

# The Return of Jesus Christ

Revelation 19:11-21



# Two Returns?

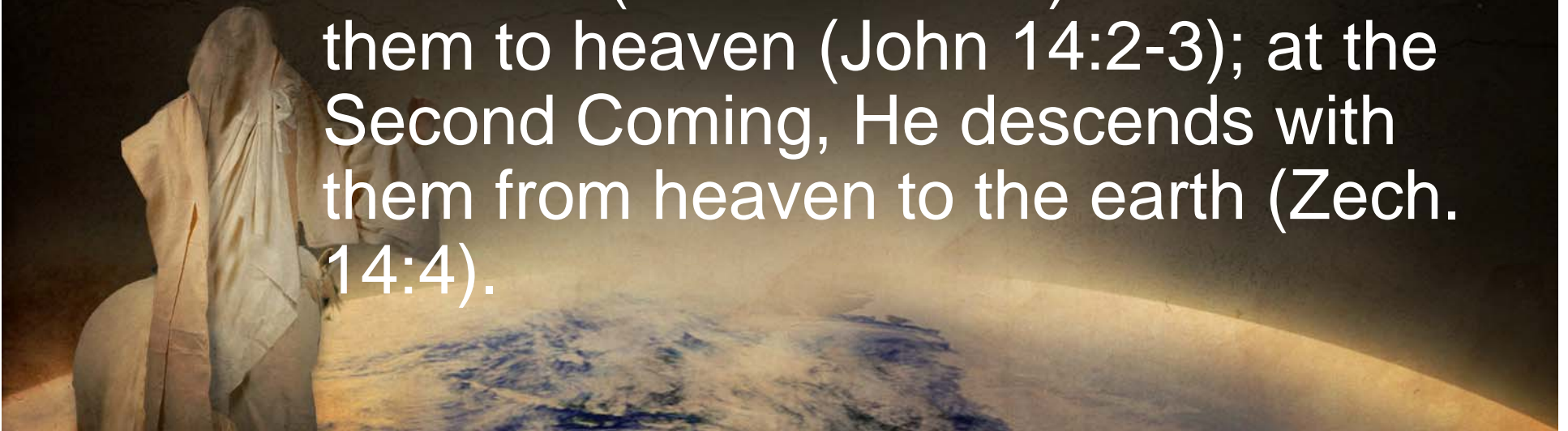
The Second Coming must be distinguished from the Rapture of the church prior to the seven-year Tribulation; the differing biblical descriptions of the two events indicate that they are distinct from each other.



# Description of Return(s)

At the Rapture, Christ comes for His saints (John 14:3; 1 Thess. 4:16-17); at the Second Coming, He comes with them.

At the Rapture, Christ meets His saints in the air (1 Thess. 4:17) to take them to heaven (John 14:2-3); at the Second Coming, He descends with them from heaven to the earth (Zech. 14:4).



# **Revelation 19:11-21 (NKJV)**

**11 Now I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse. And He who sat on him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and makes war.**

**12 His eyes were like a flame of fire, and on His head were many crowns. He had a name written that no one knew except Himself.**



# **Revelation 19:11-21 (NKJV)**

**13 He was clothed with a robe dipped in blood, and His name is called The Word of God.**

**14 And the armies in heaven, clothed in fine linen, white and clean, followed Him on white horses.**



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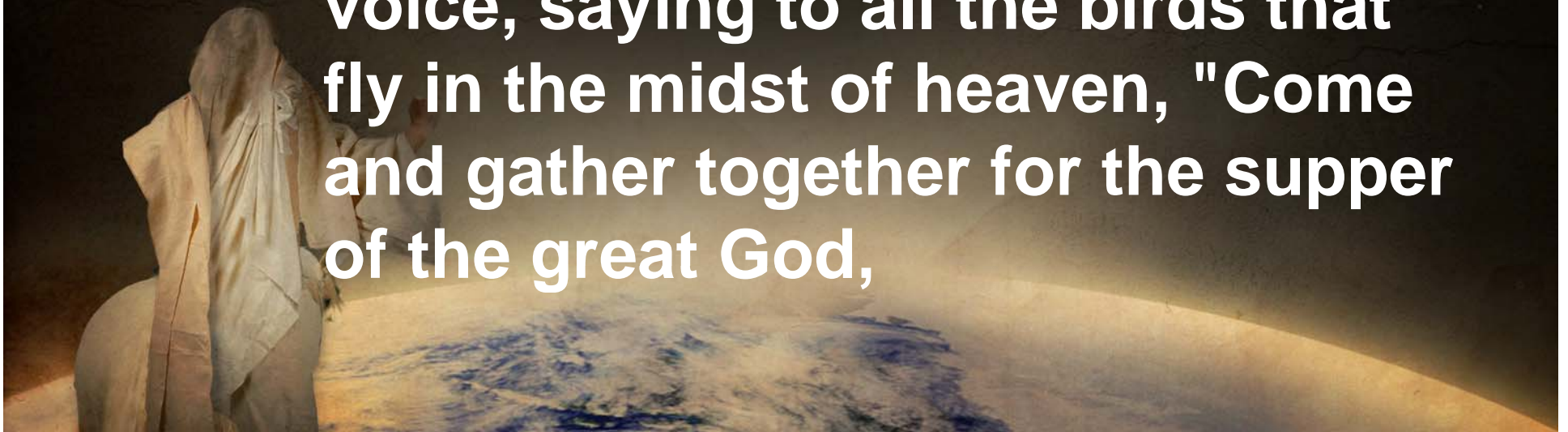
**15 Now out of His mouth goes a sharp sword, that with it He should strike the nations. And He Himself will rule them with a rod of iron. He Himself treads the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God.**



