


# DEATH

## What does the Bible say?

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**SUGGESTED SCRIPTURES**

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- PSALMS 116:13-18
- ECCLESIASTES 3:1-22
- 1 THESSALONIANS 4:13-17

**Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.**

**MATTHEW 5:4**

The Christian view of death is special.

The belief in God, resurrected Jesus, salvation, heaven and the eternity of the human spirit allows and encourages hope in time of despair.

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**In 2 Samuel 18 tells the story of the death of Absalom, a favored son of King David.**

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Though Absalom had made war on King David, King David did all in his power to protect his son from harm. The scriptures carry the deep grief and emotion of King David at losing a son.

The Book of Psalms, attributed to David, shares many deep emotions and feelings along with great wisdom about the process of grief and one's relationship to God.

Ecclesiastes speaks about the seasons of life. Much like the dead of winter is necessary for plants to regrow from the roots up, pain and sorrow often lead to necessary growth of our soul.

## How does the Bible portray death? How do you feel about this?

**Does the Bible's portrayal of death bring you comfort? If so, what scriptures do you find helpful?**

**MY SCRIPTURES:**

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**MY ANSWER:**

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