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We are now ready for:

**Point 8. The Rapture and the Place of Human Good and Divine Good.**

We begin with the warning beginning with;

HEB 5:12 For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you have need again for someone to teach you the elementary principles of the oracles of God, and you have come to need milk and not solid food.

HEB 5:13 For everyone who partakes only of milk is not accustomed to the word of righteousness, for he is a babe.

HEB 5:14 But solid food is for the mature, who because of practice have their senses trained to discern good and evil.

Note that our spiritual senses have to be trained so that the form of deception that Satan uses to blind believers can be identified by those who have PVTD.

When God declares the world to continue with increasing deception and to live in the lie until it is crushed by the infinite power of TLJC, there is little ground for any attempts to save the world or to transform it.

And that's exactly what those who reject the doctrine of the Rapture are trying to do, clean up, save and transform the world.

It's an amazing principle when you think of it!

Here is this world that abuses people, misuses them, takes advantage of them and yet people invest all of their time in trying to make it better.

But it's the same way even with people!

The ones you do the most for, take it for granted because they become familiar with you and expect it.

And then.....

The ones who do the less for them get treated like kings because they are on a works program to make others like them.

The point is that most Christians are involved with movements and programs to try and make this world a better place to live.

And if you try to point out the danger, you are considered to be a heretic and even evil.

When in reality, these apostate believers are so influenced by evil that they cannot even see their very own deception.

As Isaiah said in ISA 5:20.

ISA 5:20 Woe to those who call evil good, and good evil; Who substitute darkness for light and light for darkness; Who substitute bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter!

Christians should not be involved in the attempted rescue of that which God has doomed to destruction which is this world system.

This world system is by its' very nature anti-God.

And again.....

This is a perfect description of what's going on in Christianity today.

God has doomed this world, under its present leader Satan to destruction and yet so many believers are working overtime to try and preserve the world that God has doomed.

And they are forgetting of course the fact that TLJC controls history.

Think of it....

Here is this world that the Bible describes as anti-god, and here are all these Christians sidetracked, minus doctrine, trying to clean up the "devils" world. One of the greatest delusions Satan imposes is the supposition that only such things as society considers evil could originate with the devil, if indeed there is a devil at all to originate anything.

And.....

It is the Word of God which reveals the fact that governments, morals, education, art, commercialism, vast enterprises and organizations, and much of religious activity are all a part of the deception of Satan.

Satan even uses all the good which he can in the world to try and accomplish his goal which is to be equal with God.

What are the things he aims to accomplish?

He aims to be like the Most High!

And that is why,,,,,,,,,

The presence of evil in the world is not due to Satan's intention to have it so but the fact that Satan's ambition has led him to undertake more than any creature could ever handle.

The Bible teaches that the world system must be destroyed, not its evil alone, but all that is in it, both good and bad.

God will include nothing of Satan's failure into that kingdom which He will set up in the earth.

All the programs out today, whether Christian or non-Christian will be rejected when TLJC comes back to set up His kingdom.

And so;

The Satanic lie is expanded to the point where its' manifestation embraces all that is in the world and it is built on the one original idea which characterizes it all, namely, independence of God.

One thing that Satan promotes is independence from God.

He is the father of creature credit!

And today.....

Scores of believers are involved with trying to clean up the world and make it presentable for TLJC, when in reality they are helping the super creature genius, Satan himself.

Those of the world system are not influenced by God's word.

Even cosmic Christians are not influenced by Bible doctrine.

This reveals the far-reaching effect of the Satanic deception.

And so there you have the reason why many things that Christians are involved with are classified as evil.

They are not dedicated to doctrine.

They are not accurate in their doctrine.

They are not interested in doctrine.

They are too busy.

Too busy doing what?

Too busy cleaning up the devil's world.

Too busy getting prayer back into schools.

Too busy because they are involved in politics!

Too busy blowing up abortion clinics.

Too busy killing doctors.

Too busy trying to make the world a better place to live.

Too busy sticking their nose into other people's business.

Too busy intruding into the privacy of other people.

Too busy destroying property.

Too busy trying to make this nation a "Christian nation" when we are a Client Nation.

In a priest or client nation to God, there exist all the concepts of freedom, including privacy, the sacredness of property and life, free enterprise, and little government with big people.

Yet evangelicals today want to pass laws which would, in effect, make all unbelievers outlaws.

His is wrong and evil.

