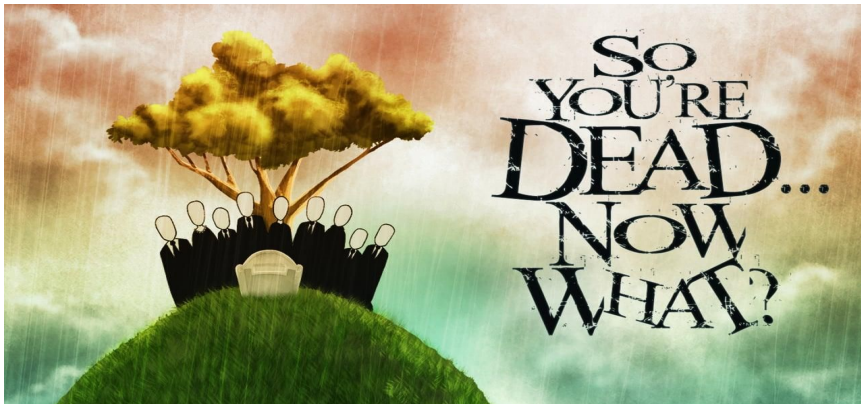


Beginning Today:



**#thoughts and prayers...
Are They Useless?**

NEW CELEBRATION BIBLE STUDY



The afterlife is cloaked in mystery. What happens moments after we die? What is Heaven really like? What about Hell? And does what we do in this world really matter in the next? Join us as we uncover the life-altering answers to these questions in So You're Dead...Now What?

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CELEBRATION NOTES:

INTRODUCTION

HOW GOD TALKS TO YOU

"God does speak -- sometimes one way and sometimes another -- even though people may not understand it."

Job 33:14

HOW DOES GOD TALK TO US?

1. GOD SPEAKS THROUGH THE BIBLE

"The whole Bible was given to us by inspiration from God and is useful to teach us what is true and make us realize what is wrong in our lives. . . It is God's way of making us well prepared at every point. . ." 2 Tim. 3:16

2. GOD SPEAKS THROUGH OTHERS

"When we preached to you, you didn't think of the words as being just our own, but you accepted it as the very Word of God -- which, of course, it was -- and it changed your lives. . ." 1 Thess. 2:13

"We do not speak in words taught by human wisdom, but in words taught by the Spirit, as we explain spiritual truths. . ." 1 Cor. 2:13

3. GOD SPEAKS THROUGH IMPRESSIONS

"The Holy Spirit. . . will be your teacher and will bring to your mind all I have said to you." John 14:26

"God speaks again and again, in dreams and visions at night when deep sleep falls. . . as people lie on their beds.

He opens their ears in times like that, and gives them wisdom and instruction." Job 33:14

Warning: Always TEST impressions!

4. GOD SPEAKS THROUGH PAIN

"Sometimes it takes a painful experience to make us change our ways." Pr. 20:30

"I used to wander off until you punished me; now I closely follow all you say. . . The punishment you gave me was the best thing that could have happened to me, for it taught me to pay attention to your laws."

Ps. 119:67, 71-72

Why Is It Important To Hear God's Voice?

1. IT ASSURES ME THAT I'M IN GOD'S FAMILY

"Jesus said. . . I know those who are mine and they hear my voice." John 10:14, 16

2. IT PROTECTS ME FROM MISTAKES

"God speaks. . . causing them to change their minds, and keeping them from pride. . . and from falling into some trap." Job 33:17-18

3. IT IS THE SECRET OF A PRODUCTIVE LIFE

"The person who shares my life and whose life I share will be fruitful." John 15:5

"Today, if you hear God's voice speaking to you, do not harden your heart against him." Heb 3:15