What Happens to Me When I Die? Study Questions

Getting Started

- 1. What insight, principle, or observation from this week's message did you find to be most helpful, eye-opening or troubling? Explain.
- 2. When you think of death, what comes to mind? How would you define death?
- 3. We don't really talk about death in our culture yet it is seems to be on everyone's mind. What should be our first priority according to Matthew 10:28?
- 4. What does the statement "We are not sinners because we sin, We sin because we are sinners." communicate to you?
- 5. Take a few minutes and think through Ephesians 2:1-3. What does it reveal about a person's spiritual condition without Christ? What does this teach us about the inadequacy of good works as a way to God?
- 6. Take some time to read the full account of the Rich Man and Lazarus in Luke 16:19-31. What stands out to you from this account shared by Jesus?
- 7. 1 Thessalonians 4:15-17 refers to an event that is called the Rapture. What are ways that this truth gives us hope in uncertain time in which we live?
- 8. What is Paul's instruction to believers in 2 Corinthians 5:6-10 (especially verse 10)? How is he motivated in verse 11?
- 9. 1 Corinthians 3:12-15 gives a powerful challenge to followers or Christ. What is the message for believers living today?
- 10. Why should this topic motivate us to live for Jesus and share Him with others?

Digging Deeper

11. Take time to reflect on the two questions: "Do I Know Christ?" and if so, "Am I Living for Him?" Then follow His prompting.

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The God Questions

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"[God] has put eternity into man's heart,"
[Goa] nas pui eierniiy inio man's neari, Ecclesiastes 3:11b ESV
So What is Death?
Death is the!
Physical Death is the of Body and Soul "And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul." Matthew 10:28a ESV
"The last enemy to be destroyed is death." 1 Corinthians 15:26 ESV
Spiritual Death is the of God and Man "And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell." Matthew 10:28 ESV
"Therefore, as one trespass led to condemnation for all men, so one act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all men." Romans 5:18 ESV
"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— among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind." Ephesians 2:1–3 ESV
So What Happens When I Die?
1. My Body

2. My Soul is _____ in Heaven or ____ in Hell

"And just as it is appointed for man to die once, and after that comes judgment,"

Hebrews 9:27 ESV

"And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.""

Matthew 25:46 ESV

"The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham's side. The rich man also died and was buried, and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at his side."

Luke 16:22–23 ESV

"And if your eye causes you to sin, tear it out. It is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than with two eyes to be thrown into hell, 'where their worm does not die and the fire is not quenched."

Mark 9:47–48 ESV

"And he said to him, "Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise.""

Luke 23:43 ESV

"Yes, we are of good courage, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord." 2 Corinthians 5:8 ESV

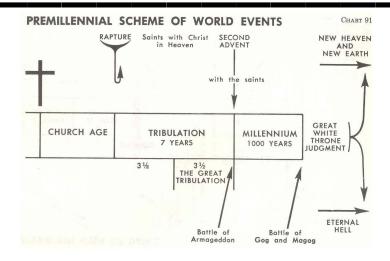
3. Believer: Soul and Body Reunited at the

"For this we declare to you by a word from the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep. For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord."

1 Thessalonians 4:15–17 ESV

"For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may receive what is due for what he has done in the body, whether good or evil."

2 Corinthians 5:10 ESV



4. Unbeliever: Reunited at the

"Then I saw a great white throne and him who was seated on it. From his presence earth and sky fled away, and no place was found for them. And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne, and books were opened. Then another book was opened, which is the book of life. And the dead were judged by what was written in the books, according to what they had done ... This is the second death, the lake of fire. And if anyone's name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire."

Revelation 20:11–15 ESV

Do I Know Christ?

"Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life. He does not come into judgment, but has passed from death to life."

John 5:24 ESV

Am I Living For Christ?

"Now if anyone builds on the foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw—each one's work will become manifest, for the Day will disclose it, because it will be revealed by fire, and the fire will test what sort of work each one has done. If the work that anyone has built on the foundation survives, he will receive a reward. If anyone's work is burned up, he will suffer loss, though he himself will be saved, but only as through fire." 1 Corinthians 3:12–15 ESV