

Hope To The End of Time: Facilitator Guide

Week 4: 1 Thessalonians 4:1-12, Life is Short, Live for God!

Before you meet: Send out a reminder and encouragement to your 'Ohana Group about attending group. Remind to attend one of the in-person services Fridays at 6:30pm, Sundays at 8:30am or Online Sunday mornings.

Be Prepared: Test out the video from the 'Ohana Group Webpage by playing it and making sure it is working well prior to meeting. Print out any of the resources you need for the night (discussion questions and facilitator guide). Read through the questions ahead of time. Videos and Material found at hopechapelmaui.com click on 'Ohana Groups.

Suggested Format:

- Welcome/Fellowship
- Pray
- Watch Video (video 10-20 min)
- Discussion Questions (30-40 min)
- Prayer Requests and Praises (10-20min)

Leader Guide:

Please encourage your 'Ohana to be diligent in reading through 1 Thessalonians throughout the week to study more in-depth this book of the Bible.

As you use this discussion guide, feel free to use as many questions or as little question as you need to facilitate your 'Ohana Group.

Discussion Guide:

-Read 1 Thessalonians 4:1-12, out loud together.

-PLAY VIDEO

'Ohana Group Study Questions

(Hope To The End Of Time Week 4: Life is Short, Live for God!)

1. In the message from this weekend or the video, what encouraged you, challenged you or spoke to you most and why? What applications for your life did you learn?

2. From reading, 1 Thessalonians 4:1-12, this week, what encouraged you, challenged you or spoke to you most and why?

A Deeper Look

3. Paul, twice in this passage tells the Thessalonians that they are “walking well” in their faith (v.1 & 9) and yet exhorts them to excel even more. Why would Paul feel it necessary to do so? Share about your personal growth/sanctification process.

4. How does rejecting the call to purity (v.8) equate to rejecting God?

TAKING IT HOME

5. Does your daily life reflect that you live for God alone? In what ways does the brevity of your life on earth motivate you to live a life that is pleasing to God alone?

6. In Ben’s message, he mentioned four issues that are rampant in our culture today:

- individuality,
- sexual immorality,
- indifference,
- lack of personal responsibility.

We are to walk and live with Jesus as our Master/Lord, to live for God in all areas of life. What needs to change in these areas of your life so they are fully submitted to God’s will?

7. Read 1 Thessalonians 4:9-12. The early church was known for personal purity and brotherly love. Paul says they are loving well, but to love more and more! Ben said in the message, “The longer you have been a Christian, the more loving you are meant to become”. Is this true of your life? How can you grow in brotherly love towards those around you?

HOMEWORK

Continue to read 1 Thessalonians this week and spend some time studying 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18.

PRAYER REQUESTS & PRAISES
