

# Lack of Understanding & Hope

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# I Thessalonians 4:13-18 (ESV)

But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope.  
<sup>14</sup> For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep.

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**15 For this we declare to you by a word from the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep. 16 For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel,**

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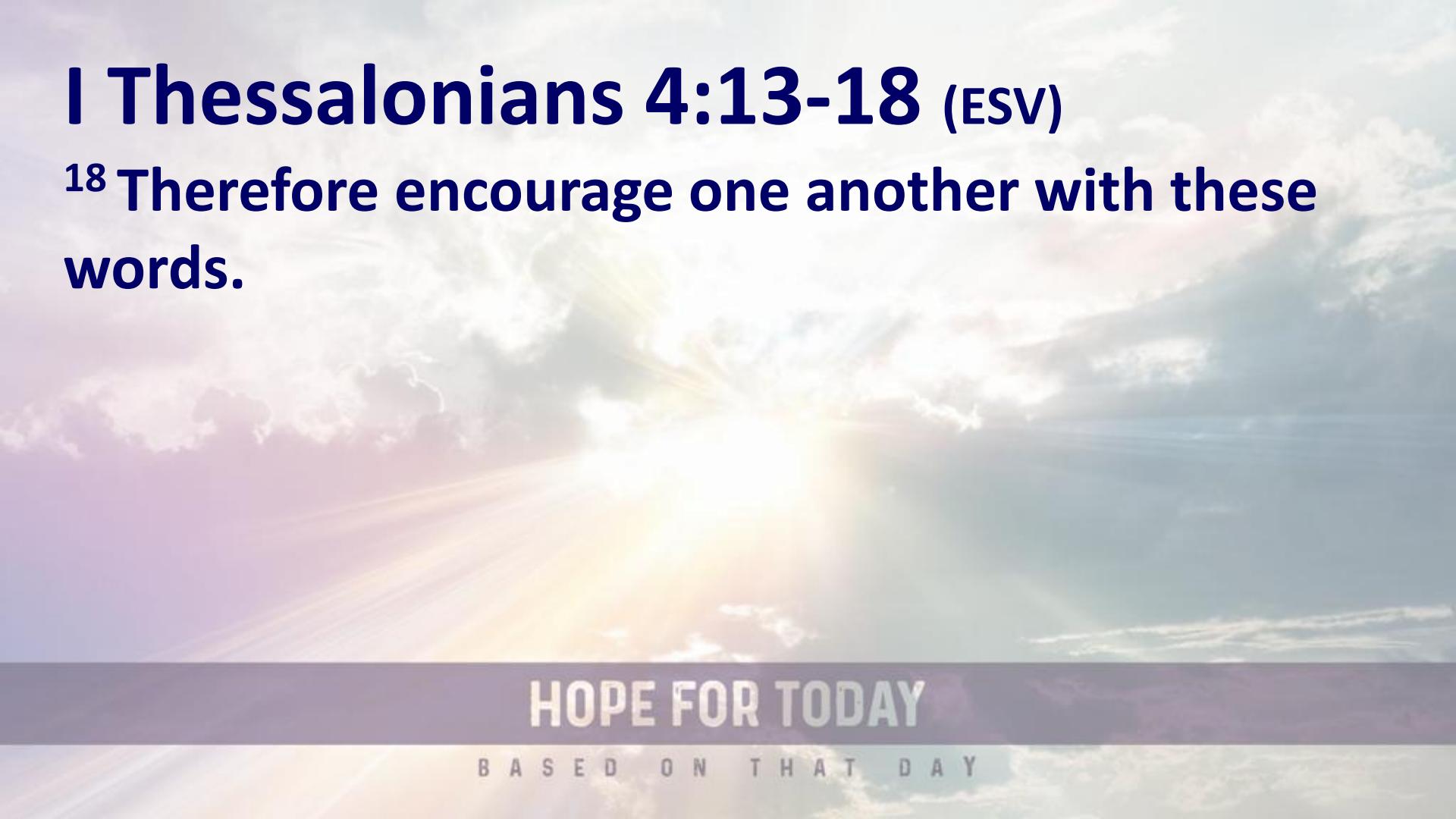
and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. <sup>17</sup> Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord.

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# What's Going On?

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# **John 7:33-34 (ESV)**

**Jesus then said, “I will be with you a little longer, and then I am going to him who sent me. <sup>34</sup> You will seek me and you will not find me. Where I am you cannot come.”**

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# John 14:1-3 (ESV)

“Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. <sup>2</sup> In my Father's house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? <sup>3</sup> And if I go and prepare a place for you,

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# **John 14:1-3 (ESV)**

**I will come again and will take you to myself,  
that where I am you may be also.**

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# **II Thessalonians 2:1-3 (ESV)**

**Now concerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we ask you, brothers,<sup>2</sup> not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by a spirit or a spoken word, or a letter seeming to be from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord has come.**

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# **II Thessalonians 2:1-3 (ESV)**

**³ Let no one deceive you in any way. For that day will not come, unless the rebellion comes first, and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the son of destruction,**

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I Thessalonians 1:3

I Thessalonians 1:9-10

I Thessalonians 2:19-20

I Thessalonians 3:11-13

I Thessalonians 4:9

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# What's It Mean?

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**Disagreement over pre and post tribulation shouldn't threaten our fellowship. It shouldn't be divisive.**

**The things on which we agree are so stupendous as to overwhelm our hearts in common love for the Lord and**

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his appearing. Let us not make the second coming a center of controversy, but a cause for worship and earnest hope and liberating confidence for the ministry before us.

– John Piper

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# **II Corinthians 5:6-9 (ESV)**

**So we are always of good courage. We know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord,<sup>7</sup> for we walk by faith, not by sight.<sup>8</sup> Yes, we are of good courage, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord.**

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# **II Corinthians 5:6-9 (ESV)**

**9 So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him.**

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# **Philippians 1:21-23 (ESV)**

**For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. <sup>22</sup> If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me. Yet which I shall choose I cannot tell. <sup>23</sup> I am hard pressed between the two. My desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better.**

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# **Philippians 3:20-21 (ESV)**

**But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ,<sup>21</sup> who will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself.**

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# How Do We Respond?

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**The certainty of Christ's return  
compels us to live our lives in hope**

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# **II Corinthians 4:14 (ESV)**

**knowing that he who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and bring us with you into his presence.**

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# Romans 15:4 (ESV)

For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that through endurance and through the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope.

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# **Psalm 19:7-8 (ESV)**

**The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul;  
the testimony of the LORD is sure, making  
wise the simple; <sup>8</sup>the precepts of the LORD are  
right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of  
the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes;**

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# **John 15:11 (ESV)**

**These things I have spoken to you, that my joy  
may be in you, and that your joy may be full.**

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