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Words to Find:
 "Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old he will not depart from it."

Fault Finding

J. West

Napoleon said that the man who never makes a mistake never makes war. Those who content themselves with standing aloof from revival and temperance work and devote their energies to pointing out the mistakes and blunders of those who are in the struggle, are making themselves the greatest of all blunders. Nothing is easier than fault-finding. No talent, no self-denial, no brains, or any character are

required to set up in the grumbling business.

"In judging and censuring our brethren, we meddle with that which does not belong to us: we have work enough to do at home; and, if we must needs be judging, let us exercise our faculty upon our own hearts and ways." — Henry

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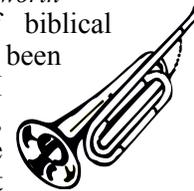



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Listening for the Trumpet

Bill Brinkworth

Hundreds of biblical prophecies have been fulfilled. In I Thessalonians 4, there is one mentioned that will be the next to be fulfilled. Billions, in the last two thousand years, have been waiting for this event (vs. 13-18) to be accomplished. It is the great catching up of the dead in Christ and the Christians that are living (vss. 16- 17) at that time.



The Greek word for "caught up" (vs. 17) is "harpazō", and it means "to catch away, to seize, pluck, pull, and take by force". It is very similar to the English word "rapture", which means "transport, seizing away". Although "rapture" is not used in the preserved King James text, this futuristic happening is often referred to by that name.

When the Lord shouts, the archangel's voice is sounded, and God's trumpet is blown the rapture will occur (vs. 16). The

first to ascend will be the dead in Christ. Those that have trusted Christ as Saviour and died will be called up. Their souls are already joined with him (II Cor. 5:8, Eccl. 12:7) as a soul never dies, but the body sleeps (vs. 14) awaiting its wake-up call by the heavenly summoning of the rapture.

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"Hold the Fort, for I am Coming!"

D. L. Moody

I am told that when General Sherman went through Atlanta towards the sea, he left in the fort in the Kennesaw Mountains a little handful of men to guard some rations that he brought there. General Hood got into the outer rear and attacked the fort, driving the men in from the outer works into the inner works. For a long time the battle raged fearfully.

Half of the men were either killed or wounded. The general, who was in command, was wounded seven different times; and when they were about ready

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The second group to meet the Lord in the air is those Christians which are alive. Before the terrible happenings occur, somewhere after Rev. 4:1, many Christians will be called up also — without dying. No one knows when this catching away will occur (Mat. 24:36). It could be today. It could be tomorrow or twenty years from now, but it will happen; God promised!

If the heavenly trumpet were blown to call the living saved from this world, are you absolutely, positively sure you would be called away home to heaven? What a terrible time it will be when a lot of well-intentioned, good-deeders, and many religious-but-lost find out that they never were summoned by the heavenly call. It will be too late for those that have already heard God's message and have rejected it. What a frightful time it will be when the prophesied wrath of God is finally poured out on this earth to give those that have never heard the Gospel message a chance to turn to Christ for salvation.

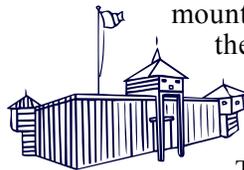
If you are not sure you will be going up during the catching away, make sure of your transport "ticket" today. Admit your sinnership, and trust Christ's death on the cross as the

only payment for your sins. If you do, then you may be one of many that will hear the heavenly trumpet sound its victory call to Christians one day soon.

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to run up the white flag and surrender the fort, Sherman got within fifteen miles. Through the signal corps on the



mountain he sent the message, "Hold the fort; I am coming. W. T. Sherman."

That message fired up their hearts, and they held the fort till reinforcements came, and the fort did not go into the hands of their enemies.

Mr. Bliss has written a hymn entitled, "Hold the Fort for I am Coming." We need to hold our "fort" and not give up serving the Lord. Our Saviour is in command, and He is coming.

*Ho! My comrades, see the signal
Waving in the sky!
Reinforcements now appearing.
Victory is nigh!*

*Hold the fort, for I am coming,"
Jesus signals still,*

"We are going either by the clods or by the clouds. Are you ready?"

Don't shoot at the rescuers, if you are on a sinking ship.

*Wave the answer back to heaven,
By Thy grace we will."*

*See the mighty hosts advancing,
Satan leading on;
Mighty men around us falling.
Courage almost gone.*

*Hold the fort, for I am coming,"
Jesus signals still,
Wave the answer back to heaven,
By Thy grace we will."*

*See the glorious banner waving.
Hear the bugle blow.
In our Leader's name we'll triumph
Over every foe.*

*Hold the fort, for I am coming,"
Jesus signals still,
Wave the answer back to heaven,
By Thy grace we will."*

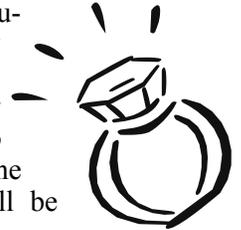
*Fierce and long the battle rages,
But our Help is near;
Onward comes our Great Commander,
Cheer, my comrades, cheer!*

*"Hold the fort, for I am coming,"
Jesus signals still,
Wave the answer back to heaven,
By Thy grace we will."*

The Christian's Ruby Ring

Spurgeon

One king once gave a ring to his favorite subject. He said to him, "I know that tomorrow a charge of heresy will be brought against you. When you come in, answer them if you will, but you need be in no fear. If you find yourself in trouble, simply show them the ring, and they will go no further. The accusation will be dropped."



It is even so with us. The Lord has given us the precious blood of Christ to be like a ruby ring upon our finger. When accusations bother our conscience, or guilt is laid on us from Satan we have only to remember that Christ's sacrifice covers all our sins. Our accusations should then be behind us.

"He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God." John 3:18

"Trust Christ and you shall live. The bloody sacrifice of Calvary is the only hope of sinners."

— C. H. Spurgeon