

The Book of 1 Thessalonians

“Life in Christ
until HE Returns”

1 Thessalonians 5: 1-11

**“Deliverance from the
Day of the LORD”**



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The “Day of the LORD”

Broad Day of the LORD

Tribulation
Judgment

Darkness

Narrow Day of the LORD
(Great and Terrible)

Millennial Blessing

Light

7 years

24 Hours

1000 Years

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Joel 2:1–11 (NKJV)

1 Blow the trumpet in Zion, And sound an alarm in My holy mountain! Let all the inhabitants of the land tremble; For the day of the LORD is coming, For it is at hand: 2 A day of darkness and gloominess, A day of clouds and thick darkness, Like the morning clouds spread over the mountains. A people come, great and strong, The like of whom has never been; Nor will there ever be any such after them, Even for many successive generations. 3 A fire devours before them, And behind them a flame burns; The land is like the Garden of Eden before them, And behind them a desolate wilderness; Surely nothing shall escape them. 4 Their appearance is like the appearance of horses; And like swift steeds, so they run. 5 With a noise like chariots Over mountaintops they leap, Like the noise of a flaming fire that devours the stubble, Like a strong people set in battle array. 6 Before them the people writhe in pain; All faces are drained of color. 7 They run like mighty men, They climb the wall like men of war; Every one marches in formation, And they do not break ranks. 8 They do not push one another; Every one marches in his own column. Though they lunge between the weapons, They are not cut down. 9 They run to and fro in the city, They run on the wall; They climb into the houses, They enter at the windows like a thief. 10 The earth quakes before them, The heavens tremble; The sun and moon grow dark, And the stars diminish their brightness. 11 The LORD gives voice before His army, For His camp is very great; For strong is the One who executes His word. For the day of the LORD is great and very terrible; Who can endure it?

1 Thessalonians 1:10 (NKJV)

10 and to wait for His Son from heaven, whom He raised from the dead, even Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come.



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Observations:



- 1- It is important to know.
- 2- It concerns believers that die before Christ returns
- 3- It is THE hope of ALL believers
- 4- It is related to the gospel
- 5- It is the guarantee of future resurrection
- 6- A generation of believers will not die
- 7- Jesus Himself will initiate the rapture
- 8 – The Dead in Christ are resurrected 1st
- 9- The living believers are given resurrected bodies
- 10- The place we are “caught up” to is in the air with Christ
- 11- At that moment we will never be separated from Jesus
- 12- This truth is a comfort

Summary:



- The Day of the LORD is coming
- The Day of the LORD is a time of wrath
- Believers will be delivered
- Believers should not live like unbelievers

Application:



- Do you understand what the DotL is?
- Are you “in Christ”?
- How should this change your living in Christ?
- Are you waiting for the LORD?

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