Series: WAITING FOR SOMETHING TO HAPPEN

#8: While Waiting, Plan on a Reunion Party in the Sky!

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

This week's world headlines:

Released Gitmo prisoner now Taliban commander
32 killed in homicide bombings in Iraq
Al Qaeda Caves Seized in Pakistan
Quake Aftershocks hit Chile
Obama Demands Vote on Health Care

Waiting for something to happen? Welcome to the world of *Thessalonians*. Young believers, facing intense persecution by Christianity-haters, were excited about getting rescued by the return of Christ. But now some of their friends 'n family had gotten killed. Would they never see them again? Paul explains Rapture Facts to them. What comfort is here, for them and us!

☺ **The Participants in the Rapture** 14, 15

(from heaven's side) ↓ ↓

(from earth's side) ↑ ↑

↓ **The Progress of the Rapture** 16abc

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↑ **The Promise of the Rapture** 16d, 17

1. Re_____, *followed by...*
2. Ra_____, *results in...*
3. Re_____ forever!