Under freedom, people have the right to believe in Christ, to be evangelized, and to say no or yes to the Gospel.

People's rights must be **protected** whether we agree with them or not.

Furthermore,

Believers in a client nation should be free to find their right pastor and learn the details of the PPOG from him, and as a result, to have a fantastic historical invisible impact.

In any client nation there are both believers and unbelievers, as well as many other religions besides Christianity.

There is no such thing as so-called "Christian laws, the standards for Christianity are found only in the PPOG and in our portfolio of invisible assets.

Therefore,

We have no right to interfere in the lives of others and dictate what they should wear, how they should think, or what they should say.

The impact of Christianity is found only in evangelism, yet few believers understand salvation by grace through faith in Jesus Christ.

Therefore;

To outlaw a certain segment of society because they do not adhere to Christian principles is a disaster.

To force a superficial theory of Christianity on all people becomes tantamount to tyranny.

We have the right to our opinions, but so do other believers and others who are involved in cults and religions or for that matter, even atheist have the right to believe what they want to believe.

We have no right to persecute or imprison such people.

The Bible clearly emphasizes that the impact of Christianity on a nation is definitely spiritual.

Christians have civil responsibility in military service, paying taxes, and in fulfilling certain civic responsibilities.

But.....

This does not include violence, destruction of property, intrusion on the privacy of anyone, or any form of civil disobedience.

Yet Christian leaders in evangelicalism today are advocating civil disobedience.

The separation of church and state demands that.....

The believer understands his role in society in terms of the will, plan, and purpose of God for the Church-age believer as a member of the royal family of God.

The spiritual impact of the PPOG not only opposes the present modus operandi of Christian activism, but assigns it to the arrogance of the cosmic system.

Another passage that proves a pre-tribulation Rapture is found in the great "object" of satanic attack.

According to REV 12, the object of satanic attack during the tribulation period is the woman, who produced the child.

REV 12:1 And a great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars;

REV 12:2 and she was with child; and she cried out, being in labor and in pain to give birth.

REV 12:3 And another sign appeared in heaven: and behold, a great red dragon having seven heads and ten horns, and on his heads were seven diadems.

REV 12:4 and his tail swept away a third of the stars of heaven, and threw them to the earth. And the dragon stood before the woman who was about to give birth, so that when she gave birth he might devour her child.

REV 12:5 and she gave birth to a son, a male child, who is to rule all the nations with a rod of iron; and her child was caught up to god and to his throne.

REV 12:6 and the woman fled into the wilderness where she had a place prepared by God, so that there she might be nourished for one thousand two hundred and sixty days.

Approximately 3 and a half years!

Now, who is the woman mentioned in this passage?

It is a reference to Mary, the mother of our Lord.

In ISA 66:7 "Before she travailed, she brought forth; before her pain came, she gave birth to a boy.

Or in;

ISA 9:6 For a child will be born to us, a son will be given to us; And the government will rest on His shoulders; And His name will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace.

Therefore, the woman is a reference to Israel not to Jacob whose name was Israel! Since this child is born to rule all the nations with a rod of iron, it can only refer to our Lord, the one whose right to rule because He is worthy.

Back to REV 3:20-21.

REV 3:20 'Behold, I stand at the door and knock; if anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him, and will dine with him, and he with Me.

REV 3:21 'He who overcomes, I will grant to him to sit down with Me on My throne, as I also overcame and sat down with My Father on His throne.

REV 3:22 'He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches.'  
Not to Israel but to thee church"

The one from whom our Lord Jesus Christ came from is Israel, not the Church!

However, he came unto His own, but His own did not receive Him in JOH 1:9-14.

JOH 1:9 There was the true light which, coming into the world, enlightens every man.

JOH 1:10 He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know Him.

JOH 1:11 He came to His own, and those who were His own did not receive Him.

JOH 1:12 But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, even to those who believe in His name,

JOH 1:13 who were born not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.

JOH 1:14 And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth.

And at the time.....

Now, back to our passage in REV 12 where,,,,,,

Satan is cast out of heaven, REV 12:9, and he goes forth having great wrath, knowing that he has only a short time.

Let's begin in REV 12:6.

REV 12:6 and the woman fled into the wilderness where she had a place prepared by God, so that there she might be nourished for one thousand two hundred and sixty days. Or 3 and a half years.

