

# Turning the World Upside Down

## HELPFUL SCRIPTURES

## SERMON NOTES

1 Thessalonians 4:9-12

### I. “Four Facts about the 2<sup>nd</sup> Coming of Jesus, (1 Thessalonians 4:13-18)

#### A. Fact #1 – What will Happen is Not a Mystery, (v. 13)

1. (v. 13), *“But we do not want you to be uninformed, brethren, about those who are asleep....”*
  - a. Without this teaching we would have no clue about the dead, now or in the future!

James 2:26

Romans 6:23

Ephesians 2:!

John 11:11, 14

John 11:26

Acts 7:60

#### B. Fact #2 – Those “Asleep” Will Return with Jesus, (14-15)

1. (v. 14), *“For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so God will bring with Him those....”*
  - a. Many believe the dead are now in Hades awaiting their judgment. This is not so!

1 Thessalonians 3:13

Ephesians 4:8

Revelation 20:13-14

- b. That was for those who died before His ascension. But what about now when people die . . . ?!

Hebrews 9:27

2 Corinthians 5:10

2. (v. 15), *“For this we say to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive and remain....”*

1 Thessalonians 3:13

**C. Fact #3 – What Happens When Jesus Returns, (v. 16)**

1. (v. 16), “*For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout....*”
  - a. Many religious people believe when Jesus returns, only a few will know it.

John 11:43

2 Thessalonians 1:7-8

Matthew 13:41-42

Exodus 19:16, 19

- b. “... *the dead in Christ shall rise first.*” You may be thinking, ‘I thought the dead were w/Jesus?’

James 2:26

John 5:28-29

1 Corinthians 15:42-44

1 Corinthians 15:51-53

1 John 3:2

**D. Fact #4 – All Believers Shall be Reunited, (vs. 17-18)**

**CONCLUSIONS:**

**Meadows:** (v. 18)

**Guests:**

2 Thessalonians 1:7-8

Mark 1:1; 16:15-16

Romans 6:4

1 Peter 3:21