

## 1 Thessalonians: Hope in Grief

**Text:** I Thessalonians 4:13-18

**Purpose:** *Because of God's future Kingdom, we can be encouraged and give encouragement to others today.*

**Opening Question:** *When you think about heaven what do you look forward to the most?*

**Read and Discuss:** I Thessalonians 4:13-18

1. *Why do you think Paul starts out talking about grief? What's most difficult about grieving? How do people grieve?*
2. *How well do we grieve cultural issues like racism today? What does that look like?*
3. *What do you think vs. 14-15 will look like?*
4. *Because there is a future reunion with Jesus, what encouragement does that give you for today?*
5. *With the future promise of God's kingdom coming, how can you be an encouragement to others around you?*