



I THESSALONIANS

Part Forty-Five: “Excellence in Understanding Security, Part 1”

I Thessalonians 4:13 *But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope.*

Overview of I Thessalonians 4:13-18:

1. Hope through Understanding. 13.
2. Assurance regarding Loved Ones. 14-15.
3. Details of the Rapture. 16-17.
4. Comfort for the Grieving. 18.

Hope through Understanding

→ *Christian hope is not a dark perhaps, but a sunlit certainty; it is not a vague guess, but a glad assurance.* W. GRAHAM SCROGGIE

1. God’s people should not be content to not know what God wants us to know. *But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren*
2. God wants us to know that our saved loved ones who have died are safe with Him. *concerning them which are asleep*
3. Ignorance towards God breeds sorrow. *that ye sorrow not*
4. People with hope do not grieve like people without hope. *even as others which have no hope*

It is to prayer that God has given the right to take hold of Him and His strength. ANDREW MURRAY