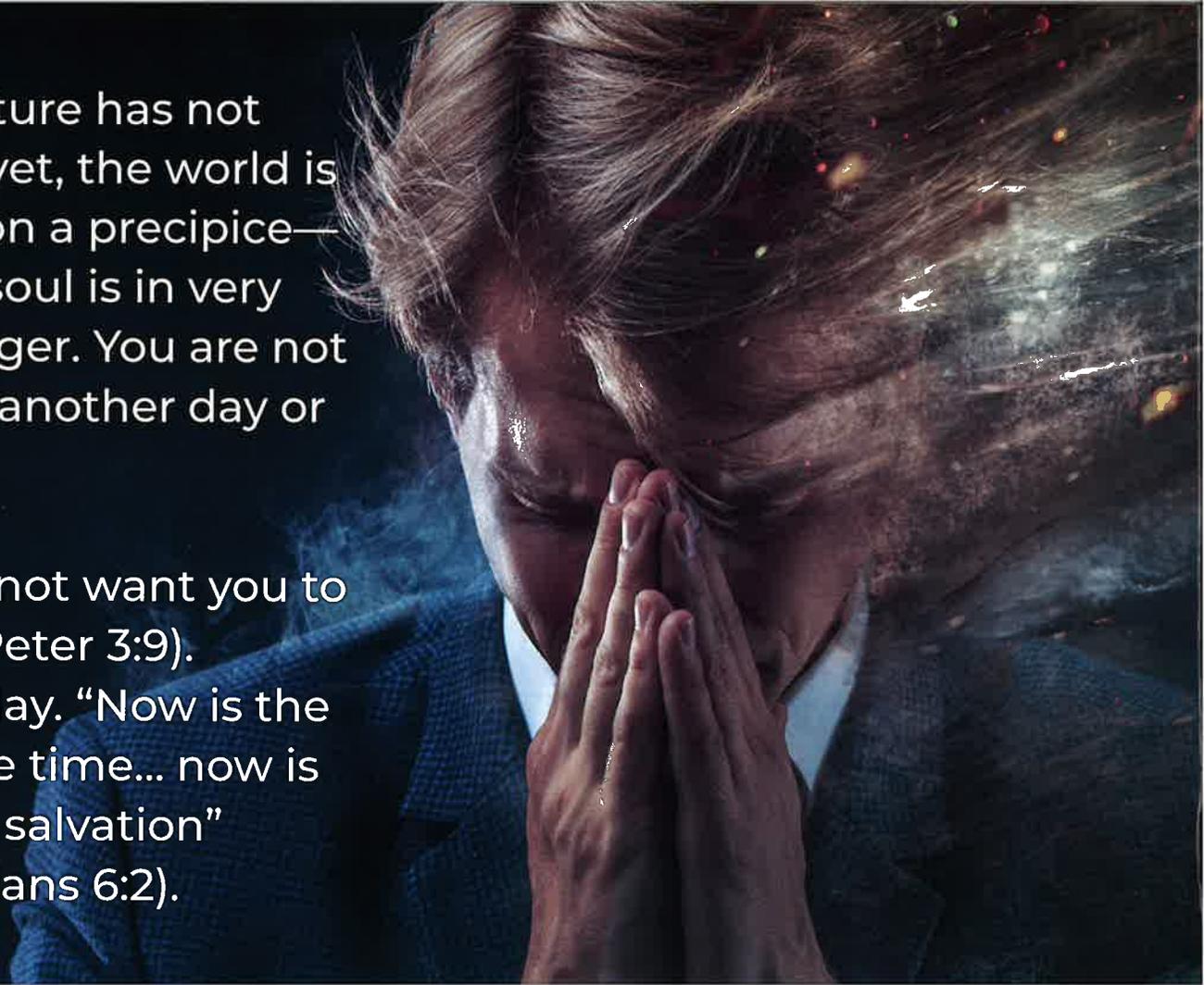


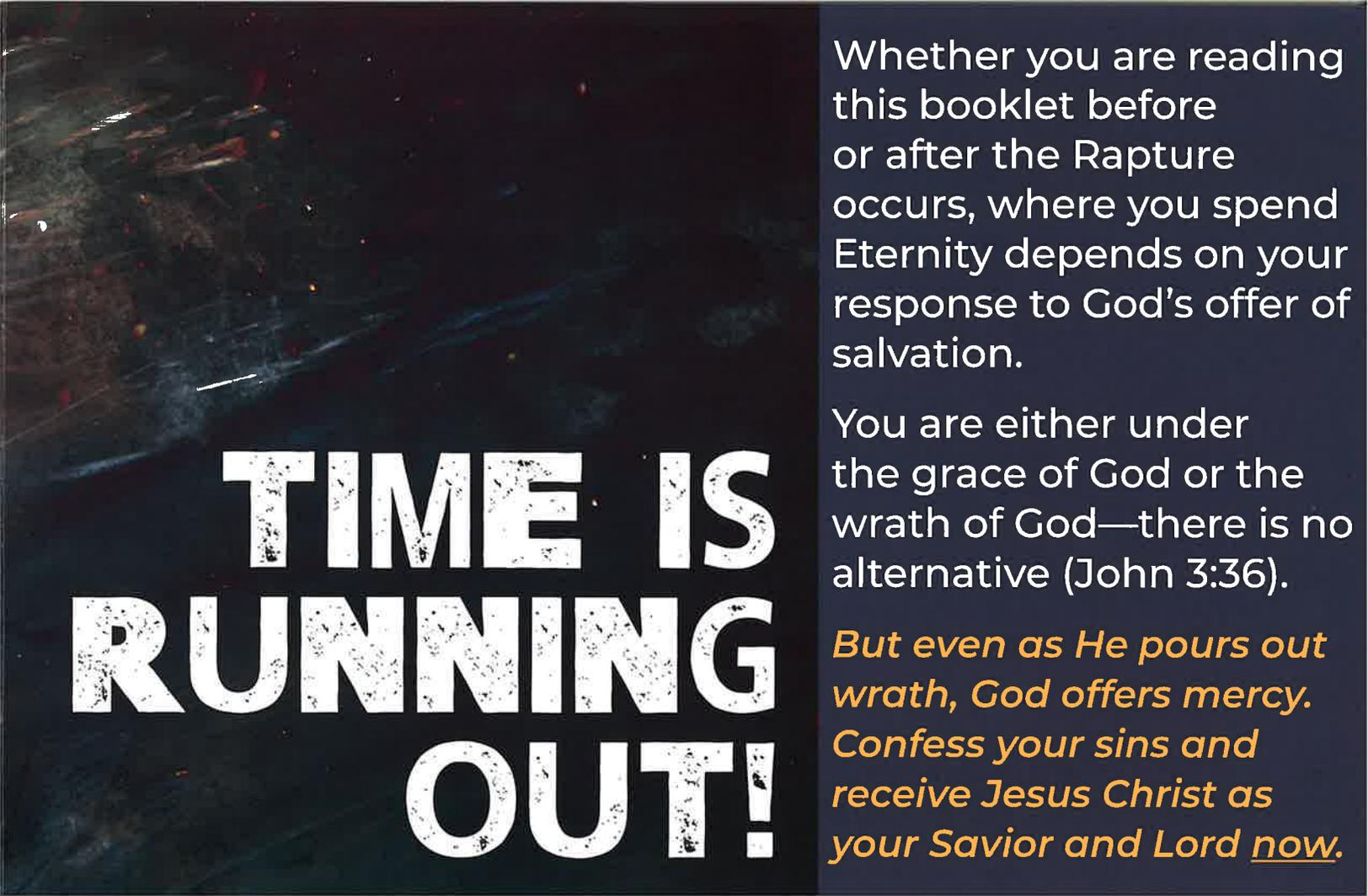
It is possible that you are reading this prior to the Rapture. If so, soon—perhaps very soon—Jesus is coming for His Church. Many signs prophesied throughout the Bible are appearing—today pointing to the imminence of that wonderful promise.

Christians who eagerly anticipate Jesus' appearing—as Paul did—will be awarded “a crown of righteousness” (2 Timothy 4:8).

If the Rapture has not occurred yet, the world is certainly on a precipice—and your soul is in very grave danger. You are not promised another day or hour.

God does not want you to perish (2 Peter 3:9). Do not delay. “Now is the acceptable time... now is the day of salvation” (2 Corinthians 6:2).





# TIME IS RUNNING OUT!

Whether you are reading this booklet before or after the Rapture occurs, where you spend Eternity depends on your response to God's offer of salvation.

You are either under the grace of God or the wrath of God—there is no alternative (John 3:36).

*But even as He pours out wrath, God offers mercy. Confess your sins and receive Jesus Christ as your Savior and Lord now.*

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A wealth of information about the Rapture and other fulfillments of Bible prophecy is available at [LambLion.com](http://LambLion.com).

We hope to see you and your loved ones gathered around the throne of the King of kings!

Jesus Christ came down from heaven to earth over 2000 years ago as the Sacrificial Lamb of God. He came to rescue fallen mankind from their sins (Luke 19:10).

John 3:16 tells us, "For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life."

Salvation is gained by faith (Ephesians 2:8), by receiving Jesus as Savior (John 1:12), and by trusting Him alone (John 14:6, Acts 4:12). Only through faith in Jesus we can obtain forgiveness of sins (John 1:29). Because He died and rose again from the grave, His followers are assured of eternal life and fellowship with Him—either at our passing or at the Rapture.

When Jesus comes again, He will return in righteousness and justice, in great wrath and glory as the roaring Lion of Judah!

Receive His precious gift of grace (unmerited favor) today and be saved (2 Corinthians 9:15).