

GraceWay Church Groups Discussion Guide July 20 - 26, 2025

"Wk 4: The Final Hour"

Open It

1. If you could have a conversation with anyone from the Bible besides Jesus, who would it be and what would you ask them?

Read It (1 Thess. 4:13-18)

- 2. How should what we know about Jesus give us hope regarding those believers who have died? (vs. 14)
- 3. In *vs. 15-17*, identify and describe the order of events that will take place during *the rapture*. In *vs. 16-17*, who are the 2 specific people groups mentioned?
- 4. What signs will accompany this event? What do all three of these things have in common? (vs. 16)

Get It

- 5. The Trumpet Will Sound: Trumpets in the Bible were used to gather people and/or announce victory (*Num. 10:2 & Rev. 11:15*). How does that meaning help you understand the event of the rapture? How would your priorities shift if you lived every day expecting to hear the trumpet?
- 6. **Don't Be Caught Off Guard**: Read *Mt. 25:1-13*. What does the oil represent in this parable? Why is it so important to make sure you have enough oil in your lamp? What will happen if you don't?
- 7. Pastor D talked about the use of your spiritual gifts. What spiritual gifts do you believe God has given you, and how are you using them for His kingdom? If you've not yet discovered your spiritual gifts, discover them now at *spiritualgiftstest.com* and email your results to <u>office@graceway365.com</u>
- 8. Live With Purpose Until He Returns: (Read *Luke 19:13*) What "pounds of silver" (time, talents, opportunities, resources, relationships) has God entrusted to you? How are you currently "investing" these for His Kingdom? Why do you think the master expected the servants to work with what he gave them instead of just holding on to it?
- 9. If you knew with certainty that Jesus would return tomorrow, what would change about how you live today? What does that reveal about adjustments you might need to make in your priorities?

Apply It

- 10. This week, live out Pastor D's challenge: 1. *Live* (in holiness) What you read, watch, listen to, places you go, etc. 2. *Love* (with compassion) your friends, co-workers, family, neighbors, etc. 3. *Labor* (with urgency) It's not the time to sleep, drift, or hide.
- 11. How can we pray for you this week?