**Promises that Never Break**

**When You Need Encouragement**

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

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**1 Thessalonians 5:5 (ESV)**For you are all children of light, children of the day. We are not of the night or of the darkness.

**1 Thessalonians 5:6 (ESV)**So then let us not sleep, as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober.

**1 Thessalonians 5:7 (ESV)**For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk, are drunk at night.

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***The sure return of Jesus Christ provides the ultimate encouragement for believers.***

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**Luke 17:26 (ESV)**Just as it was in the days of Noah, so will it be in the days of the Son of Man.

**Luke 17:27 (ESV)**They were eating and drinking and marrying and being given in marriage, until the day when Noah entered the ark, and the flood came and destroyed them all.

**Luke 17:28 (ESV)**Likewise, just as it was in the days of Lot—they were eating and drinking, buying and selling, planting and building,

**Luke 17:29 (ESV)**but on the day when Lot went out from Sodom, fire and sulfur rained from heaven and destroyed them all—

**Luke 17:30 (ESV)**so will it be on the day when the Son of Man is revealed.

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