# **Revelation 19:11-21 (NKJV)**

**16 And He has on His robe and on His thigh a name written: KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS.**

**17 Then I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the birds that fly in the midst of heaven, "Come and gather together for the supper of the great God,**



# Revelation 19:11-21 (NKJV)

18 "that you may eat the flesh of kings, the flesh of captains, the flesh of mighty men, the flesh of horses and of those who sit on them, and the flesh of all people, free and slave, both small and great."

19 And I saw the beast, the kings of the earth, and their armies,

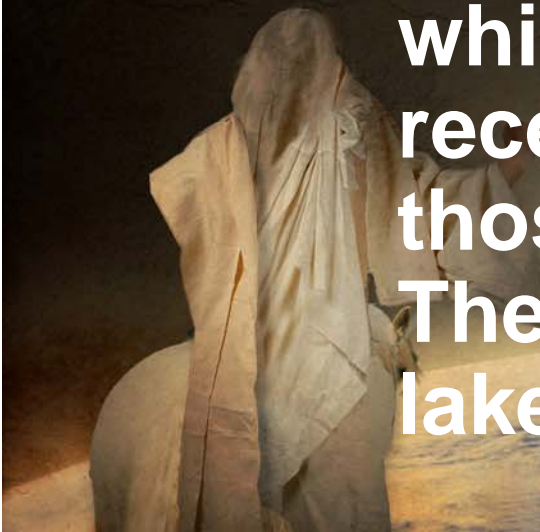


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**gathered together to make war against Him who sat on the horse and against His army.**

**20 Then the beast was captured, and with him the false prophet who worked signs in his presence, by which he deceived those who received the mark of the beast and those who worshiped his image.**

**These two were cast alive into the lake of fire burning with brimstone.**



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**21 And the rest were killed with the sword which proceeded from the mouth of Him who sat on the horse. And all the birds were filled with their flesh.**



# 1. The Conqueror

**11 Now I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse. And He who sat on him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and makes war.**

No longer the Suffering Servant of His incarnation, the Lord Jesus Christ is seen in this vision as the warrior King who wages war against His foes.

## 2. The Army

**14 And the armies in heaven, clothed in fine linen, white and clean, followed Him on white horses.**

The Lord Jesus Christ will not return alone, but will be accompanied by the armies which are in heaven.

Four Divisions: The Glorified Believers

The Tribulation Believers

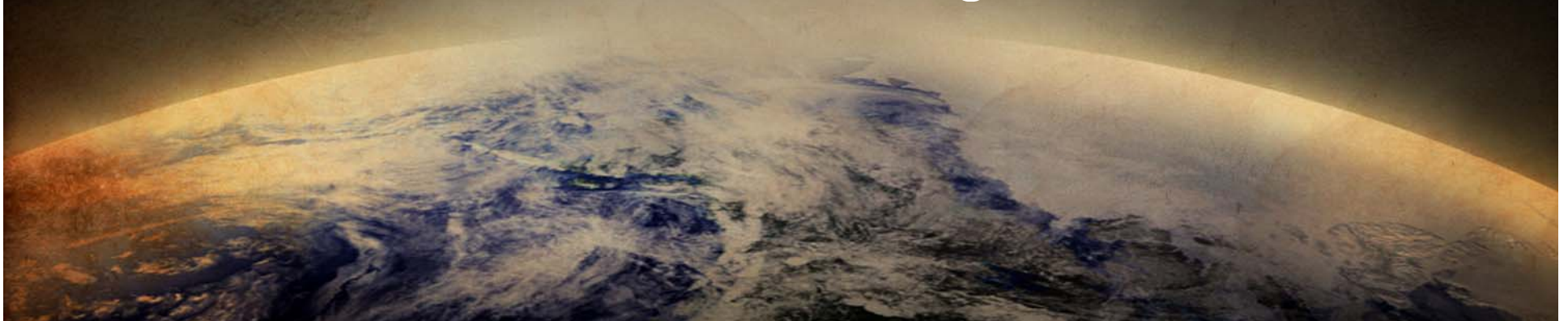
Old Testament Saints

The Holy Angels

### 3. The Rule of Christ

**16 And He has on His robe and on His thigh a name written: KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS.**

This name expresses His sovereign triumph over all foes and His absolute rule in His soon to be established kingdom.



