

Scripture Reading: Rev: 21:1-7, 22-27; Rev 22:14, 17, 21

Text: Eccl 9: 5. "For the living know that they shall die."

Int!: Stand today looking upon two great mysteries, life & death. Neither can be defined or explained. Life but a short journey from cradle to grave & death with its awful solemnities will come to all. Death is common in the world; it is an appointed event and come when it will it is sad. We are ignorant of many other things in this life, but we are not ignorant of our mortality, we know in the words of our text, that we shall die: we are not even given a hint of when this appointed time is, it may be in youth, middle life or old age.

I. What is implied in dying?
we cannot fully answer this question, for the living have not experienced it & the dead do not reveal the profound secret.

Some say it means an utter extinction of being. Such people neither regard reason or revelation, which proclaim the soul of man immortal. What says the word of God
a. Death, a separation of soul & body, Eccl: 12: 7
b. "a final departure from this world," Heb: 13: 14, ^{Heb: 13: 14, Rev 3: 10, it as a departure}
c. Death an entrance into a new life.

II. How do the living know they shall die
By appointment of God. Heb. 9: 27

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^{1 Cor 15: 21-22, Job, 54: 15} all flesh shall just men shall return unto dust
2. By death of others.
3. By what we feel in ourselves

III. What improvement should we make of this subject.

1. Withdraw ourselves from all things worldly
2. Improve life as we pass along.
3. Our sins should be put under foot
4. Seek spiritual life which death can not touch

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Scripture Lesson: John 20: 1-29.

Text:

Introduction:-

In the glare of earthly pleasure, in the race for earthly treasure, how you forgotten God. Oh, how easy it is to let the cares of life and our pursuits of wealth & pleasure crowd God out. The briars & thorns can so soon choke the good seed of God, etc.

Let us forget, the real significance of Easter & other holy days, the central thought of the Easter season

1. Vicarious living

1. Jesus death not primarily an example - but atonement, yet it is also exemplary.

1. Greatest love - to lay down life for a friend.

2. Highest degree - the superlative of love attained thru living for others. Self is the least and love the most. all selfishness leads to death - self extinction

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Link your life to some great cause or the Kingdom program

2. Joy in Vicarious living

1. No joy like that which comes as a result of having given our best to some one else.

3. Hope - Because of Jesus' triumph

Hope can be expected to come to fruition when we have lived vicariously.