

## "THE CHRISTIAN'S COMFORT: THE RAPTURE!"

(1 Thessalonians 4:18)

### I. PERSONAL AND HISTORICAL EXPLANATIONS (1:2-3:13)

### II. PRACTICAL AND INSTRUCTIVE EXHORTATIONS. (4:1-5:24)

#### A. Exhortations about GENERAL CONDUCT. (4:1-2)

#### B. Exhortations about SEXUAL PURITY. (4:3-8)

#### C. Exhortations about BROTHERLY LOVE and an ORDERLY LIFE. (4:9-12)

#### D. Exhortations about the BLESSED HOPE. (4:13-18)

##### 1. The INTRODUCTION to these INSTRUCTIONS. (4:13)

##### 2. The CONTENT of these INSTRUCTIONS. (4:14-17)

##### 3. The APPLICATION of these INSTRUCTIONS. (4:18)

###### a. Paul's COMMAND

1) The *recipients* of this application are \_\_\_\_\_ believers as need requires and opportunity affords.

2) The *command* of this application is to “\_\_\_\_\_”

3) The *objects* of this application are “\_\_\_\_\_”

4) The *means* of fulfilling this application is “\_\_\_\_\_.”

###### b. Your APPLICATION

1) To the *believer in Christ*?

2) To the *unbeliever in his/her sins*?

# **"BEHOLD, THE BRIDEGROOM COMES!"**

(John 14:1-3)

## **I. THE JEWISH MARRIAGE ANALOGY (John 14:1-3)**

### **A. Jewish Marriage CUSTOMS in Bible Times**

1. **The Preliminary Arrangements to Legal Betrothal (Shiddukhin)**

2. **The Marriage Contract (Ketubah)**

3. **The Purchase Price for the Bride (Mohar)**

4. **A Bridal Gift (Matan)**

5. **A Period of Separation (Eyrusin)**

6. **The Coming of the Bridegroom**

7. **The Bridal Chamber (Huppah)**

8. **The Marriage Supper**

**\* How does this apply to you?**