JUDGMENT DAY

Text: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11 March 1, 2015

INTRODUCTION

- We must be completely resigned to do the will of God.
- In 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11 Paul furnishes us with 3 motivations to be relentless in living out our faith.
- **I.** God's judgment will come swiftly. (vs. 1-3)
 - A) A Solemn Warning. (vs. 1-2)
 - **B)** An indifferent response. (vs. 3a)
 - C) A sobering result. (vs. 3b)
- II. God's children are not to be caught off guard. (vs. 4-8)
 - **A)** By walking in Light. (vs. 4-5)
 - **B)** By living in purpose. (vs. 6-8)
- **III.** God's deliverance is our confidence. (vs. 9-11)
 - **A)** Delivered from wrath. (vs. 9a)
 - **B)** Delivered from sin. (vs. 9b-10)
 - C) Delivered from discouragement. (vs. 11)

CONCLUSION

- Therefore let us be unified not divided.
- Therefore let us make full use of our allotted time.
- Therefore trusting in God's security, let us take risks.
- . Even Christ Himself said he didn't know that day or hour. Yet, everybody keeps making these predictions about when it will be as if they had some special revelation from God. Folks, if God didn't give it to Jesus, then He ain't going to give it to you. So if you think you know when Christ is coming back, let me give you a piece of advice. Keep it to yourself. Because you don't know when it's going to happen.
 - **A)**Did Paul expect the second coming in His lifetime?
 - 1) Gospels were written after Paul's letters were written
 - **B)** You don't want to be there when the second coming occurs.
 - **C**) It will only be the experience of 1 generation of Christians, but it is the hope of every generation of Christians.
 - **D)** the SC is meant to be an impetus for godliness, but we have made it a point to argue over.
 - **II.** Sleep is a euphemism for death

III. Do you know what Paul is saying? Elders, deacons, Bible teachers and members, listen to what the inspired Paul is saying here! An uneducated church that is not clear about the vital doctrines of God is on the same level as the pagans, out there in the world. Wow...

IV. When do we get our new Bodies