### Sons of Day 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11



### Does Christ's future return affect me now?

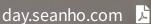
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#### Growing Together, While Apart

- 1 Impact of Faith
- 2a,b Toil of Love
- 3 Accountability with Hope
- 4 Growing in Purity + Love
- 5a Hope of Salvation
- **5b** Acts of **Faith**







#### (outline)

- 1. What Is **Coming** [4:13-5:3]
- 2. Who We Are in Christ [5:4-5,9]
- 3. How We Should Prepare [5:6-8]



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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.

1 Thesssalonians 4:13 (ESV)

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.

For you yourselves are fully aware that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night.

1 Thesssalonians 5:2 (ESV)



They will say, "Where is the promise of his coming?

For ever since the fathers fell asleep, all things are continuing as they were from the beginning of creation."

2 Peter 3:4 (ESV)

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While people are saying, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and they will not escape.

1 Thesssalonians 5:3 (ESV)



## Does Christ's return feel real to me?

(outline)





But you are not in darkness, brothers, for that day to surprise you like a thief: 5 For you are all children of light, children of the day.

1 Thesssalonians 5:4-5a (ESV)



#### For God has not destined us for wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ

1 Thesssalonians 5:9 (ESV)





# Do I sometimes feel like an impostor?

(outline)





We are not of the night or of the darkness:

6 So then let us not sleep, as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober.

1 Thesssalonians 5:5b-6 (ESV)





I ... urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called

Ephesians 4:1 (ESV)



For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk, are drunk at night:

8 But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, having put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation:

1 Thesssalonians 5:7-8 (ESV)





For God has not destined us for wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, 10 who died for us so that whether we are awake or asleep

we might live with him.

1 Thesssalonians 5:9-10 (ESV)