REV 12:7 And there was war in heaven, Michael and his angels waging war with the dragon. And the dragon and his angels waged war,

REV 12:8 and they were not strong enough, and there was no longer a place found for them in heaven.

REV 12:9 And the great dragon was thrown down, the serpent of old who is called the devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world; he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him.

REV 12:10 And I heard a loud voice in heaven, saying, "Now the salvation, and the power, and the kingdom of our God and the authority of His Christ have come, for the accuser of our brethren has been thrown down, who accuses them before our God day and night.

REV 12:11 "And they overcame him because of the blood of the Lamb and because of the word of their testimony, and they did not love their life even to death.

REV 12:12 "For this reason, rejoice, O heavens and you who dwell in them. Woe to the earth and the sea, because the devil has come down to you, having great wrath, knowing that he has only a short time."

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Now,

The reason Satan turns against Israel can only be explained by the absence of the Church and the restraining ministry of the Holy Spirit.

The church has been the object of satanic attack throughout the Church-age, so why does Satan turn to Israel?

The reason is because;

The Body of Christ, the Bride of Christ is gone so Satan's attack switches to Israel as well as the fact that the Restrainer has been removed as the restrainer.

That would be God the Holy Spirit who has been removed at the Rapture.

One of the reasons why it is important to document the Rapture accurately is that there are large movements in this nation which is based upon the belief that there is no Rapture!

This movement is called dominion theology or reconstructionism which teaches postmillennialist and anti-dispensationalists!

Explain:

These conflicting views impact the "way" believers are involved in this present society.

And each viewpoint produces different action as far as the Christian way of life is concerned.

The point of Christian reconstructionism is that it teaches the victory of God's kingdom on earth during and continuous with our present era.

Some even think that we are in the Millennium and therefore we should do our part to "change" the world!

In fact,

Some mis-interpret MAT 11:12 and LUK 16:16 and say that we are to take the kingdom that God has given us even by violence if necessary.

MAT 11:12 "And from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffers violence, and violent men take it by force.

LUK 16:16 "The Law and the Prophets were proclaimed until John; since then the gospel of the kingdom of God is preached, and everyone is forcing his way into it.  
Now,

A pre-millennialist, which is what we are, believes that Christ's intervening judgment will destroy the current society and then He will institute millennial conditions.

Most people who get involved with this anti-rapture creature credit movement arrive at these views not from the study of scripture but by the romantic attraction of changing the world.

Many of those who deny the Rapture and the Place of Human Good and Divine Good believe that their job is to rebuild our apostate civilization into the Kingdom of God, and so pave the way for the coming Millennium.

Of course,

They overlook and spiritualize the meaning behind such passages as 1TH 4:16-17, 2TH 2:1-3, speaking of the *Rapture* and 1TH 1:7-9, REV 19:11-16, which speaks of the Second Advent.

Believing in the eventual earthly triumph of the Church those who deny the Rapture end up performing human good reconstructionist have also found a natural ally in the positive confession movement.

The Positive Confession Movement teaches their adherents to use their authority in Christ to overcome all impediments to materially successful lives.

They are definitely involved with eating from the Tree of Knowledge of good and evil and the good is human good which is rejected by God.

This is what is known as the Name it and Claim it gospel.

This is attractive to those in lower-middle class hoping to escape the economic restrictions of their lifestyles.

Those who deny the Rapture and confuse it with the Second Advent also emphasize that believers should exercise dominion authority or their "power" in Christ to advance his lordship on this earth.

They take scripture out of context like PHI 4:13 which says;

PHI 4:13 I can do all things through Him who strengthens me.

This contributes greatly to Satan's plan to try and counterfeit the Millennium and get individuals to help him clean up the world.

As Lewis Sperry Chafer, and the writer of one of the finest sets of Systematic theology ever put together.

We are about to get into a lot of quotes from his chapter on Satanology where he writes he writes the following;

**"At the beginning of this division of Satanology, it should be restated with emphasis that Satan's dominant purpose is not, as the popular impression supposes, one of attempting to be unlike God.**

And, of course, we have noted that principle many times as found in ISA 14:14 where Satan said, "I will make myself like the Most High."

Then he goes on to say,

**Satan has explicitly asserted concerning himself, as recorded in ISA 14:14, that Satan's transcendent objective is to be like the Most High."**

This is actually one of the most important principles concerning Satan, and it also one of the least known principles about Satan.

Satan deceived the world and even the Christian church to think that he is totally opposite of God.

