

# When You Die Don't Worry About Your Body



WHEN YOU DIE, don't worry about your body... your relatives will do whatever is necessary according to their possibilities. They will take your clothes off, wash you, dress you, take you out of your house and take you to your place of burial. Many may come to your funeral to "say goodbye." Some may even cancel commitments and miss work to go to your funeral. Your belongings, even what you didn't like to lend, will be sold, given away or thrown out with the garbage. Your keys, your tools, your books, your CDs, your DVDs, your photos, your shoes, your clothes, your vehicles, your house...

And rest assured that the world will not stop for you. The economy will continue. In your job, you will be replaced. Someone with the same or better capabilities will take your place. Your assets will go to your heirs... And do not doubt that you will continue to be cited, judged, questioned and criticized for the small and great things you did in life. People who knew you only by your appearance will say; Poor man or woman! Your sincere friends will cry for a few hours or a few days, but then they will return to their normal lives of fun & laughter.

Your animals will be given away and it will take time but they will get used to the new owner. Your photos will hang on the wall or remain on a piece of furniture for a while, but then perhaps they will be stored at the bottom of a drawer. And we will only live in the memory of those who loved us. Someone else will sit on your couch and eat at your table. The deep pain in your house will last a week, two, a month, two, a year, two... Then you will be added to the memories and then, your story is over. It ended up among people, it ended up here, it ended up in this world. But begin your story in your new reality... in your life after death. Your life where you couldn't move with the things from here because, when you left, they lost the value they had.

Good Looks

Notoriety

Comforts

Financial Assets

Property, Houses, Land

Vehicles

Titles & Degrees

Medals, Awards, Trophies

Friends, Spouse, Children, Family

In your new life you will only need your soul. Things of eternal value that you have accumulated here will be the only fortune you will have in the next life.

When you live a life of love for God, love for others and peace with your neighbors, you are amassing your spiritual fortune. That's why you should try to live fully, be content, be sold out for God and be preoccupied with helping others, while you are here, especially helping others to know about the God who rules and reigns in Heaven and who is the final Judge of those who leave this world. Because, "From here you won't take what you have. You'll only take what you gave."

**The big question for all of us is: Do we know where our soul is going after this life is over?**

Jesus said: *"I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me."* (John 14:6)

Notice that Jesus did not say you could get to heaven anyway you wish or that all religions lead to heaven or that you only need to be a good person and make sure that your good deeds outweigh your bad deeds. No. Jesus is God. He RULES and REIGNS over Heaven and Earth. It is HIS LAWS that we violate when we sin. The Bible is clear that no one can see the kingdom of God unless they are born again – that is, spiritually born into God's family: *"Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God."* (John 3:3).

The Bible declares in Revelation 21:8 who will go to hell: *"But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death."* Those who go to hell are specifically those who do not believe in Jesus as their Savior and who are trusting in their own goodness to get to heaven. Our own goodness can never take away a single sin of ours. God only accepts one and only one payment for sin – the sacrifice of the Lord Jesus Christ on the cross 2,000 years ago. Do YOU see yourself as sinful as God sees you? Are you willing to trust in Jesus alone for your salvation so that on Judgment Day you won't be cast into Hell? Have you cried out to God to have mercy on your eternal soul?

The Bible says: *"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved. He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God."* (John 3:16).

*"For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord"* (Romans 6:23).

*"Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved"* (Acts 16:31)

What are you living for? Are you living for money, fame and pleasure? One day, we will all leave this world behind for good. Because of our sin, we will

meet a holy and just God on Judgment Day. You will want to RUN from Him if you are not ready to meet Him. The Good News is that Christ has paid for the sins of those who trust in him ALONE for their salvation from sin and from its eternal consequences in hell.

**“Some trust in chariots, and some in horses: but we will remember the name of the Lord our God.” Psalm 20:7**

— *Adapted from similar versions of this particular message*

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