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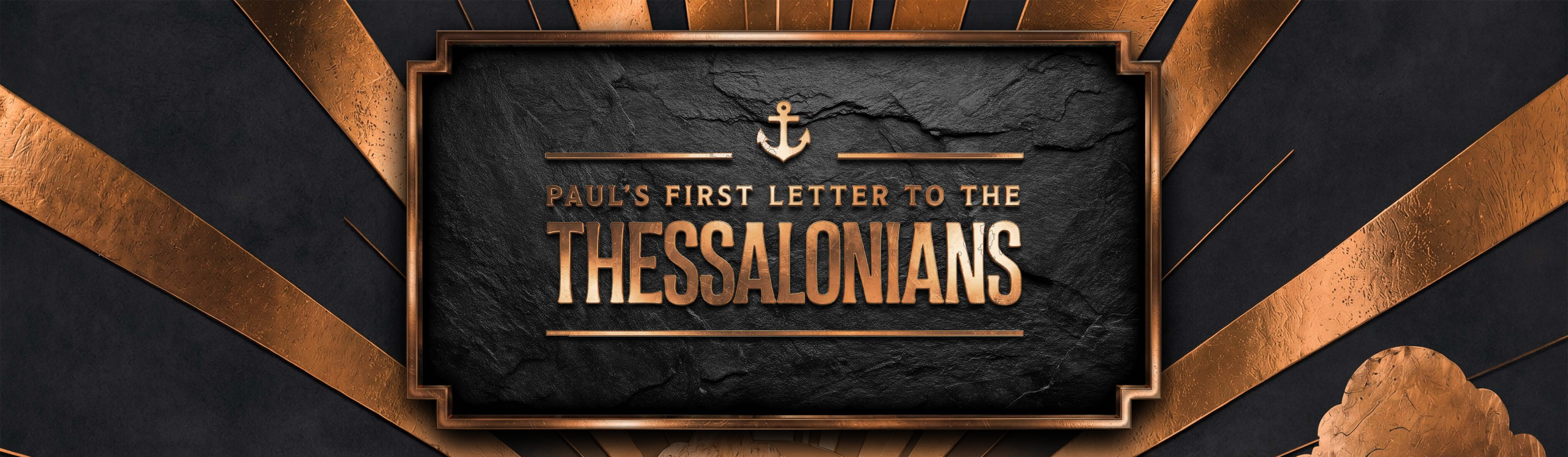
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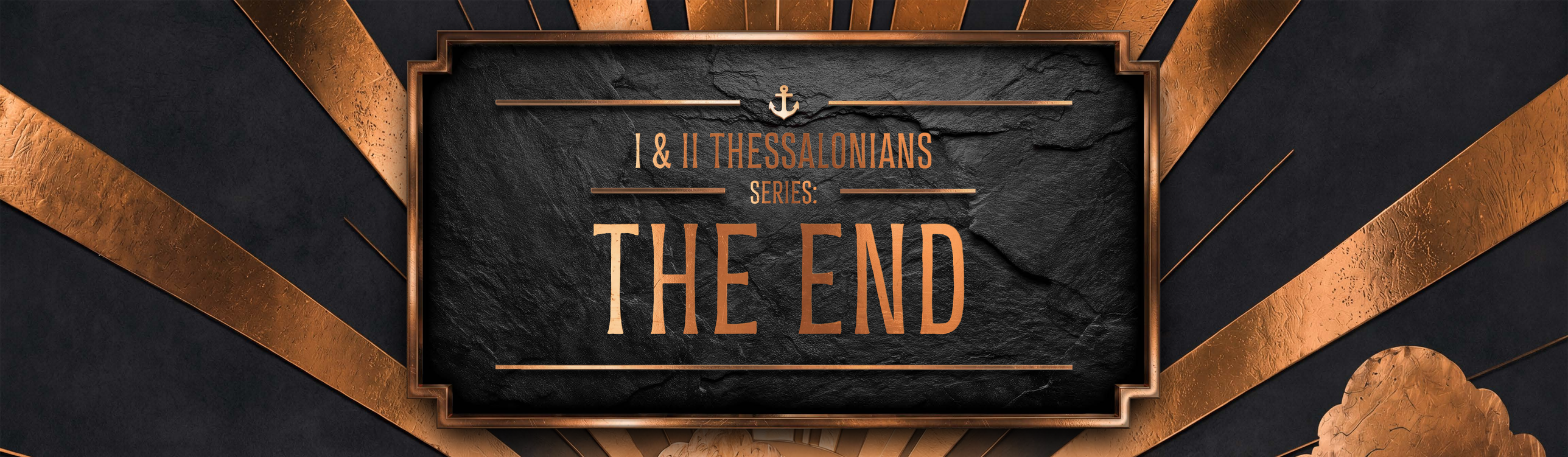
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CAUGHT UP

