

INTRODUCTION

(2 Corinthians 4:18) As we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.

What is death?

_____ Death

(Ecclesiastes 12: 7) And the dust returns to the earth as it was, and the spirit returns to God who gave it.

_____ Death

(Ephesians 2: 1-2) And you were dead in the trespasses and sins in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience.

_____ Death

(Revelation 21:8) But as for the cowardly, the faithless, the detestable, as for murderers, the sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars, their portion will be in the lake that burns with fire and sulfur, which is the second death.

When does death come?

When we reach the end of the _____ numbered for us.

(Job 14:5) Since his days are determined, and the number of his months is with you, and you have appointed his limits that he cannot pass.

When our _____ is completed.

(Ephesians 2: 10) For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

When we have finished our _____.

(2 Timothy 4:7) I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.

When we are _____ to die.

(Hebrews 9:27) And just as it is appointed for man to die once, and after that comes judgment.

Thin Places for the Living

When we face the _____ of our lives.

(Hebrews 11:23) By faith Moses, when he was born, was hidden for three months by his parents, because they saw that the child was beautiful, and they were not afraid of the king's edict.

When we _____ with Christ.

(Romans 6:5) For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his.

When we see death as a _____.

(Philippians 1:21) For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain.

Thin Places for the Dying

When we walk the _____.

(Acts 7:54-56) Now when they heard these things they were enraged, and they ground their teeth at him. But he, full of the Holy Spirit, gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. And he said, "Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God."

When we see the _____.

(Luke 16:22) The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham's side. The rich man also died and was buried.

When we hear God _____.

(Song of Solomon 2:11-14) For behold, the winter is past; the rain is over and gone. The flowers appear on the earth, the time of singing has come, and the voice of the turtledove is heard in our land. The fig tree ripens its figs, and the vines are in blossom; they give forth fragrance. Arise, my love, my beautiful one, and come away. O my dove, in the clefts of the rock, in the crannies of the cliff, let me see your face, let me hear your voice, for your voice is sweet, and your face is lovely.