

“THINGS THAT LIE AHEAD”
(1 Thessalonians 4:13-18) Pt.5

Review:

- Christ came for 3 purposes:
- What is a *mystery* in the bible?
- In his writings to the church, Paul mentions a Greek word that tells his readers to look _____ and to _____!

“*eagerly wait*” (apekdecomai) =

- What is the Rapture?

1 Corinthians 15:51-52

John 14:1-3

I. HIS PERSONAL AND HISTORICAL HISTORY WITH THE CHURCH (1:2-3:13)

II. HIS PRACTICAL AND INSTRUCTIVE EXHORTATIONS TO THE CHURCH (4:1-5:24)

A. Exhortations concerning _____ of the Church. (4:13-18)

1. Paul’s INTRODUCTION concerning these INSTRUCTIONS. (4:13)

a. The recipients of these instructions are _____ “*brethren*”.

* Why is it significant for us to note this?

b. The initial intent in these instructions is to eliminate their _____ and put them in the _____ through biblical instruction... “*I do not want you to be ignorant...*”

“ignorant” (agnoeo)

c. The **issue** in these instructions concerns “*those who have* _____”
and Jesus Christ’s _____.

* Who does the term “*fallen asleep*” refer to?

* Why is this term being used by Paul? (John 12:24)

* It is important to remember that the N.T. word “sleep” applies only to the _____,
—never the _____.

* What is “*soul sleep*”?

d. The **primary purpose** of these instructions was to keep believer’s eyes on the _____ that
the rapture gives, “*lest you _____ as _____ who have*
_____.”

* What does it mean to “*sorrow*”?

* Why do some sorrow with no hope? (Ephesians 2:11-ff)

* For the Christian, what does “*hope*” mean?