

## **Is death inevitable?**

*It is the same for all. There is one fate for the righteous and for the wicked; for the good, for the clean and for the unclean; for the man who offers a sacrifice and for the one who does not sacrifice. As the good man is, so is the sinner; as the swearer is, so is the one who is afraid to swear. Ecclesiastes 9:2*

*This is an evil in all that is done under the sun, that there is one fate for all men. Furthermore, the hearts of the sons of men are full of evil and insanity is in their hearts throughout their lives. Afterwards they go to the dead. Ecclesiastes 9:3*

**“We’re classified as a cemetery, but I would like to think of us as being more like a hospital, caring for patients that are metabolically challenged.” Ben Best, President and CEO of the Cryonics Institute**

## **If death is inevitable does God know when I am going to die?**

*Your eyes have seen my unformed substance; and in Your book were all written the days that were ordained for me, when yet there was not one of them. How precious also are Your thoughts to me, O God! How vast is the sum of them!  
Psalm 139:16–17*

*Since his days are determined, the number of his months is with You; and his limits You have set so that he cannot pass.  
Job 14:5*

## **Do we have zero control over the day and time when we will die?**

*And since it is appointed for men to die once and after this judgment. Hebrews 9:27*

**“Each of us is given the exact same number of seconds, minutes and hours per day as anyone else. The difference is how we redeem them”. Billy Graham**

**“Every man ought to have the chance to correct his epitaph in midstream and write a new one.” Alfred Nobel**

## **Was death God’s original intent for mankind?**

*The Lord God commanded the man, saying, “From any tree of the garden you may eat freely; but from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat from it you will surely die.” Genesis 2:16–17*

## **Death was not God’s original intent, but it is a consequence of sin.**

*Therefore, just as through one man sin entered into the world, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men, because all sinned. Romans 5:12*

*For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. Romans 3:23*

*For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. Romans 6:23*

## **Death was not God’s original intent, but eternal life was.**

*The Lord God made garments of skin for Adam and his wife and clothed them. Genesis 3:21*

*He has made everything appropriate in its time. He has also set eternity in their heart, yet so that man will not find out the work which God has done from the beginning even to the end. Ecclesiastes 3:11*

*For if by the transgression of the one, death reigned through the one, much more those who receive the abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness will reign in life through the One, Jesus Christ. Romans 5:17*

*For God did not send the Son into the world to judge the world, but that the world might be saved through Him.  
John 3:17*

## **Is death something we should be afraid of?**

**Yes, death is something to be afraid of for the person who does not accept the Word of God**

*For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men who suppress the truth in unrighteousness. Romans 1:18*

*But because of your stubbornness and unrepentant heart you are storing up wrath for yourself in the day of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of God. Romans 2:5*

*For God has not destined us for wrath, but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ. 1 Thessalonians 5:9*

**No, death is not something to be afraid of for the person who accepts the Word of God.**

*He who believes in Him is not judged; he who does not believe has been judged already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God. John 3:18*

*To those who by perseverance in doing good seek for glory and honor and immortality, eternal life; but to those who are selfishly ambitious and do not obey the truth, but obey unrighteousness, wrath and indignation. Romans 2:7-8*

*Do not be afraid; I am the first and the last, and the living One; and I was dead, and behold, I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of death and of Hades. Revelation 1:17-18*

*Do not let your heart be troubled; believe in God, believe also in Me. In My Father's house are many dwelling places; if it were not so, I would have told you; for I go to prepare a place for you. John 14:1-2*

*O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting? The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law; but thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. 1 Corinthians 15:55-57*

**If death is inevitable and Jesus has won the victory over it, why would people not choose life in Him?**

**Some people have a stubborn and unrepentant heart.**

*But because of your stubbornness and unrepentant heart you are storing up wrath for yourself in the day of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of God, who will render to each person according to his deeds. Romans 2:5-6*

**Some people reject the idea that God is kind.**

*Or do you think lightly of the riches of His kindness and tolerance and patience, not knowing that the kindness of God leads you to repentance? Romans 2:4*

**Some people think good is good enough.**

*And Jesus said to him, "Why do you call Me good? No one is good except God alone. Mark 10:18*

**Some are afraid of persecution and social rejection.**

*Nevertheless, many even of the rulers believed in Him, but because of the Pharisees they were not confessing Him, for fear that they would be put out of the synagogue; for they loved the approval of men rather than the approval of God. John 12:42-43*

**Some choose the things of this world over eternal things.**

*Set your mind on the things above, not on the things that are on earth. Colossians 3:2*

**Some choose to resist the call of the Holy Spirit.**

*But a natural man does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; and he cannot understand them, because they are spiritually appraised. 1 Corinthians 2:14*

