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Like a thief in the night

**1 Thessalonians 5:1-11**

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers, you have no need to have anything written to you. <sup>2</sup> For you yourselves are fully aware that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. <sup>3</sup> While people are saying, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and they will not escape. <sup>4</sup> But you are not in darkness, brothers, for that day to surprise you like a thief. <sup>5</sup> For you are all children of light, children of the day. We are not of the night or of the darkness. <sup>6</sup> So then let us not sleep, as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober. <sup>7</sup> For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk, are drunk at night.

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Like a thief in the night

**1 Thessalonians 5:1-11**

<sup>8</sup> But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, having put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. <sup>9</sup> For God has not destined us for wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>10</sup> who died for us so that whether we are awake or asleep we might live with him. <sup>11</sup> Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing.

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Like a thief in the night Stay...

**Stay Prepared for the Day of the Lord!**

- It will come unexpectedly, when leaders say there's nothing to worry about (verses 1-3)
- Be prepared and stay alert and sober (verses 4-7)
- You've got a purpose and a mission!

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Like a thief in the night Stay...

**Stay Spiritually Strong and Encouraged!**

- Protect your heart with faith and love (verse 8)
- Protect your mind with the certainty of salvation
- There's no wrath in your future (verse 9)!
- You'll always be with Jesus (verse 10)!
- Encourage each other (verse 11)

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Like a thief in the night Stay...

**Stay Concerned for Nonbelievers**

- Sudden destruction is coming for those who don't believe in Jesus – without escape (verse 3)!
- How can YOU increase your concern for them?
- How can WE increase our urgent concern for them?

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