Week 6 – Waiting for the Son: 1 Thessalonians Series

Sermon-based Growth Group Questions

Introductory Discussion:

What was "the takeaway" (the most important point) from Sunday's sermon and/or the sermon text, in your opinion?

What insight from Sunday's sermon did you find most helpful, or eye-opening, or troubling (pick any or all of the above)?

Read 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Discussion:

1. Who was the first member of your family that you remember dying? What affect did that person's death have on you?

2. How would the Thessalonians have felt if they had remained ignorant of the Christians resurrection and of Christ's return? How would Paul's words here encourage the believers who had lost loved ones and who were presently suffering?

3. How does this passage help you deal with the fear of death?

4. Whether grieving or not, how will the pending return of Jesus function (or practically work) to bring you hope and comfort this month?

5. How does knowing your future with certainly- you will be with Jesus and with His people forever- give perspective to your past, current, and/or future afflictions? To your past, current, and/or future joys?

6. In what intentional ways and in what specific area(s) of life can we be encouraging one another with the certain hope that "we will always be with the Lord"?

Prayer: Take time to pray together as a group.