This is true inwardly but outwardly what makes his deceptions so great are the overt similarities that he has with God.

Chafer then goes on to describe that;

**"Throughout history and prophecy there can be no reasonable doubt about the fact that the one thing Satan is after is worship from man."**

**So much so that during the Tribulation period the man of sin will demand the worship of the people of the earth or they will pay the penalty of death."**

Then he writes that.....

**The unregenerate masses of humanity are said to be deceived by Satan. Their delusion is both tragic and pitiable.**

**In the light of all this disclosure, the dreams of religious guides who predict a transformed, regenerated cosmos as a result of human effort in Christian service are seen to be without foundation."**

By the way that is a perfect description of what's going on today with those who are ignorant of the Rapture and the place of Human good and Divine Good.

Most Christians who are involved with this type of thinking don't even know it.

And this is what happens when individuals do not understand the importance of the Rapture position!

The church is not here to help the devil clean up his world!

Chafer goes on....

**"Satan's deceptions continue until he is bound and consigned to the abyss but who will bind Satan and place him in prison?"**

And by the way he reveals that it is not the church or the believer that binds Satan,  
It is the second coming of TLJC.

Then he goes on to say on page 100 volume 2.

**"What form of deception has seized good men that they should fail to see the uncomplicated teaching of the Bible with respect to the course and end of evil?"**

Of course, we know that the form of deception that Satan uses is to blind believers who have NVTD.

Chafer writes,

**"When God declares, as he does, that the cosmos diabolicus, is to continue with increasing deception and to continue to the embodiment of the lie until it is crushed by the infinite power of the returning King,**

**There is little ground for any attempts to save it or transform it."**

What a statement that is!

Especially in light of the time in which we live.

And that's exactly what those who reject the doctrine of the Rapture are try to clean up, save and transform the world!

Most Christians are involved with movements and programs to try and make this world a better place to live.

And if you try to point out the danger, you are considered to be a heretic and even evil.

When in reality,

These apostate believers are so influenced by evil that they cannot even see their very own deception.

Look at the warning of Isaiah in ISA 5:20-26.

ISA 5:20 Woe to those who call evil good, and good evil; Who substitute darkness for light and light for darkness; Who substitute bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter!

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ISA 5:21 Woe to those who are wise in their own eyes, And clever in their own sight!

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ISA 5:22 Woe to those who are heroes in drinking wine, And valiant men in mixing strong drink;

ISA 5:23 Who justify the wicked for a bribe, And take away the rights of the ones who are in the right!

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ISA 5:24 Therefore, as a tongue of fire consumes stubble, And dry grass collapses into the flame, So their root will become like rot and their blossom blow away as dust; For they have rejected the law of the Lord of hosts, And despised the word of the Holy One of Israel.

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ISA 5:25 On this account the anger of the Lord has burned against His people, And He has stretched out His hand against them and struck them down, And the mountains quaked; and their corpses lay like refuse in the middle of the streets. For all this His anger is not spent, But His hand is still stretched out.

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ISA 5:26 He will also lift up a standard to the distant nation, And will whistle for it from the ends of the earth; And behold, it will come with speed swiftly.

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Chafer goes to say.

**"Indeed, Christians are exhorted to be instant in season and out of season in the saving of individuals; but that is far removed as an objective from the attempted rescue.**

**of that which God has doomed to destruction (ei the world) and that which by its very nature is against God."**

Again, this is a perfect description of what's going on in Christianity today!

Chafer goes on;

**God has doomed this world, under its present leader, to destruction and yet so many believers are working overtime to try and preserve the world that God has doomed.**

Forgetting of course the fact that TLJC controls history.

Think of it, Chafer says....

**Here is this world that the Bible describes as anti-God, and here are all these Christians sidetracked, minus doctrine, trying to clean up the devil's world.**

I gave you that before because I quoted from this exact statement.

All preachers do that but most of them are too insecure to have their congregation think that their teachings are from what they have learned from others and they forget what the wisest man in the Old Testament said, there is nothing new under the sun.

Chafer writes;

**"Next to the lie itself, the greatest delusion Satan imposes-reaching to all unsaved and to a large portion of Christians is the supposition that only such things as society considers evil could originate with the devil.**

**if indeed, there may be any devil to originate anything."**

**"It is not the reason of man, but the revelation of God which points out that governments, morals, education, art, commercialism, vast enterprises and organizations, and much of religious activity are included in the cosmos diabolicus. (the devil's world).**

**"That is, the system which Satan has constructed includes all the good which he can incorporate into it and be consistent in the thing he aims to accomplish."**

And what are the things he aims to accomplish, Chafer asks?

