

# WHEN HOPE IS REALIZED

March 11, 2018

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

I. Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ my eyes to hope. – Be Ready! – v. 1-4

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Are you a child of light or a child of darkness? What proof do you have for your answer?  
What are some areas in your life where you need to be more “awake” and “sober”?

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### 3. APPLY THE TRUTH

God’s desire is for us to trust in Jesus to save us from sin, be ready for His coming by securing our place with Him in eternity, and walk as children of light on this earth – in that order. Where are you at in that process? What will you do this week to make forward progress in this process of your spiritual life?

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### 4. COMMIT THIS WEEK

Who in your life is not ready for the Day of the Lord? Who do you know that has never trusted in Jesus for salvation? Commit this week to pray fervently for their salvation and ask God to give you an opportunity to tell them about salvation in Christ.

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II. Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ my life through hope. – Be Faithful! – v. 5-8



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## SMALL GROUP APPLICATION QUESTIONS

Finding hope in Jesus not only changes this life, but all of eternity - but it must be found this side of death. Have you responded to the hope of Jesus yet?

III. Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ a solution of hope. – Believe! – v. 9-11

### 1. REVIEW THE SERMON

Read 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11. What is the “Day of the Lord” and how does Paul describe it? What do you think Paul is hoping to achieve by communicating this information to the Thessalonians and to us?

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Paul draws a contrast between Children of Light and Children of Darkness. How does he explain this difference? What determines which category a person is in? How does your status as child of light or darkness impact how you relate to the hope of Jesus?

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### 2. ASSESS YOUR LIFE

Paul wanted us to be ready for the Day of the Lord because no one knows when it will come, and no one will be exempt from it. Are you ready for it? How do you know? How should this reality impact how we interact with believers and unbelievers in our lives?

**HOW YOU RESPOND TO JESUS ON \_\_\_\_\_  
DETERMINES HOW JESUS WILL RESPOND  
TO YOU IN \_\_\_\_\_.**

#### **Stewardship Report:**

Last Week: \$5,152.00

This Month: \$5,152.00

Last Month: \$14,415.00

Monthly Budget: \$15,070.00



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