



Title | Good Grief
Series | Living Like He's Coming
Text | 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
By | Bob Kerrey
Date | March 31, 2024

Sermon Notes

1 Thessalonians 4:13 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. **14** For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep. **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, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. **17** 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. **18** Therefore encourage one another with these words. *ESV*

Big Idea:

Text questions during the sermon: 623-850-8809

1 Thessalonians 4:14 For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep. *ESV*

For Reflection and Application:

Monday:

Some researchers have described America as experiencing a crisis of hopelessness today. Would you agree? If so, why do you think this is so?

Tuesday:

Read 1 Thessalonians 4:13. According to this verse, what is the difference in grieving between believers and unbelievers?

Wednesday:

Read 1 Thessalonians 4:14-15. What points is Paul making in these verses, and why would this be an encouragement to the Thessalonian believers who were grieving?

Thursday:

Read 1 Thessalonians 4:16-17. From these verses, list the sequence of events Paul describes. How do you feel about these events?

Friday:

Read 1 Thessalonians 4:18. How would you summarize “these words.” How are they an encouragement to you? How might you encourage others with these words?

Daily Prayer:

Lord, thank you for dying for me and rising again that I may have the hope of rising also to be with you. Amen.

If you would like to have the daily reflection and application emailed to you, scan the QR code or email info@moonvalleybible.org.

