

# Sermon Notes

What Should We Think About Death And Dying?

1 Thessalonians 4:13-14

## **But we do not want you to be uninformed**

**Q:** Why don't we talk about death? Should we?

**A:** Yes, we should, because God talks about death.

Our lifetime is merely a \_\_\_\_\_. James 4:14

We should \_\_\_\_\_ our days and live wisely. Psalm 90:12

Jesus is \_\_\_\_\_ the eternal kingdom for believers. John 14:1-3

**Q:** Why must people get sick, suffer, and die?

**A:** It is due to Adam's sin in Eden; the \_\_\_\_\_ of man. Romans 5:12

**A:** \_\_\_\_\_ people will die (except those alive when Jesus returns).

Heb 9:27 It is appointed for men to die once and after this comes judgment.

**A:** The current condition is one of \_\_\_\_\_. Rom 8:22 Eccl 1:2

**Q:** Where is God in suffering and death?

**A:** He joins us in the suffering and death.

Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ death for everyone. Hebrews 2:9

**Q:** What happens at "the moment of death"?

**A:** The living being, the true person, the soul \_\_\_\_\_ from the body.

Matt 27:50 And Jesus cried out again with a loud voice and yielded up his spirit.

**Q:** Where does a person go when they die?

**A:** The body returns to \_\_\_\_\_. Genesis 3:19

**A:** The \_\_\_\_\_ of a Christ follower lives eternally in heaven. Luke 16:19f

**A:** The soul of the wicked lives consciously, eternally in \_\_\_\_\_. Luke 16:19f

Three biblical terms are used to identify hell:

1) Gehenna (12 occurrences) - Matt 5:29-30

2) Tartaros (1 occurrence) - 2 Peter 2:4

3) Hades (9 occurrences) - Luke 16:23

## **That you may not grieve as others do who have no hope.**

**Q:** Should Christians feel sadness when someone dies?

**A:** Yes, death is sad. Eccle 3:4 There is a time to weep...and a time to mourn.

Examples: Gen 23:2, 37:34; Deut 34:8; 1 Sam 25:1; 2 Sam 1:12, 12:15, 13:37; 2 Chronicles 35:24; Job 1:20

**Q:** Should we have endless sadness when someone dies?

**A:** Those who don't know Jesus have nothing but sadness. Ephesians 2:12

**A:** Those who know Jesus have a hope greater than grief. Romans 8:18

**Q:** What should we remember that will give us hope?

**A:** The believer goes to Jesus immediately. Luke 23:43, 2 Cor 5:8, Phil 1:23

**A:** The death of the Christ follower is gain. Phil 1:21-23

**A:** The dying believer is precious in God's sight. Psalm 116:15

**A:** God's exact number of our days is perfect. Psalm 139:16

**A:** God notices and stores up every tear. Psalm 56:8

**A:** God will wipe away all tears and sadness. Revelation 21:4