1 Thessalonians 4:17

- Greek -

ἁρπάζω

HARPÁZŌ

TO SEIZE, TO SNATCH AWAY,
TO CARRY OFF;
PLUCK, PULL, TAKE, CATCH;
CLAIM FOR ONE'S SELF EAGERLY

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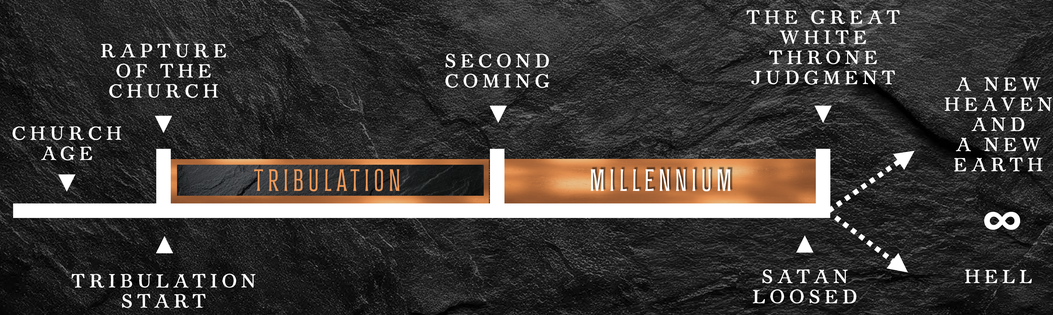

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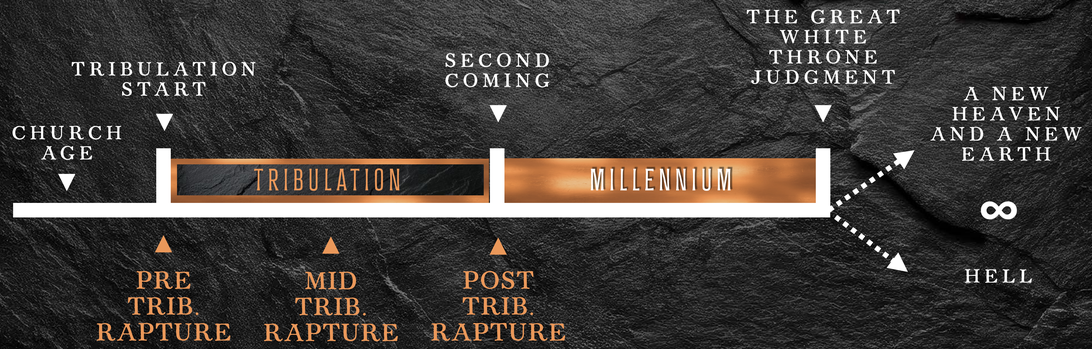

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THE BIBLICAL CASE FOR A PRE-TRIBULATION RAPTURE

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PRE-TRIBULATION RAPTURE:

COMFORTING

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PRE-TRIBULATION RAPTURE: COMFORTING

17 THEN WE WHICH ARE ALIVE AND REMAIN
SHALL BE CAUGHT UP TOGETHER WITH
THEM IN THE CLOUDS, TO MEET THE LORD
IN THE AIR: AND SO SHALL WE EVER
BE WITH THE LORD. 18 WHEREFORE
COMFORT ONE ANOTHER WITH THESE WORDS.

1 THESSALONIANS 4:17-18

1

PRE-TRIBULATION RAPTURE: COMFORTING

9 For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but
to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ,
10 Who died for us, that, whether we wake or
sleep, we should live together with him.
11 Wherefore comfort yourselves together,
and edify one another, even as also ye do.

