EXEMPLARY FAITH FOR IMMINENT RAPTURE – 1 Thessalonians 4

2 Thessalonians 1:3; John 7:37–38

There is no such thing as _____ faith! Genuine faith _____ "more and more!"

Paul gives instructions for Christians walk:

1. Walk in _____! – V. 1-8

Paul reminds us that it is God's will …

1) To be _____!

The word **"sanctification" means** "_____ _____ for a purpose!"

2) To _____ sexual immorality!

Our bodies are the _____ of the Holy Spirit! – **1 Corinthians 6:19–20**

Sexual sins are most _____ to the soul and conscious! – **1 Corinthians 6:18; Proverbs 6:32; 1 Peter 2:11**

3) To learn to _____ your own body!

2. Walk in _____! – V. 9-10; John 13:35

Genuine love for the brethren is the _____ of the believer!

3. Walk in _____! – V. 11-12

Hebrews 13:5 Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have, because God has said, "Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you."

2 Thessalonians 3:10 For even when we were with you, we gave you this rule: "If a man will not work, he shall not eat."

4. Walk in _____! – V. 13-18

1) We don't grieve like those who have _____ _____!

2) The dead in Christ will _____ us in the air!

3) At the appointed time, Jesus is coming down from heaven, with a loud command, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet call of God to bring _____ _____!

God's silence is God's _____!

"He has spoke once in grace by sending His Son to this planet. And they murdered Him. He sent His Spirit, and the world ignores Him. The next time, He will speak in wrath. The whole creation today is holding its breath, waiting for the shout. Jesus is waiting for the moment when He can descend the stellar spaces, burst through the clouds of the sky, and give that shout." **– John Phillips**

Romans 8:19–22

Philippians 3:20–21 But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ, [21] who, by the power that enables him to bring everything under his control, will transform our lowly bodies so that they will be like his glorious body.