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COMFORT IN GRIEF

as you GO

These are simple questions to ask your student as you go home from church or go about your weekly activities.

- .01** Why is it often difficult to wait for good things to happen, or to get answers to our questions? What are some things you are waiting for?
- .02** What are some of the things that comfort you when you are feeling sick, tired, or down in the dumps (e.g., favorite foods, blankets, a favorite movie)?

family DEVOTION

Consider following up with your student later in the week with the following summary and discussion questions.

summary: 1 THESSALONIANS 4:13-18

There was apparently a great deal of confusion in the Thessalonian church about what happened to believers after they died. The believers had hope in the second coming of Christ, but were afraid that those who had already died would miss out on it. So Paul wrote to them to clear up their misunderstandings. Although all of us in this broken world will experience death—both our own and that of loved ones—as Christians we can all be assured that death does not have the final say. Through Christ, we have the hope of future resurrection and eternal life with Him.

discussion QUESTIONS

- .01** Why did the Thessalonians need Paul to clarify things for them? What were they discouraged or confused about?
- .02** How can the promise of resurrection and eternal life bring you comfort in when you think about death? How might you share this reality with a friend who does not yet know Jesus as an encouragement to them?

PRAY: Thank God for His promise of eternal life for all who believe in Him, and that we can have hope in the face of present suffering because of this bright future with Him.

CENTRAL truth

The hope of Christ's return comforts us in present grief.

LEADER challenge

Challenge your student to use the Daily Devotions provided in their *Daily Discipleship Guide* to study God's Word this week. These are the passages covered in this week's devotions.

DAY 1 1 THESS. 4:13-14

DAY 2 1 THESS. 4:15-18

DAY 3 PSALM 10:12-15

DAY 4 JEREMIAH 31:10-14

DAY 5 JOHN 16:19-22

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