

## The Comfort of Christ's Coming – 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

### I. To Avoid Ignorance (v. 13)

1. Paul did not want the church to be ignorant concerning life after death such as people who have no \_\_\_\_\_.
2. "For as in Adam all \_\_\_\_\_, even so in Christ all shall be made \_\_\_\_\_." (1 Cor. 15:22)
3. The attitude of non-believers is, ""Let us \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, for tomorrow we die!" (1 Cor. 15:32)

### II. Hope for Believers (v. 14)

4. Because we believe, we have hope that God will receive us when we \_\_\_ L \_\_\_ P in Jesus.
5. In baptism we are \_\_\_\_\_ and then \_\_\_\_\_ with Christ through faith. (Col. 2:12)
6. "\_\_\_ L \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ D are the dead who die in the Lord." (Revelation 14:13)

### III. The Divine Order of Resurrection (v. 15)

7. At the 2<sup>nd</sup> coming, who will be taken first? Those who are \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. Paul taught these things through the \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus Christ. (Gal. 1:12)

### IV. Events of the Second Coming (v. 16-17)

8. Christ will descend from heaven, just as those in Acts 1 saw him go \_\_\_\_\_. (Acts 1:9–11)
9. The sound of the Lord's coming is described in three ways:
  - (1) A \_\_\_ H \_\_\_ T
  - (2) The \_\_\_ O \_\_\_ \_\_\_ of an archangel
  - (3) The \_\_\_ R \_\_\_ P \_\_\_ of God
10. Where will those who remain alive meet the Lord? (v. 17) In the \_\_\_\_\_
11. How long will we be with the Lord? \_\_\_\_\_
12. Jesus said that He has prepared a \_\_\_\_\_ for us. (John 14:1-3)

### V. Words of Comfort (v. 18)

13. Therefore comfort one another with these \_\_\_\_\_.
14. Our affections and expectations are to be laid up in \_\_\_\_\_. (Matthew 6:19–20)
15. Blessed are those servants whom the master, when he comes, will find \_\_\_\_\_. (Luke 12:37)