

What do we do to prepare?

Below is a checklist to prepare for the trip of rapture provided by Ann Graham Lotz.

1. Abounding in Love

Where does the command to love others come from? **See John 13:34-35 and 1 Thessalonians 4:9.**

What is our motivation to love? **See 1 John 3:23 and 1 John 4:11.**

Who do you know who needs to hear of God's love as expressed in **John 3:16** before you leave?

2. Established in Faith

How is faith established? **See Romans 10:17.**

What do you need to do to make sure your faith is established ... rooted ... grounded? **See Ephesians 3:17-18.**

How critical is our faith as we prepare for the trip? Read **Hebrew 11:5-6; Romans 5:1-2; and 1 Corinthians 15:13-20.**

As life becomes more difficult in the last days before we take our trip, what difference does our faith make? Read **Mathew 7:24-27.**

What do you need to do to obey the commands in **1 Corinthians 16:13.**

3. Confident in Hope

What is our hope? **See Titus 2:13.**

How does Peter describe our hope? **See 1 Peter 1:3-5.**

Who do you know who seems hopeless concerning the future? How can you share your confidence with him or her?

4. Unblamable in Holiness

Holiness is understood from following passages **2 Corinthians 7:1 and 1 Thessalonians 4:3-7.**

How important is it to be found holy when Jesus returns for us?

Read Hebrews 12:14 and 2 Peter 3:11-14.

Is holiness optional? **See 1 Peter 1:15-16 and 1 John 2:28.**

5. Steadfast in Service

As the time for our trip draws near, what two types of servants does Jesus describe in **Matthew 24:45-5.**

Why are some servants not steadfast? Read **2 Peter 3:3-7** and **Matthew 25:5**.

What encouragement do you receive from **1 Corinthians 15:58**?

What is your service for Jesus? How can you serve Him even more as the time for departure draws near?

Conclusion: