

“Jesus Will Return”

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

I. Introduction – John 14:1-3; Acts 1:10-11; John 11:11-13;
2 Corinthians 5:8; Luke 23:43; Ephesians 2:12

- A. “Sleep” is Paul’s word for believers who have _____
- B. When believers die, they go immediately to _____

II. Justification for Jesus’ Return – 2 Cor. 5:21; 1 Peter 2:24; Rom. 4:25

- A. Jesus’ _____
 - * Jesus’ death paid in full for believers’ _____
- B. Jesus’ _____
 - * This _____ that the Father accepted Jesus’ sacrifice
- C. God’s _____

III. The Participants – Matthew 24:36; 25:1-13

- A. Believers who are _____
- B. Believers who have _____

IV. The Plan – Heb. 1:3-4; John 11:43; 1 John 3:1-3;
1 Cor. 15:51-54; Matt 17:1-5; 1 Cor. 13:12; Titus 2:13

- A. Step 1: Jesus Himself will _____ for His church
- B. Step 2: He will come down from _____
- C. Step 3: He will come with a _____
- D. Step 4: He will come with the voice of the _____
- E. Step 5: He will come with the _____ call of God.
- F. Step 6: The dead in Christ will rise _____
- G. Step 7: The believers will meet them in the _____
- H. Step 8: Believers will be with the Lord _____

V. Conclusion – Hebrews 9:27; Matthew 25:1-13