

# Death

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1. Do Christians really die?
  - A. Death is not a \_\_\_\_\_ for Christians. ([Romans 8:1](#))
  - B. Death is the final outcome of living in a \_\_\_\_\_ world. ([1 Corinthians 15:24-26](#))
  - C. God uses the finality of our temporal existence to complete our \_\_\_\_\_. ([Romans 8:28](#), [Hebrews 12:6](#), [10-11](#))
  - D. Our transition completes our \_\_\_\_\_ with Christ. ([Romans 8:17](#); [1 Peter 4:13](#))
  - E. The goal of persevering our physical life is not the highest \_\_\_\_\_ for a believer. ([Acts 20:24](#), [21:13](#), [Revelation 12:11](#))
2. How should we think about death?
  - A. Our transition ([2 Corinthians 5:8](#); [Philippians 1:21-23](#); [Revelation 14:13](#))
  - B. \_\_\_\_\_ Friends and Relatives ([1 Thessalonians 4:13](#))
  - C. The death of unbelievers ([Romans 9:1-3](#))
3. What happens to believers when they transition and unbelievers when they die?
  - A. The souls of believers go \_\_\_\_\_ into God's presence. ([2 Corinthians 5:8](#))
    - i. The Bible doesn't teach the doctrine of \_\_\_\_\_.
    - ii. The Bible doesn't teach the doctrine of \_\_\_\_\_.
    - iii. What about Old Testament saints?
    - iv. Should we \_\_\_\_\_ for the dead?
  - B. The souls of unbelievers go immediately to eternal \_\_\_\_\_. ([Matthew 25:41](#), [46](#))

## Discussion Questions

1. The lesson emphasizes that death is fundamentally *separation*. How does that definition reshape the way we think about a believer's death?
2. How does understanding death as a result of living in a fallen world ([1 Corinthians 15:26](#)) help us process suffering, illness, and aging in our own lives?
3. [Hebrews 12](#) teaches that God disciplines those He loves. How can we discern the difference between discipline meant for correction and discipline meant for growth?

4. The lesson states that preserving physical life is not the highest goal for a believer. How does this challenge modern cultural views about safety, comfort, and longevity?
5. Paul expresses a readiness to die for the sake of faithfulness ([Acts 20:24](#); [21:13](#)). How can believers cultivate that same perspective without becoming careless about life?
6. When an unbeliever dies, how should compassion, sorrow, and theological honesty be held together in our conversations and responses?
7. What are some unhealthy or unbiblical ways Christians sometimes try to avoid grief, and how does Scripture give us a better model?