

BIBLE WORK

What does the Bible say about death?

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 encourages hope in time of despair.

Some believe once we die, we simply cease existing. The Bible says differently. And yet, because we're human with human emotions, believing in one's salvation doesn't erase the depth of grief we feel over such a profound loss. Life inevitably includes sorrow, sometimes accompanied by bitterness and hopelessness. God gave us tears to express our grief.

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. So, while Christians aren't immune to sorrow, does the Bible's view of everlasting life ease our grief?

HOW DOES THE BIBLE PORTRAY DEATH? HOW DO YOU FEEL ABOUT THIS?

Does the Bible's portrayal of death bring you comfort? What scriptures do you find helpful?

ANSWER:



SCRIPTURES TO EXPLORE

- PSALM 34:18
- PSALM 55:22
- ECCLESIASTES 3:1-22
- 1 THESSALONIANS 4:13-17

MY SCRIPTURES



PRAYER

Dear God,

I am overwhelmed by this season of grief. My heart is fractured like broken shards. I thank you for the precious gift of my loved one's life, yet I am unsure how to manage without their physical presence.

Lord, please wrap your loving arms around me and give me the strength to get through today, and remind my heart that you will carry me through this dark time. Thank you for hearing my cries, Lord.

In Jesus' name I pray, Amen.