1 THESSALONIANS 5:9-11

II

PRE-TRIBULATION RAPTURE:

ESCAPISM

II

PRE-TRIBULATION RAPTURE: ESCAPISM

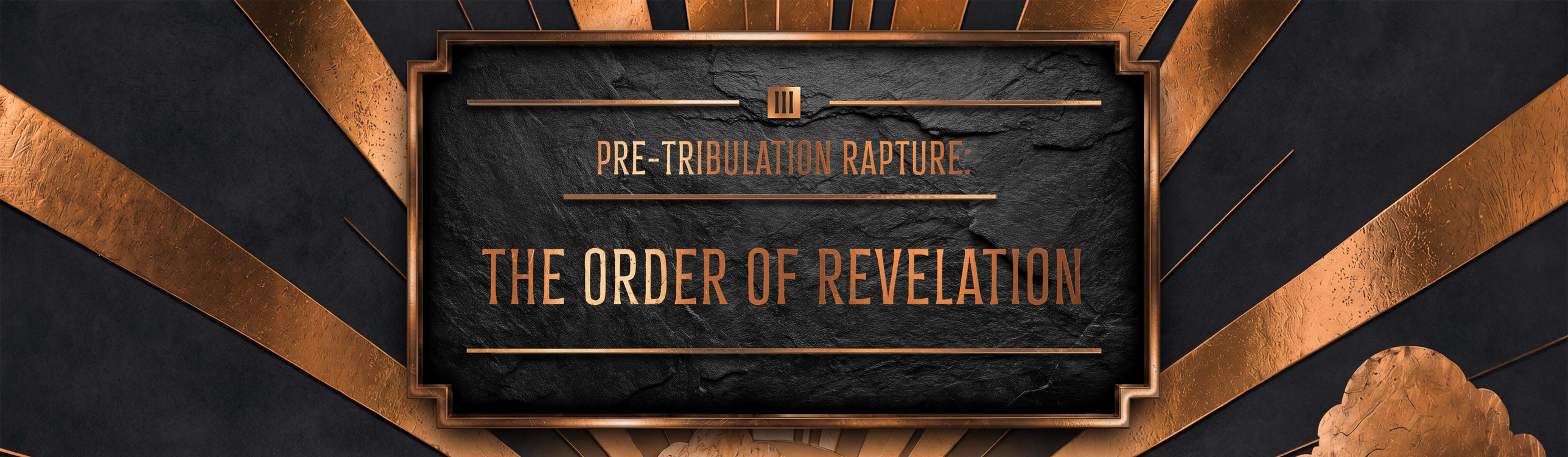
36 Watch ye therefore, and pray always,
that ye may be accounted worthy to
escape all these things that shall come to pass,
and to stand before the Son of man.

LUKE 21:36

III

PRE-TRIBULATION RAPTURE:

THE ORDER OF REVELATION



III

PRE-TRIBULATION RAPTURE:
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19 WRITE THE THINGS WHICH
THOU HAST SEEN,
AND THE THINGS WHICH ARE,
AND THE THINGS WHICH
SHALL BE HEREAFTER;

REVELATION 1:19

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24 And Enoch
walked with God:
and he was not;
for God took him.

GENESIS 5:24

V

PRE-TRIBULATION RAPTURE:
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5 By faith Enoch was translated that he should not see death; and was not found, because God had translated him: for before his translation he had this testimony, that he pleased God.

HEBREWS 11:5

VI

PRE-TRIBULATION RAPTURE:

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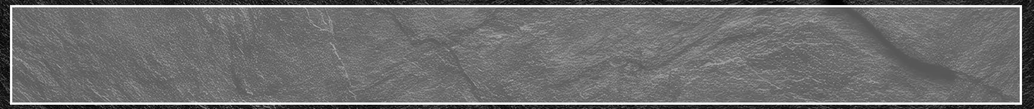

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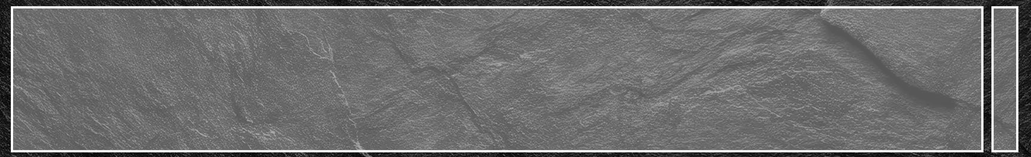

