

# “Introduction to Pre-Trib Rapture”

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

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Why we believe in the pre-tribulation view of the rapture

## *1. Why does God give prophecy?*

for our...

- **information** (1 Thes 4:13) “we do not want you to be uninformed”
- **comfort** (1 Thes 4:18) “comfort one another”
- **belief** – God authenticates message and messenger (Jn 5:36, 39; 10:25)
- **perseverance & hope** (1 Thes 1:10; 1 Cor 15:58)
- **future glory** (1 Thes 2:12; 19-20)
- **purity** (1 Thes 3:13; 1 Jn 3:2-3)

so we are to **rightly divide** the word

*Study to show yourselves approved unto God, a workman that needs not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth 2 Tim 2:15*

## *2. How has God spoken prophecy in the past?*

## *3. What has God prophetically spoken?*