

RECEIVED ALONGSIDE OF JESUS

Some see the ones “left” as the privileged ones who will populate the Millennial Kingdom. This would mean the ones “taken” go to judgment. They play with English words by explaining that Noah was “left” on the earth, and the wicked were “taken” [G142, *airō*] or removed in judgment. This has no hermeneutical or contextual basis. This is not the same Greek word. Observe how the word “taken” is used in other places in the New Testament.



Matthew
24:40-41

“one shall be taken [G3880, *paralambanō*], and the other left” (Mt.24:40)

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Luke
17:34-36

“one shall be taken [G3880, *paralambanō*], and the other shall be left” (Lk.17:34)

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The word “taken” is the same word (Gk. *paralambanō*) Jesus used in John 14:3 for “receive”. This has a positive thought behind it, not a negative one. And certainly not for judgment.



John
14:3

**“And if I go and prepare a place
for you, I will come again, and
receive [G3880, *paralambanō*]
you unto myself; that where I
am, there ye may be also.”
(Jn.14:3)**

paralambanō

para - Carries the idea of being brought alongside
lambanō - Carries the idea of receiving something

It means “to receive to oneself”. Here it has the idea of being received along side of Jesus.