

## 1. Introduction

a. Resilient meaning "bouncing back"  
- example Timex watch commercial  
\* "take a licking & keeps on  
ticking"

b. Revival where "sleeping Christians  
wake up" to liveliness in Christ  
- Philp 3: ~~13~~ 13-14 reaching forward  
toward the goal of upward  
call of God  
- 1 Thess 5:4-6 children of the  
day (not night)  
\* do not sleep but be sober  
(realistic, self controlled)  
& pray & watch  
\* always looking for Christ's  
return (1 Thess 4:18, 5:11)  
\* 1 Thess 4:13-17 Do not be  
ignorant of Jesus' return

c. Context verses 30-33

- vs. 30 Disciples "we believe You  
came from God"  
- vs. 31 Jesus, "You believe now?"  
- vs. 32 "You will be scattered &  
you will ~~scatter~~ <sup>leave Me</sup> (desert me)  
\* but I will not be alone. My  
Father is with Me

d. Ps 62:8 Trust in God at all times  
- God is our refuge (place of safety)  
- Pour out your heart to God

e. John chapters 14-17 Upper Room  
Discourse

- where Jesus talks with His  
disciples after Last Supper

f. But Jesus wants to give His disciples  
peace

## 2. Meaning of Tribulation (2)

a. What does tribulation mean?

- can mean persecution (external)
- can mean trials or testing (internal)

b. Jesus will have a personal tribulation

- arrested, trial, & death sentence
- betrayed by one of His own disciples (Judas Iscariot)
- denied by another disciple (Peter)

c. Jesus comforts His disciples

- "Be of good cheer"
- "I have overcome the world"
- \* past tempted by Satan (Mt 4:1-11)
- \* very near future "I will die & rise again"

## 3. Disciples' coming tribulation

a. the teacher Jesus will die

b. they will all scatter

c. they will desert Jesus

\* Mt 26:56, Mk 14:50

\* their experience crushed them  
Peter Lk 22:54-62 wept bitterly

e. Disciples hid in a locked room after Jesus' death (Jn 20:19)

f. All eleven disciples crumpled in face of fear

## 4. Jesus knew of His coming death

a. First time Jesus tells His disciples

- Mt 16:12-13, 21 Whom do men say that I am?

- Mk 8:29, 31 You are the Christ

- Lk 9:22 will be raised 3rd day

b. Second time Jesus warns His disciples

- Mt 17:22-23 Son of Man shall be betrayed - they felt sorry

- Mk 9:30-32 men shall kill Jesus - disciples did not understand

- Lk 9:43-45 Son of Man shall be delivered into men's hands - disciples afraid to ask

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- 4c. Third time Jesus tell His disciples on way to Jerusalem
- Mt 20:17-19 betrayed to chief priests & Gentiles will crucify Him
  - Mk 10:32-34 Jesus leads His disciples & tells them that He will rise again (alive) on the third day
  - Lk 18:31-34 all things written by the prophets will be accomplished - these sayings hidden from them

- d. At the Last Supper for final time
- Mt 26:31-32 prophecy "I will strike the shepherd - but Jesus will meet them in Galilee after He rises to life again"
  - Mk 14:27-28 all will be offended this night because of Me

5. Jesus gives promise to His disciples

a. "I have overcome the world,"

b. How can Jesus help me?

- Heb 2:18 Jesus Himself was tempted by Satan
- \* now He can help me when I'm tempted

c. How did Jesus overcome the world?

- Heb 13:20 God sees the great Shepherd of the sheep
- \* God raised Jesus back to life from the dead
- \* through the blood of the everlasting covenant
- \* God is the God of Peace

- Jesus made peace between God & man

- \* Col 1:20-21 we were once enemies of God by wicked works
- \* Jesus reconciled us to God
  - x reconcile means to bring people together in agreement
  - x former enemies, opposites
- \* how? through blood of His cross

d. Jesus is always with His disciples

- Mt 28:20 I am with you always,
- Heb 13:5 "I will never leave you..."