**THE GLORIOUS COMING OF THE LORD**

1 Thessalonians 4:13-5:11

Key Verse: 4:16 “For the Lord himself will come down from heaven,with a loud command, with the voice of the archangeland with the trumpet call of God,and the dead in Christ will rise first.”

1. How do believers and unbelievers view death differently? (13-14) How does Jesus’ death and resurrection give us hope?

2. What will happen when Jesus comes again? (15–16) Why will the dead in Christ rise first, and why is it important to know this?

3. What happens to those who are still alive when Jesus comes again? (17; 1 Corinthians 15:51-53, Matthew 24:30) How do the words “meet the Lord in the air” and “be with the Lord forever” encourage us? (18)

4. What reminder did Paul give to the Thessalonians? (5:1-2; cf. Revelation 3:3)

5. Why will unbelievers be completely caught off-guard for the day of the Lord? (5:3-9) How should believers prepare for the day of the Lord?

6. How does Jesus’ death give us hope whether we are alive or dead? (5:10-11; 4:17-18)?