

Encouragement for the Day

(1 Thessalonians 4:13-5:14)

I. Take heart the great reunion is coming (4:13-18)

- a. Do not be uninformed (v13, Phil 1:23)
- b. Our _____ is this: Jesus died and rose again, therefore the faithful dead will too (v14)
- c. Paul tells us four details concerning this reunion (v15-18)
 1. It's in the _____ (Matt 24:29-31; Acts 1:9-11)
 2. The dead come _____ Jesus (v16; v14)
 3. Then the living will _____ the risen dead and Jesus (v17; 1 Cor 15:51-53; 1 John 3:2)
 4. All believers will be with the Lord _____ (Matt 28:20)

II. You know the day is coming, so stay alert and prepared (5:1-11)

- a. Applying what we know and believe can be _____ (v1)
- b. The _____ of Jesus' return impacts how we live (v2-3)
- c. Christians live in _____ of that great Day (v4-11)