



GENESIS

Jacob's Death and Burial Genesis 49:29-33

²⁹ Then Jacob instructed them, "Soon I will die and join my ancestors. Bury me with my father and grandfather in the cave in the field of Ephron the Hittite. ³⁰ This is the cave in the field of Machpelah, near Mamre in Canaan, that Abraham bought from Ephron the Hittite as a permanent burial site. ³¹ There Abraham and his wife Sarah are buried. There Isaac and his wife, Rebekah, are buried. And there I buried Leah. ³² It is the plot of land and the cave that my grandfather Abraham bought from the Hittites." ³³ When Jacob had finished this charge to his sons, he drew his feet into the bed, breathed his last, and joined his ancestors in death.

1. Jacob expressed faith in the life to come. He was always looking forward. Do you live life with faith in the life to come? What does your mindset say about your faith in the life to come? Is it your priority? What needs to change today so that you are looking forward when Jesus walks you home?
1 Corinthians 15; John 11:25-26; Matthew 25:21, 23
2. Jacob's burial in the tomb of his ancestors was a monument to his faith, showing that he trusted the promises of God that this is the land of promise. Do you trust in the promises of God? God's Word reminds us that...when you think about these promises, where do you have a difficult time trusting the Word of God? Where do you need to surrender your fear? In what area of your life do you need to be reminded of God's Character and Faithfulness?
Numbers 23:19; Hebrews 13:5; Joshua 23:14; Psalm 77:9-12; Psalm 103:2; Philippians 1:6; Isaiah 55:11; 1 Corinthians 1:20
3. Jacob went willingly to death. He resigned his spirit into the Hand of God. His faith was in the righteous substitution of Christ and not his own effort. Is there evidence in your life that you are resting in Christ's Righteousness? Do you recognize that God is in control? Do you submit to His Holy Spirit? Do you abide above all else? Where do you find it difficult to rest in Christ?
John 19:30; Hebrews 4:9-10; John 15:5; Matthew 11:28-30; Romans 8:1; Psalm 37:7; Genesis 49:18; Genesis 48:16

In Christ Alone

Verse 1- In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my Light, my Strength, my Song
This Cornerstone, this Solid Ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love, what depths of peace
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease
My Comforter, my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand

Verse 2- In Christ alone, Who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless Babe
This Gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
'Til on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live

Verse 3- There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

Verse 4- No guilt in life, no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell, no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
'Til He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.