

# 1 Thessalonians

## Chapter 4

### Verse 15

1. Paul assures them “*by the word of the Lord*” that those loved ones who have died in Christ will have a part in the rapture.
2. In fact, their resurrected bodies are going up \_\_\_\_\_ those that are still alive.
  - The word “*prevent*” simply means “\_\_\_\_\_.”
  - The end of verse 16 confirms this by saying, “...*the dead in Christ shall rise first.*”

### Verse 16

Paul describes Jesus’ coming in three ways:

1. “*With a \_\_\_\_\_*”
  - This word “shout” means “a cry of incitement.” It refers to moving somebody to action.
2. “*With the \_\_\_\_\_ of the archangel*”
  - Christ’s voice will be majestic and full of authority.
3. “*With the \_\_\_\_\_ of God*”
  - When Christ speaks, it sounds like a trumpet. Revelation 1:10-11

### Verse 17

1. Paul dealt with the dead in Christ in verse 16, but now he turns his attention to those who are \_\_\_\_\_ at Christ’s return.
2. What will happen to those which are alive? They will be “*caught up.*”
3. Paul says that when the rapture occurs, “...*and so shall we ever be with the Lord.*”

## Verse 18

1. He starts out with the word "*Wherefore...*" In other words, "Based on what I just taught you in the previous five verses about the rapture, \_\_\_\_\_ one another."
2. The reality of the rapture is a blessed \_\_\_\_\_.
  - "*Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ.*" **Titus 2:13**

# BASIC TIMELINE

