1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 Our Hope in Death

1. The Record

Vs 14a: For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again...

Vs 15a: For this we declare to you by a word from the Lord...

2. The Return

Vs 16a: For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God.

3. The Resurrection

Vs 14b: God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep.

Vs 16b: The dead in Christ will rise...

4. The Rapture

Vs 17a: Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds...

5. The Reunion

Vs 17b: ...to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord.

Christ Our Hope in Life and Death

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What is our hope in life and death? Christ alone, Christ alone What is our only confidence? That our souls to him belong.

Who holds our days within his hand? What comes, apart from his command? And what will keep us to the end? The love of Christ, in which we stand.

<u>Chorus:</u>

O sing hallelujah! Our hope springs eternal O sing hallelujah! Now and ever we confess Christ our hope in life and death.

What truth can calm the troubled soul? God is good, God is good Where is his grace and goodness known? In our great Redeemer's blood.

Who holds our faith when fears arise? Who stands above the stormy trial? Who sends the waves that bring us nigh? Unto the shore, the rock of Christ.

Chorus

Unto the grave, what shall we sing? "Christ, he lives! Christ, he lives!" And what reward will heaven bring? Everlasting life with him.

There we will rise to meet the Lord Then sin and death will be destroyed And we will feast in endless joy When Christ is ours forevermore.

Chorus