

Prayer Concerns:

## The Coming of the Lord

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 [Page 1840]

*Because Jesus is coming back, Christians...*

1. Grieve with \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ [13]

2. Rejoice that death is \_\_\_\_\_ [13-14]

*“Yes, we are fully confident, and we would rather be away from these earthly bodies, for then we will be at home with the Lord.” [2 Corinthians 5:8 ESV]*

3. Await our \_\_\_\_\_ [15-16]

4. Long to be with the \_\_\_\_\_ [17]

*“Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God; trust also in me. In my Father’s house are many rooms; if it were not so, I would have told you. I am going there to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am.” [John 14:1-3]*

5. Encourage one another in the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ [18]

## Personal Study/Growth Group Discussion Questions

### *The Bible Recap:*

1. How did the Lord speak to you through Genesis 36 – Exodus 3? What questions or insights would you like to share?

### **Read 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18**

1. What questions have you heard people ask about our future after we die? How might this passage help you answer some of those questions?
2. What comfort is there in this passage for those who grieve?
3. Why does looking forward to the second coming help us with the anxieties of each day?

4. How would the Thessalonians have felt if they had remained ignorant of the Christian's resurrection and of Christ's return?

5. There are many details about Jesus' second coming that the Bible does not tell us. What details are revealed here?

6. Paul says there is great hope for those who are still living when Christ returns. What is that hope?

### **Taking it Home:**

1. Are you filled with hope knowing that Jesus is coming back, or are you anxious about life after death? Ask the Lord to give you a peace that passes understanding.