

Be Encouraged! The Rapture Is Coming

May 15, 2016 Pastor Ed Scearce 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

I. The grave is not the end for the believer.

A. Hope replaces mourning! v. 13B. Christ has conquered death! v. 14

II. Christ is coming to gather His own.

A. Christ will descend from heaven.
B. The dead in Christ will rise.
V. 16
C. The believer will be "caught up"
V. 17

III. Christians ought to encourage one another.

A. Encourage because there is going to be a reunion. v.17

B. Encouraged because we will be with the Lord together forever. v.17

Key Thought: Whether we Christians live or die, we have nothing to fear because Jesus will come either with us or for us!