He aims to rule the world and make it better than the one God originally created and wants it to become better than what God had created for man.

He goes on to say.....

**A serious question arises whether the presence of gross evil in the world is due to Satan's intention to have it so, or whether it indicates Satan's inability to execute all he has designed.**

**The probability is great that Satan's ambition has led him to undertake more than any creature could ever administer."**

As you can see.....,

Dr. Lewis Sperry Chafer has great insight into the subject of evil and the angelic conflict and that is why I strongly recommend Chafer's Systematic Theology over any of the others and there are many.

He says;

**" Revelation declares that the whole cosmic system must be annihilated, not its evil alone, but all that is in it, both good and bad. God will incorporate nothing of Satan's failure into that kingdom which he will set up in the earth."**

All the programs out today, whether Christian or non-Christian will be rejected when TLJC comes back to set up his kingdom.

**"The lie (that is the satanic lie) is expanded to the point where its manifestation embraces all that is in the cosmos, and is built on the one original idea which characterizes it all, namely, independence of God."**

Note that the one thing that Satan promotes is independence from God.

He is the father of creature credit!

And today;

Scores of believers are involved with trying to clean up the world and make it presentable for TLJC, when in reality they are helping the super creature genius, Satan himself!

Chafer goes on to say...

**"Those of the cosmos are influenced not at all by God's word, nor are cosmos Christians much impressed with the solemn truth God has spoken and therefore, such is the far-reaching effect of the satanic deception."**

And there you have why many things that Christians are involved with are classified as evil.

They are not dedicated to doctrine.

They are not accurate in their doctrine.

They are not interested in doctrine.

They are too busy....

Too busy doing what?

Too busy cleaning up the devil's world!

Then Chafer goes on to say;

**"Satan's original independence of God which permeates the whole order, his deceptions about himself, about his purpose, and about the extent of his enterprise, constitute the primary aspects of Satan's method in the cosmos."**

**"Since in pursuing his determination to exalt himself above God, Satan must oppose the divine undertakings, his opposition naturally will be exerted where God is acting at a given time.**

**Since God has no present program which He is following along lines of reformation."**

I hope you heard that!

It didn't come from me,

It came from the first president and founder of Dallas Theological Seminary.

Again, he says;

**"Since God has no present program which He is following along the lines of reformation, education, or civilization (and any record that such undertakings are in God's present purpose will be sought in vain), there is no conflict or satanic resistance in those spheres."**

In other words,

Since God is not in the business of reforming the world, Satan will not oppose those well-meaning Christians who are working so hard to try and make this a Christian world.

Satan's viewpoint is "anything goes," providing the world improves before Christ comes back.

In other words, when it comes to improving education, civilization, or any form of reformation, which would improve the world, there is no satanic resistance.

Why?

Because any plans to clean up the world and make it a better place to live complements Satan's evil goals and policies to be like God,

Chafer then goes on to say...

**"The present relation of God to the cosmos, beyond his sovereign permission and restraint of it, is to save out of it an elect people for his heavenly glory."**

In other words,

As 1TI 2:3-4 says that God desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

Or.....

2PE 3:9 He is not wishing for any to perish but for all to come to repentance.

On the other hand, Chafer says,

**Satan's twofold objective-to exalt self, and to oppose God--is the key by which much may be known that otherwise would be unknown."**

This simply means that if believers get involved with improving the world, they will find little opposition as they contribute to exalting Satan.

In fact, improving the devil's world will bring blessing from Satan.

If the believer is preoccupied with making the world a better place to live, not only is he sidetracked by the wrong emphasis, but he can never fulfill the plan of God and bring glory to God.

Then Chafer talks about how Satan distracts and deceives the believer.....

**"If the believer cannot be beguiled into indifference or a denial of Christ, he is often tempted to place an "undue emphasis" upon some minor truth, and in partial blindness, to sacrifice his whole influence for good through the apparent unbalance of his testimony."**

This is the unbalance view of abortion and making it a part of the spiritual life.,

Or the get-prayer back into public school issue,

Or the get Christians into the white house issue.

He writes that

All these things that believers are getting involved with, and yet if you ask them questions about the Bible and they really cannot give you precise answers.

