



THE BIBLE STANDS

*The Bible stands though the hills may tumble,
It will firmly stand when the earth shall crumble;
I will plant my feet on its firm foundation,
For the Bible stands.*

Lesson 11: WHERE DO WE GO WHEN WE DIE?

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1. Where do we go when we die? Job 21:32.

"Yet shall he be brought to the grave, and shall remain in the tomb."

"What man is he that liveth, and shall not see death? shall he deliver his soul from the hand of the grave? Selah." Psalms 89:48.

"I said in the cutting off of my days, I shall go to the gates of the grave: I am deprived of the residue of my years." Isaiah 38:10.

2. The wicked are kept in their graves until they are resurrected for what purpose? Job 21:30.

"That the wicked is reserved to the day of destruction? they shall be brought forth to the day of wrath."

"So man lieth down, and riseth not: till the heavens be no more, they shall not awake, nor be raised out of their sleep." Job 14:12.

3. Like Job, the righteous dead are to wait in the grave until what takes place? Job 14:13, 14.

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

"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." 1 Corinthians 15:51, 52.

4. They that are Christ's will be given life at what great event? 1 Corinthians 15:22, 23.

"For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive. 23 But every man in his own order: Christ the firstfruits; afterward they that are Christ's at His coming."

5. Has David, the man after God's own heart, already gone to heaven? Acts 2:34.

"For David is not ascended into the heavens: but he saith himself, The LORD said unto my Lord, Sit thou on My right hand,"

6. Where is David now? Acts 2:29.

"Men and brethren, let me freely speak unto you of the patriarch David, that he is both dead and buried, and his sepulchre is with us unto this day."

7. What has become of him? Acts 13:36.

“For David, after he had served his own generation by the will of God, fell on sleep, and was laid unto his fathers, and saw corruption:”

8. How will God wake up the righteous dead? 1 Thessalonians 4:16.

“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:”

“And He shall send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together His elect from the four winds.” Matthew 24:31.

9. Until resurrection morning, where do the dead wait? Job 17:13.

“If I wait, the grave is mine house: I have made my bed in the darkness.”

10. Where did Jesus say the dead are? John 5:28.

“Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear His voice,”

11. What words did Jesus use to say that his friend Lazarus was dead? John 11:11-13.

“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.”

12. How did David illustrate his own death? Psalm 13:3.

“Consider and hear me, O LORD my God: lighten mine eyes, lest I sleep the sleep of death;”

13. What words did Paul use to describe those who had died after seeing Jesus’ ascension? 1 Corinthians 15:6.

“After that, He was seen of above five hundred brethren at once; of whom the greater part remain unto this present, but some are fallen asleep.”

“For this cause many are weak and sickly among you, and many sleep.” 1 Corinthians 11:30.

“Wherefore he saith, Awake thou that sleepest, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give thee light.” Ephesians 5:14.

But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope. For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with Him. 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 them which are asleep.” 1 Thessalonians 4:13-15.

14. If there were no resurrection, what would happen to all who have fallen asleep? 1 Corinthians 15:18.

“Then they also which are fallen asleep in Christ are perished.”

15. Did Jesus ascend to heaven when He died? John 20:17.

“Jesus saith unto her, Touch Me not; for I am not yet ascended to My Father: but go to My brethren, and say unto them, I ascend unto My Father, and your Father; and to My God, and your God.”

16. How much does a dead man know? Ecclesiastes 9:5.

“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.”

17. What happens to his feelings and emotions? Ecclesiastes 9:6.

“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.”

18. What happens to all his thoughts? Psalm 146:4.

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

19. Like David, what should believers do while they are alive? Psalm 146:2.

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

20. If good people go to heaven when they die they would obviously be praising the Lord, but what does the Bible say those who die do? Psalm 115:17.

“The dead praise not the LORD, neither any that go down into silence.”

“The living, the living, he shall praise Thee, as I do this day: the father to the children shall make known Thy truth.” Isaiah 38:19.

21. Can the dead thank God or even remember Him? Psalm 6:5.

“For in death there is no remembrance of Thee: in the grave who shall give Thee thanks?”

22. Why will many people perish? 2 Thessalonians 2:10.

“And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved.”

“The LORD hath a controversy with the inhabitants of the land, because there is no truth, nor mercy, nor knowledge of God in the land... My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge.” Hosea 4:1, 6.

“But if our gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost: In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them.” 2 Corinthians 4:3, 4.

23. Those who haven't learned to love the truth while they are alive, will they get the chance while in the grave? Isaiah 38:18.

“For the grave cannot praise Thee, death can not celebrate thee: they that go down into the pit cannot hope for Thy truth.”

24. How then should we use the short time in which we are alive? Ecclesiastes 9:10.

“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.”

25. Why is it so important to do it now? Ecclesiastes 9:10.

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Thought Summary:

The dead are unconscious in the grave, awaiting either the resurrection of life or the resurrection of damnation. Being that tomorrow is not promised, do you desire today to be in Christ and He in you?