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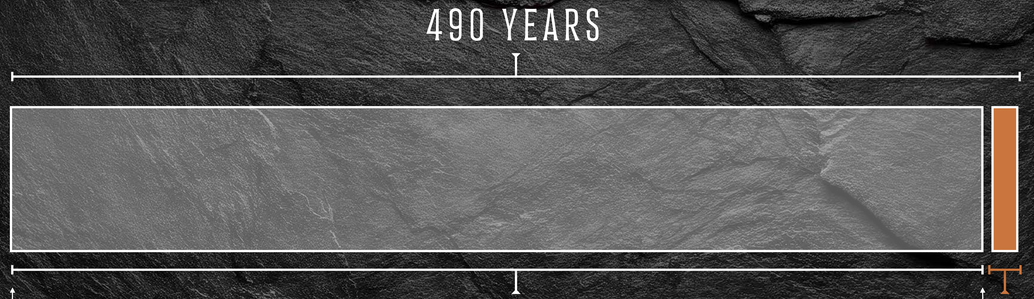

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RAPTURE OF THE CHURCH

483 YEARS

69 "WEEKS"

7 YEARS

1 "WEEK"

25 For I would not, brethren, that ye
should be ignorant of this mystery, lest
ye should be wise in your own conceits;
that blindness in part is happened to
Israel, until the fulness of the Gentiles
be come in. 26 And so all Israel shall be
saved: as it is written, There shall come
out of Sion the Deliverer, and shall
turn away ungodliness from Jacob:

ROMANS 11:25-26

VII

PRE-TRIBULATION RAPTURE:

THE TRUMP OF GOD

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15 And the seventh angel sounded;
and there were great voices in heaven,
saying, The kingdoms of this world are
become the kingdoms of our Lord,
and of his Christ; and he shall
reign for ever and ever.

REVELATION 11:15

VII

PRE-TRIBULATION RAPTURE:
THE TRUMP OF GOD

16 For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: 17 then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

1 THESSALONIANS 4:16-17

VIII

PRE-TRIBULATION RAPTURE:

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13 Watch therefore, for
ye know neither the day
nor the hour wherein
the Son of man cometh.

MATTHEW 25:13

IX

PRE-TRIBULATION RAPTURE:

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7 For the mystery of iniquity doth already work:
only he who now letteth will let, until he be
taken out of the way. 8 And then shall that
Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume
with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy
with the brightness of his coming: 9 Even him,
whose coming is after the working of Satan with
all power and signs and lying wonders,

2 THESSALONIANS 2:7-9

X

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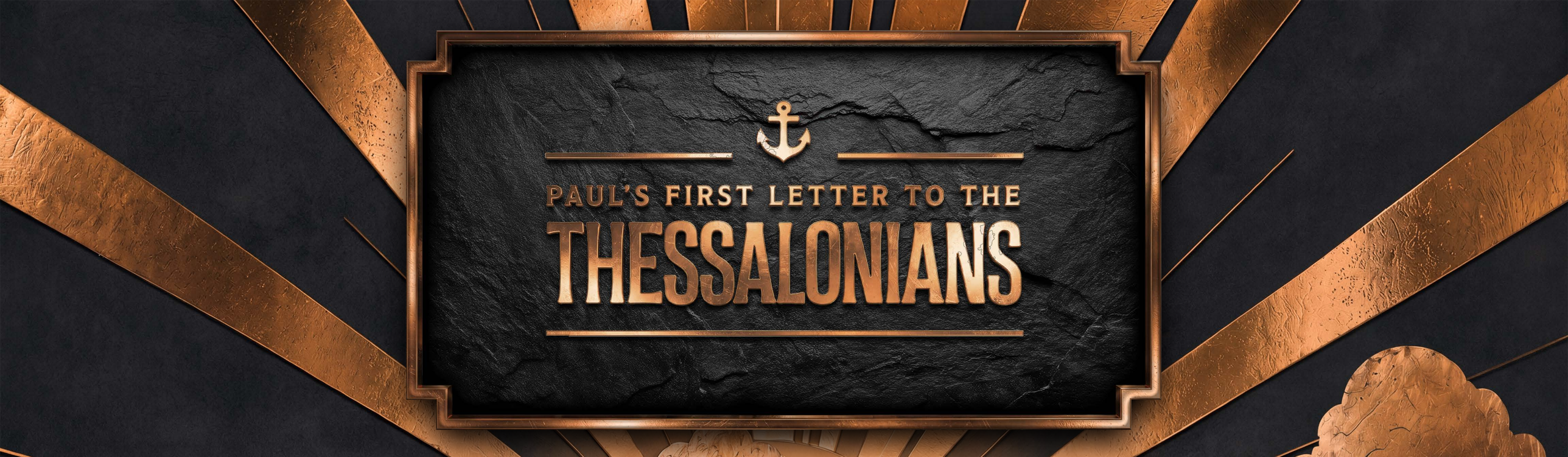
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