Then Chafer makes that great statement;

**The value and delusion of a counterfeit are increased by the nearness of its likeness to the real."**

**"By advocating much truth, in the form of a counterfeit system of truth, Satan can satisfy all the external religious cravings of the world, and yet accomplish his own end by withholding that on which man's only hope depends."**

This of course is the grace of God and the saving work of TLJC.

He goes on to say

**"It is, therefore, no longer safe to subscribe blindly to that which promises general good, simply because it is good and is garnished with the teachings of the Bible; for good has ceased to be all on the one side and to be evil on the other."**

Remember they were not to eat of the tree of knowledge of Good and evil; GEN 2:9-17.

GEN 2:9 And out of the ground the Lord God caused to grow every tree that is pleasing to the sight and good for food; the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

Then skip down to GEN 2:15 Then the Lord God took the man and put him into the garden of Eden to cultivate it and keep it.

GEN 2:16 And the Lord God commanded the man, saying, "From any tree of the garden you may eat freely;

GEN 2:17 but from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat from it you shall surely die. "

Notice that there were trees which were for stimulation of the soul, the eyes, every tree that is pleasing to the sight.

There were also trees that were good for foods, every tree that is good for food; provisions for the body.

Then there is the tree that was related to the human spirit and spiritual sustenance which was the tree of life (s), plural and that tree was capacity to appreciate what God has provided in grace.

Man had immediate capacity to appreciate God's grace provision.

And then the test, the tree of knowledge of good and evil was a test, because good and evil are Satan's policy.

This tree was forbidden because good and evil result in spiritual death.

Spiritual death is the result of good and evil.

However,

The point is that man in his creation relationship with God was under grace not under works.

And....

There were two things that Adam and the woman did not need in that relationship, one, was the knowledge of human good and the other was the knowledge of what is evil.

Evil is the thinking of Satan whereas good is the application of that policy of evil which is basically why human good should be rejected by believers.

Good and evil are two things man did not need to know or understand his relationship with God.

Evil is the thinking policy of Satan and good is the application of that policy to experience in history.

He says in effect, if you serve me, you will get the credit.

In Satan's plan, the one who gets the credit is the creature who gets the credit whereas in God's plan it is the CREATOR who gets the credit.

As you have heard so many times before;

It is creature credit verses Creator credit.

After the Fall, man's relationship with God is based on regeneration.

So, the grace relationship before the fall was based on creation.

Everything was provided and one thing is forbidden as an extension of the angelic conflict into human history, eating from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

After the fall, the relationship is based upon regeneration.

However, at the time of the Fall, man ate of the forbidden tree.

The first sin was a sin of negative volition toward the plan of God.

A sin that the majority of humans, including believers, are still committing today.

At this time, man immediately understood good and evil, was immediately under the rulership of Satan, and immediately performs human good: operation fig leaves.

So,

The original parents had a choice to choose God's plan or Satan's plan and they chose Satan's plan.

And therefore, the salvation plan of God came into effect.

Notice good has ceased to be on one side and evil are the other.

Actually, in the world system.....

Under the authority of Satan, good and evil are on the same side.

Chafer also goes on to say.....

**"The real church has by no means lost her foes, for they are now even more numerous, subtle, and terrible than ever before these present enemies, however, like the unclean birds in the mustard tree, have taken shelter under her branches."**

**"They are officiating at her most sacred altars and conducting her institutions.**

**"These vultures are fed by a multitude, both in the church and out, who, in satanic blindness, are committed to the furtherance of any project or the acceptance of any theory that promises good to the world if it is apparently based upon scripture,**

**Little realizing that they are often supporting the real enemy of God.**

What a paragraph!

He is saying that this is all taking place in the church!

And, that members of the church do not even realize what's going on behind the scene!

Many of them are too busy and they simply do not care what Satan is doing as long as they are left alone!

You see,

If you do not understand the angelic conflict, eschatology, and the Doctrine of evil, you will not understand what is taking place behind the scenes.

And all of this is brought out by that statement little realizing that they are often really supporting the enemy of God."

Now, that is a shocking paragraph,

**"A counterfeit is Satan's most natural method of resisting the purpose of God, since by it he can realize to that extent his desire to be like the Most High."**

In other words, Satan watches what God does and then tries to counterfeit that as best as he can!

And this is why the Doctrine of the Rapture is so important.