

The Everlasting GOSPEL

12619 I use KJV and Greek Word Interpretations. I Capitalize some words for added emphasis, don't let that bother you, Just Enjoy learning from the Bible.

Of JESUS CHRIST Born Of The HOLY SPIRIT

How shall I liken this generation?

Luke 7:31 "And The Lord Said, where unto then shall I liken the men of this generation? And to what are they like?

(Lord: Kyrios, koo'-ree-os = Supreme in Authority. To whom shall I liken the men: anthropos, anth'-ro-pos = man faced, human beings. Of this generation: genea, ghen-eh-d ah' = an age, time).

7:32 "They are like unto children sitting in the marketplace, and calling to one another, and saying, We have piped unto you, and ye have not danced; we have mourned to you, and ye have not wept.

(Indifferent Children stuck in time like a rut. Half grown, but never interested in growing up. It's as if they were emotionally dead, not able to sing or weep, no matter what the stimulus. They just sit there staring vacantly at you. JESUS has been seeing all of this in the Jewish people in Israel).

7:33-35 "For John the Baptist came neither eating bread or drinking wine; and ye say he hath a devil. The Son of man is come eating and drinking; and ye say, Behold a gluttonous man, and winebibber, a friend of publicans and sinners! But wisdom is justified of all her children. (These spiritually dead, fault finding Pharisees, were twisting everything, so they didn't have to believe either John or JESUS; or make any changes in themselves towards GOD. The Scribes and Pharisees were spiritually shut down. Their reaction to all JESUS

Miracles, was to harden their heart all the more. And Continue Planning With the Political Herodians, For JESUS Death. (See Mark 3:6. 8:15. 12:13. Matt 22:16. Luke 13:31-32). Lets go to...

Matthew 11:2 "Now when John had heard in prison the works of Christ, he sent two of his disciples, and said unto Him, Art Thou HE that should come, or do we look for another? (John, shackled in prison, was needing Assurance that JESUS was indeed the Messiah the Jews were waiting for).

11:4-6 "JESUS answered and said unto them, Go and show John again those things which ye do hear and see: The blind receive their sight, and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the poor have the gospel preached to them. And blessed is he, who-soever shall not be offended in ME. (The things Messiah would do for His people, JESUS had already been busy doing for over a year).

In verses 7-11 JESUS praises John the Baptist. John was the greatest of Prophets, in that he got to Introduce and Baptize the Messiah, JESUS, The CHRIST Of GOD).

11:12 "And from the days of John the Baptist until now the Kingdom of Heaven suffers violence, and the violent take it by force. (Suffers violence: biazo, bee-ad'-zo = to crowd oneself in. The people were thronging around

JESUS to receive... His Ministry of the Kingdom of Heaven. The violent: biastes, bee-as-tace' = a forcer, energetic (towards). Take it by force: harpazo, har-pad'-zo = to seize, catch (up, away) pluck, take (by force, for oneself. And all who crowd into JESUS, will one day be har-pad'-zo = Greek for Rapture. Comes from the Latin Vulgate Translation rapio = to catch up, Rapture. So yes, the Word for the Rapture is in the Bible. Read 1st Thessalonians 4:17. Caught Up).

11:13-15 "For all the Prophets and the Law Propheesied Until John. And if ye will receive it, this is Elijah, which was to come. He that has ears to hear, let him hear.

(John was the return of Elijah, (Malachi 4:1-6, Matthew 17:10-13) the last of the O.T. Prophets. Both the Law and the Prophets Propheesied the coming of Messiah, JESUS The Christ, the SON and Servant Of GOD.

But if they Reject JESUS, Israel would have neither Root nor Branch to look forward to, until His Second Coming to the Mount Of Olives, Jerusalem, Israel, on Earth).

Then finish reading verses 16 through 19, another recap of JESUS assessment of the people's lethargic spirit condition.

John was a Big Man, whom JESUS called great: meizon, mide'-zone = big, large. And he had quite a Voice.

It must have took a lot of scribes and Pharisees hands, placing over their ears, to keep the Words of John The Baptist, from penetrating their thick heads.

The Nation of Israel had long stopped listening to their Prophets. As far back as Elijah; so they were Not going to listen to the Return of that Elijah Voice in John. And certainly Not the Voice Of GOD In JESUS.