THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE RAPTURE & SECOND COMING

TEXT:  I Thess. 4:16-18

“RAPTURE” in the Greek,”harpazo” means - “To snatch out” or “to seize”. In Latin, it is called, “raptus” - “to be snatched out” or “caught up”. A snatching away!

These verses in I Thess. chapter four are clearly talking about the dead in Christ (vs. #16) and those (believers) that are alive, not the unbelievers.

SEE: Isaiah 26:19 - “Thy dead men shall live together with my dead body shall they arise... and the earth shall cast out the dead.”

THE RAPTURE:

1) For Only The Saved. (dead and alive) I Thess. 4:16 & 17.
2) The Trumpet Will Sound. (probably only the saved will hear it) Verse #16.
3) Jesus Is Coming Himself. Verse #16.
4) God Uses An Archangel To Voice Christ’s Return. Verse #16. (probably Michael or Gabriel the archangel)

Other Verses Pertaining To The Resurrection At The Rapture:

I Cor. 15:22/Col. 3;4/ Phil. 3:20 & 21/ I John 3:21/

THE SECOND COMING:

1) WHEN?

At the end of the 7 yrs. of Tribulation. Rev.19:11 - 16.
2) WILL ALL SEE JESUS ? (saved & unsaved)


3) WILL JESUS RESURRECT THE DEAD THE THE 2ND COMING ?

YES! Only the believers, though.

The Rapture (before the Tribulation), will take place, but the rest of the people who get saved & die during the Tribulation will be resurrected right before the 1,000 yr. reign of Christ (at the end of the Tribulation). Rev. 20:4 & 5.

The 2nd resurrection will be AFTER the 1,000 yr. reign of Christ. The beast and false prophet are cast alive into the lake of fire at the end of the Tribulation. (BEFORE the 1,000 yr. reign) Rev. 19:20. Satan, then, is bound for the 1,000 yrs.
Rev. 21:2. After the 1,000 yrs. is complete, Satan is loosed.
Rev. 21:7.

4) WHY IS SATAN LOOSEED ?

Satan tries to deceive the people who lived during the 1,000 yr. reign, but were not happy under Jesus kingdom. Those unsaved residents follow Satan for a short period of time. Rev. 20:8 - 10.

5) WHEN IS THE 2ND RESURRECTION ?

Rev. 20:11 - 15. After the 1,000 yr. reign, at The Great White Throne Judgment. ALL of these people will be the lost, unsaved, of all time, since the world began.

OTHER VERSES PERTAINING TO THE JUDGMENT OF THE UNGODLY:

END TIME VERSES:

- Matt. 24:37,38 & 42
- II Tim. 3: 1-5
- I Tim. 4: 1-5
- Daniel 12:4
- II Peter 3: 3 & 4
- II Peter 3:10