Today's Signs that are Setting the Stage for Our Lord's Appearing to Take-up-'Rapture' His Bride the Church

The Rapture: a <u>sign-less</u> event in the Bible - because it is imminent - it could occur at any moment! (1 Cor 1:7, 1 Thes 1:10, Titus 2:3, Heb 9:28, Jam 5:7-9, 1 Pet 1:13, Jude 21, Rev 3:11, 22:7, 12, 17, 20)

The Tribulation (7 years- commencing after the Rapture): Note: Revelation Chapters 4-17 gives the framework for a clear and sequential outline of the coming events. These chapters can then be "harmonized" with the 100+ of other Bible passages regarding the Tribulation.

Christ's 2nd Coming to the earth will Start His Millennial Reign(1,000yrs) (Note: first coming was His birth)

No One Knows the Day or Hour

The second coming of the Lord Jesus Christ (first was His Birth) is the most significant single truth in all Bible prophecy! (Mentioned 329+ times!) And it unlocks 15+ future events!

John 14:3

And if I go and prepare a place for you, <u>I will come again and receive you to Myself</u>; that where I am, *there* you may be also.

Matthew 24:36

But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, but My Father only.

What are these Signs? (more than 20)

Matthew 24:3 "What will be the signs of Your coming and the end of the age?"

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	1)	Israel "The Supper Sign"	Matt 24:31, Ezek 37:21-22
	2)	The Rise of Russia (becomes a superpower militarily1950- present)	Ezek 38-39
	3)	Capital and Labor Conflicts (greed based problems 'the haves vs have-nots')	James 5:1-6
	4)	Increase Travel and Knowledge (cars, planes, boats, computers, etc)	Dan 12:4
	5)	-Apostasy (Greek: rejection/denial) of truth	
		2Tim 4:1-4	
	6)	Occultism	2Tim 4:3-4
	7)	Scoffers	2 Tim #244 3:1-5
	8)	Moral Breakdown	2 Pet 3:1-12
	9)	One-World Church	Rev 17
	10)	One-World: Government (League of Nations 1919, United Nations 1947)	Dan 2:40-43, 7:23-24, 8,
		currency, commercial system, religion	Matt 24:15-22
			2 Thess 2:8
			Rev 13,17-18 and others

Joshua 24:14-16 Our individual and family and CVBF Commitment !!!

14"Now therefore, fear the LORD, serve Him in sincerity and in truth, and put away the gods which your fathers served on the other side of the River and in Egypt. Serve the LORD!

15 And if it seems evil to you to serve the LORD, choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods which your fathers served that were on the other side of the River, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you dwell. But as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD." 16 So the people answered and said: "Far be it from us that we should forsake the LORD to serve other gods