

1 Thessalonians

Chapter 5

Verse 4-5

1. As members of the body of Christ living in this day of _____, we are waiting to be caught up in the air with Jesus Christ. 4:13-18
2. After we are gone, there will be a temporary _____, but then sudden destruction will come upon “*them*” (Israel and the nations).
3. Paul calls this time of travail “*the day of the Lord.*” Paul declares, “***they shall not escape.***”
4. But then verse 4 begins, “*But ye, brethren...*” Israel and the nations of the earth shall _____ escape, but we (the church) will.
5. Christ (Who is our light) will _____ us from this time of darkness.
6. We are children of _____ and children of the _____. cf. Ephesians 5:8

Verse 6

1. Based on our identity in Christ as children of light, Paul exhorts them, “*Therefore let us not sleep, as do others; but let us watch and be sober.*”
2. Paul basically said, “Don’t let this _____ system lull you to sleep. Jesus is coming back for His body and we don’t know when.”
 - “Watch” simply means to be _____.
 - “Sober” means that you are able to _____ clearly and you are prepared and ready.

Verse 7-8

1. We see in verse 7 that sleeping and sin are things that predominantly take place at night in the darkness.
2. Instead of sleeping and sinning, we should be watching and _____.
Why? We are of the _____. vs. 8

3. The Day of the Lord will be the _____ time period this world has ever known. The Old Testament prophets associated **darkness** with this time period just as Paul does. Isaiah 5:30, 60:2; Joel 2:2; Amos 5:18, 20
 - *“Putting on the breastplate of faith and love”* – This protects our _____.
4. What does the helmet do? It protects our _____.

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DISPENSATION
OF GRACE

CHURCH AGE

RAPTURE OF THE
BODY OF CHRIST

THE DAY OF THE LORD

3 1/2 YEARS

BEGINNING
OF SORROWS

3 1/2 YEARS

GREAT
TRIBULATION

SECOND COMING
OF CHRIST
TO EARTH

CHRIST'S
KINGDOM
ON EARTH

DANIEL'S 70TH WEEK OF YEARS

THE CHURCH DELIVERED

ISRAEL DELIVERED