

Grow. Give. Go.

“WE BELIEVE”

“NOURISHED ON THE WORDS OF FAITH AND SOUND DOCTRINE”

PART 20

“WE BELIEVE... IN THE PERSONAL, VISIBLE & IMMINENT RETURN OF CHRIST”

“Living in Light of the Blessed Hope”

(1 Thessalonians 4:13-5:11)

INTRODUCTION:

OVERVIEW OF THE CONTEXT:

1A. THE FIRST RESURRECTION (1 Thessalonians 4:13-18)

—LIVING WITH _____: BE _____!

2A. THE DAY OF THE LORD (1 Thessalonians 5:1-11)

—EXPECTING THE _____: BE _____!

THE DAY OF THE LORD: (1 THESSALONIANS 5:1-11)

1A. THE _____ OF THE DAY OF THE LORD:

—The Day of the Lord is that period of time when God—who has seemed to be uninvolved, unjust and uncaring—breaks into history and reveals Himself from heaven as the Sovereign, Righteous, Caring God, executing His _____, restoring His people, the _____ of Israel, and _____ Jesus Christ as Lord. It is a Day of _____.

2A. THE _____ OF THE DAY OF THE LORD:

- The Consummation of Redemptive History...

“...and Jerusalem will be trampled under foot by the Gentiles until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled.”

—Luke 21:24b

3A. THE _____ OF THE DAY OF THE LORD: (V. 2-3)

- 1B. _____ (“like a thief”)
 2B. _____ (“like birth pains”)
 3B. _____ (“they will not escape”)
 2B. _____ (“then destruction will come upon them...”)

3A. THE _____ AND THE DAY OF THE LORD: (V. 4-11)

- 1B. Our _____ (v. 4, 5)
 2B. Our _____ (v. 6-8)
 3B. Our _____ (v. 9-11)

THREE REASSURANCES:

- 1. God's _____ will not be _____.
- 2. God's _____ will not _____.
- 3. God's _____ will be _____.

THE FIRST RESURRECTION: (1 THESSALONIANS 4:13-18)

1A. OUR _____: (V.13-14)

—THE DEAD IN CHRIST WILL RISE _____.

"But we do not want you to be uninformed, brethren, about those who are asleep, so that you will not grieve as do the rest who have no hope. For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so God will bring with Him those who have fallen asleep in Jesus."

—1 Thessalonians 4:13, 14

- _____ Christ there is _____ Hope.

2A. PAUL'S _____: (V.15-17)

—THE DEAD IN CHRIST WILL RISE _____.

1B. The _____ of this Event: (v. 15a)

*"For this we say to you **by the word of the Lord...**"*

2B. The _____ of this Event: (15b-17)

"...that we who are alive and remain until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep."

1C. _____ (16a)

"For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet of God,..."

2C. _____ (16b)

"...and the dead in Christ will rise first."

3C. _____ (17a)

"Then we who are alive and remain will be caught up together with them..."

4C. _____ (17b)

"... with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we shall always be with the Lord."

3A. THE _____: (V.18)

"Therefore, comfort one another with these words."

THREE RAMIFICATIONS: (TITUS 2:11-13; 2 TIMOTHY 4:7-9)

- 1. _____ for His appearing.
- 2. _____ for His appearing.
- 3. _____ for His appearing.