## 4. The Battle

**19 And I saw the beast, the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against Him who sat on the horse and against His army.**

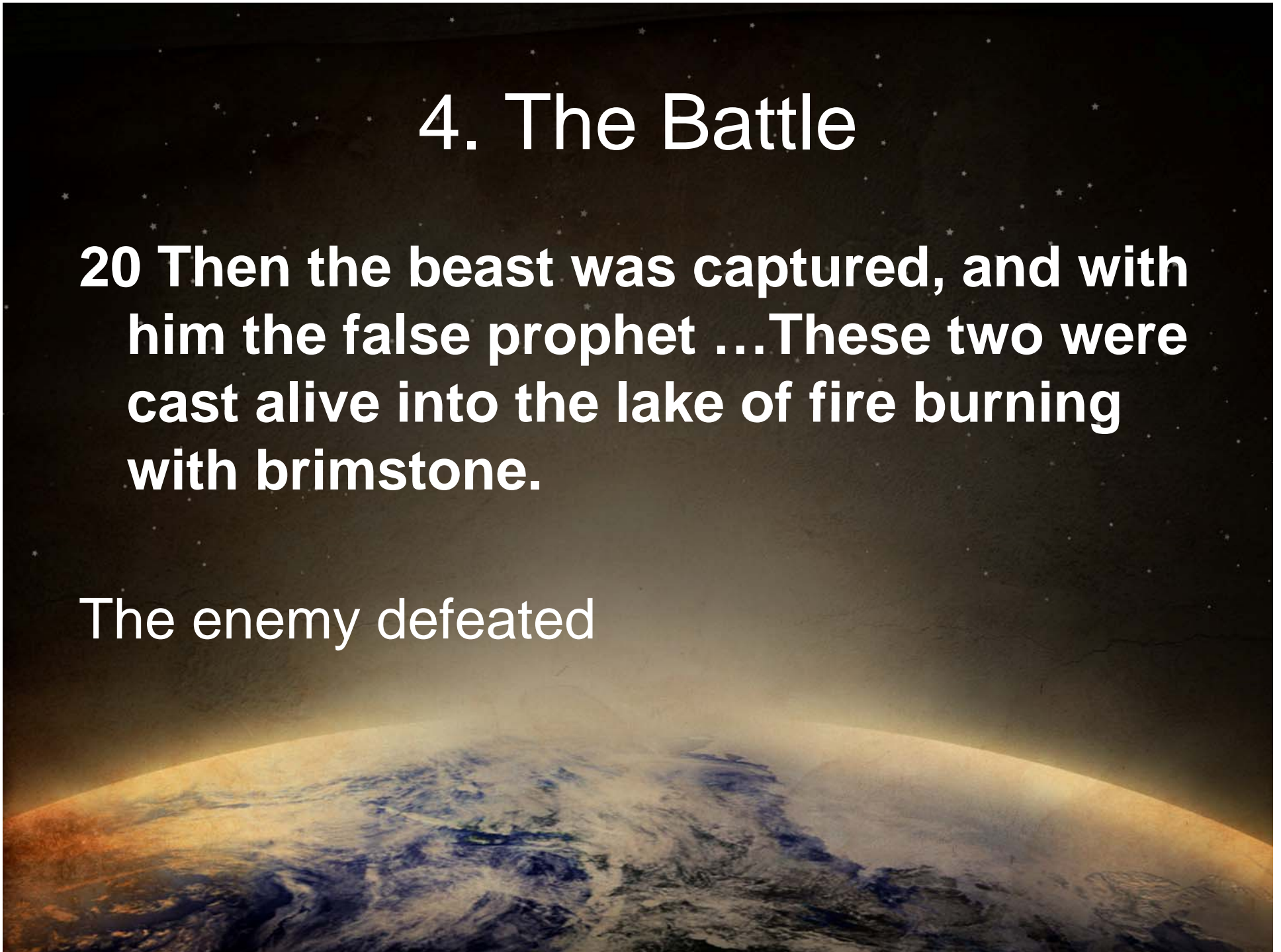
The brief but catastrophic Day of the Lord destruction will result in an unprecedented slaughter, with uncounted millions of dead bodies strewn throughout the valley (14:20).

Even after the birds have gorged themselves, it will still take seven months to bury the remaining corpses (Ezek. 39:12).

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**20 Then the beast was captured, and with him the false prophet ...These two were cast alive into the lake of fire burning with brimstone.**

The enemy defeated



# The Return of Christ

**We anticipate the coming for His bride at any time.**

There is only one solution for the world's problems: the return of its true King, the Lord Jesus Christ, to establish absolute monarchy and unilateral authority in His earthly kingdom.

