

Specific Questions: Text: 1Thessalonians 4:13-18

1. What is the difference between the Rapture and Resurrection?
2. Think of the following circumstances:
political turmoil, health crisis, betrayal by a friend, death of a loved one.
Which one makes you most long for comfort? why?
3. The events and sequence of the end times are presented in different places in Scripture (among them: Daniel; Matt 24; 1Thess 4, 5; Rev 16-18; Rev 19-20; Rev 21-22; 2Pet 3; 2Cor 5). What are some reasons God would present these prophecies this way, rather than in a cohesive, chronological order?
4. Do you have a “bucket list?” What’s on it? Read Philippians 1:21-26, 3:7-11. What were Paul’s priorities? Do you share them?
5. How does 1Thess 4:13-18 shape your thinking about loved ones who have died?
6. How does the promise of resurrection (or the Rapture) affect the way you live today?

GENERAL QUESTIONS:

1. What new concept did you learn from this week’s text?
2. Is there anything in the text that you don’t understand?
3. How does this text challenge you to change? Is there anything standing in your way of making that change?