

# DEATH

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## WHAT DID ADAM BECOME WHEN HE RECEIVED BREATH?

And the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and *man became a living soul.* *Genesis 2:7*

## HOW MANY RETURN TO THE DUST AT DEATH?

*All go unto one place; all are of the dust, and all turn to dust again.* *Ecclesiastes 3:20*

## WHOSE SPIRIT RETURNS TO GOD AT DEATH?

Then shall *the dust* return to the earth as it was: and *the spirit* shall return unto God who gave it. *Ecclesiastes 12:7*

## WHAT IS ANOTHER WORD FOR SPIRIT?

All the while my *breath* is in me, and the *spirit* of God *is in my nostrils;* *Job 27:3*

## WHAT DOES GOD TAKE THAT TURNS THE BODY TO DUST?

Thou hidest thy face, they are troubled: *thou takest away their breath,* they die, and return to their dust. *Psalms 104:29*

## WHAT AGE-OLD QUESTION DID JOB ASK?

But *man dieth,* and wasteth away: yea, man giveth up the ghost [spirit or breath], *and where is he?* *Job 14:10*

## WHAT IS THE BIBLE ANSWER?

So man lieth down, and *riseth not: till the heavens be no more, they shall not awake, nor be raised out of their sleep.*

O that thou wouldest hide me in the grave, that thou wouldest keep me secret, until thy wrath be past, that *thou wouldest appoint me a set time, and remember me!*

If a man die, shall he live again? *all the days of my appointed time will I wait, till my change come.*

*Thou shalt call, and I will answer thee: thou wilt have a desire to the work of thine hands.* *Job 14:12-15*

## ARE THE DEAD AWARE OF WHAT HAPPENS TO THE LIVING?

His sons come to honour, and he *knoweth it not;* and they are brought low, but he *perceiveth it not* of them. *Job 14:21*

## HOW MUCH DO THE DEAD KNOW?

For the living know that they shall die: but *the dead know not any thing,* neither have they any more a reward; for the memory of them is forgotten.

Also their love, and their hatred, and their envy, is now perished; neither have they any more a portion for ever in any thing that is done under the sun....

Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might; for *there is no work, nor device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom, in the grave, whither thou goest.* *Ecclesiastes 9:5,*

**WHEN ARE WE TO PRAISE THE LORD?**

Praise ye the LORD. Praise the LORD, O my soul.

*While I live will I praise the LORD: I will sing praises unto my God while I have any being.*

Put not your trust in princes, nor in the son of man, in whom there is no help.

*His breath goeth forth, he returneth to his earth; in that very day his thoughts perish.*

*Psalms 146:1-4*

**DO THE DEAD PRAISE THE LORD?**

*The dead praise not the LORD, neither any that go down into silence. Psalm 115:17*

**CAN THE DEAD EVEN REMEMBER GOD?**

*For in death there is no remembrance of thee: in the grave who shall give thee thanks?*

*Psalms 6:5*

**WHAT DID JESUS CALL DEATH?**

These things said he: and after that he saith unto them, Our friend Lazarus sleepeth; but I go, that I may awake him out of *sleep*.

Then said his disciples, Lord, if he sleep, he shall do well.

Howbeit *Jesus spake of his death*: but they thought that he had spoken of taking of rest in sleep.

Then said *Jesus unto them plainly, Lazarus is dead. John 11:11-14*

**HOW LONG WAS LAZARUS DEAD?**

Then when Jesus came, he found that he had lain in the grave *four days* already. *John 11:17*

**DID MARTHA BELIEVE HER BROTHER WAS IN HEAVEN?**

Then Martha, as soon as she heard that Jesus was coming, went and met him: but Mary sat still in the house.

Then said Martha unto Jesus, Lord, if thou hadst been here, my brother had not died. But I know, that even now, whatsoever thou wilt ask of God, God will give it thee.

Jesus saith unto her, Thy brother shall rise again.

Martha saith unto him, *I know that he shall rise again in the resurrection at the last day.*

Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live:

And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. *Believest thou this?*

She saith unto him, Yea, Lord: I believe that thou art the Christ, the Son of God, which should come into the world. *John 11:20-27*

**WHY WAS MARTHA HESITANT TO OPEN THE TOMB?**

Jesus said, Take ye away the stone. Martha, the sister of him that was dead, saith unto him, Lord, *by this time he stinketh: for he hath been dead four days.*

Jesus saith unto her, Said I not unto thee, that, if thou wouldest believe, thou shouldest

see the glory of God? *John 11:39, 40*

#### WAS LAZARUS CALLED BACK FROM HEAVEN OR HELL?

And when he thus had spoken, he cried with a loud voice, *Lazarus, come forth. And he that was dead came forth, bound hand and foot with graveclothes: and his face was bound about with a napkin. Jesus saith unto them, Loose him, and let him go. John 11:43, 44*

NOTE: Jesus did NOT say “come down” (as from heaven), nor did He say “come up” (as from hell), but rather “come forth” from the tomb. If Lazarus had been called back from the glories of heaven what a rotten, unfair thing that would have been, and if called back from an eternally burning hell he would have experienced the best deal ever.

#### WHEN ARE THE DEAD RAISED TO LIFE?

For if the dead rise not, then is not Christ raised:  
And if Christ be not raised, your faith is vain; ye are yet in your sins.  
Then they also which are *fallen asleep* in Christ are perished.  
If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men most miserable.  
But now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the firstfruits of them that slept.  
For since by man came death, by man came also *the resurrection of the dead*.  
For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.  
But every man in his own order: Christ the firstfruits; afterward *they that are Christ's at his coming. 1 Corinthians 15:16-23*

#### WHEN DO WE RECEIVE IMMORTALITY?

Behold, I show you a mystery; *We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.*  
For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and *this mortal must put on immortality*.  
So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory.  
O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory?  
*1 Corinthians 15:51-55*

#### WHEN DO THE RIGHTEOUS DEAD AND LIVING MEET JESUS?

For this we say unto you by *the word of the Lord*, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent [precede] them which are *asleep*.  
For *the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:*  
Then we which are alive and remain shall be *caught up together* with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.  
Wherefore comfort one another with these words. *1 Thessalonians 4:15-18*