



A Journey to the Greek city of Thessalonica

Following in the
Footsteps of Paul

"After that, we who are still alive and are left
will be caught up together with them in the clouds
to meet the Lord in the air.
And so we will be with the Lord forever."
~ 1 Thessalonians 4:17

1 Thessalonians Ch. 3 & 4: "Timothy's Positive Report" & "Order of the Rapture"

Opening Prayer

Dear Heavenly Father,
Thank you for bringing us together in your name.
Bless our time together as we seek to be more like the image of Christ.
We know that your word is trustworthy and true. Open our hearts and minds to the wisdom of your word.
Let your truth guide our thoughts, words and actions daily so that we can share it with those we encounter.
We ask these things in the matchless name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.
Amen.

Study Guide Group Questions: 1 Thessalonians 3 & 4

- 1) What aspect of the Christian journey is Paul describing in the first half of verse 13, chapter 3?
- 2) Who are the holy ones returning with Christ that Paul mentions in the second half of verse 13, chapter 3?

3) In Ch. 4 verse 11, Paul tells the Thessalonians that they should mind their own business. Offer some examples as to what actions Paul is trying to get them to avoid.

4) Between the living and those who have fallen asleep, what will be the order of the rapture when Christ comes for His church?

5) Will Christ come to earth when He returns to gather His church to himself?

6) What is the meaning of the phrase "caught up" in chapter 4 verse 17?

7) At the time of the church being "caught up" to be with Christ, is this what the Bible teaches as Christ's second coming?

Closing Prayer

May the LORD bless us and keep us.

May the LORD make His face shine upon us and be gracious to us.

May the LORD lift up His countenance towards us and give us His peace,

The kind of peace that can only come from the Prince of Peace,

Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Amen.