

Peace I leave with you; **my peace I give you.** I do not give to you *as the world gives*. **Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.**

John 14:27 NIV

Death

Death is not easy to talk about. **No one wants to *think about it*** much less *talk* about it. But the odds are, you have already come ***very close*** to it.

If you are saved, **you have nothing to fear** — but that is an *easy thing to say* and **something else** when **it is put to the test....**

We are confident, yes, well **pleased** rather *to be **absent** from **the body*** and to be **present with the Lord.**

[*with our **trust in Jesus**, we **KNOW** we will be with Him the moment we die, OR we are caught up, **raptured**, out of this world. And we will be given **new physical bodies.***]

[*Interjections in brackets*] **2 Corinthians 5:8 NKJV**

When you trust in Jesus you are saved and, **Death is NOT a Punishment. It is also *Not* THE END!**

*If or **when** it happens, it is allowed by God, or it Would Not Happen.*

If it does happen, **you go home immediately to heaven to *LIVE* with God** *and with us too.* You will be removed from the horrors and persecution you are now facing.

On the other side of this *time of Tribulation and judgment*, there is so much more you will be excited to know about covered later in this guidebook.

When a believer dies, they are **with Jesus in heaven *immediately*.**

Death is separation.

Separation *OF* the soul and spirit *FROM* the physical body.

But that is not the end.



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On the **other hand**, the ***UNBELIEVER*** is immediately **taken** to a place called ***Gehenna***, which is **Hell** but more like a **holding place** before the **final Hell** which is the ***lake of fire***.

Do not get confused Hell is Hell **and not a pleasant** place to spend forever.

For I am persuaded that **neither death nor life, nor angels** nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, **shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

Romans 8:38-39 NKJV

Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, **and I will give you rest.** [*This verse is **NOT** talking about **Death**. However, it is a picture of the **peace that Jesus offers** from our struggles in life.]*

[*Interjections in brackets*] **Matthew 11:28 NKJV**

Psalm 23 NKJV

The **LORD** *is* my shepherd;
I shall not want.

He makes me to lie down in green pastures;
He leads me beside the **still waters.**

He restores my soul;

He leads me in the paths of **righteousness**
For His name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley
of the *shadow of death*,

I will fear no evil;

For You *are* with me;

Your rod and Your staff, they comfort
me.

You prepare a table before me in the
presence of my enemies;

You anoint my head with oil;

My cup runs over.

Surely **goodness** and **mercy** shall
follow me

All the days of my life;

And I will dwell in the house of
the LORD

Forever.

Psalm 23 NKJV

In everything *PRAISE* GOD.

Even in – ***ESPECIALLY in*** – suffering.

It **may seem** like that is the **last thing** you want to do – give praise and thanks to God when you *are suffering* either **physically OR emotionally** – but HIS word tells us to *PRAISE* GOD in ALL things.

True healing comes *from* **God** and there is **comfort** and **healing** that **comes with being thankful to God.**

The following **passages** of scripture — Revelation 6:9-11, 7:9-14, and 20:4-6 — tell of the people who are **martyred and become the *Tribulation Saints*.**

But the Bible also tells us that **there are some people who will be alive like you are right now at the end of the Great Tribulation.**

That being **said**, the **chances** of ending up in the **group** with the **martyrs** is relatively **easier** than **remaining** in the **group** of those **who** might survive.

The Tribulation Saints

When He opened the fifth seal, I saw **under the altar the souls of those who had been SLAIN for the word of God** and for the testimony which they held.

Revelation 6:9 NKJV

Fifth Seal: The Cry of the Martyrs

And **they cried** with a loud voice, saying, "**How long, O Lord**, holy and true, **until You judge and avenge OUR blood on those who dwell on the earth?**"

Then a **white robe was given to each of them**; and it was said to them that they should rest a little while longer, **until both *the number of their fellow servants and their brethren, who would be killed as they were***, was completed.

Revelation 6:10-11 NKJV

[*Interjections in brackets*] **Revelation 7:9-14 NKJV**

After these things I looked, and behold, **a great multitude which no one could number, of all nations, tribes, peoples, and tongues, standing** [*they are now standing, **not** still under the alter*] **before** the throne and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, with palm branches *in their hands*, and crying out with a loud voice, saying, "**Salvation belongs** to our **God** who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" **All** the **angels** stood around the throne and the elders and the four living creatures, and fell on their faces before the throne and **worshiped God**, saying:

"Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom, **Thanksgiving** and **honor** and power and might, *Be* to our God forever and ever. Amen."

Then one of the elders answered, saying to me, "**Who are these arrayed in white robes**, and where did they come from?"

And I said to him, "Sir, you know."

So he said to me, "These are **the ones who come out of the great tribulation**, and washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

Revelation 7:9-14 NKJV

Revelation 20:4-6 NKJV**The Saints Reign with Christ 1,000 Years**

And **I saw** thrones, and **they sat on them**, and judgment was committed to them.

Then I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded for their witness to Jesus and for the word of God, who had **NOT worshiped** the ***beast or his image***, and had **not received his mark on their foreheads or on their hands**. And they **lived and reigned** with **Christ** for a **thousand years**.

But **the rest** of the dead **did not** live again ***UNTIL*** the **thousand years** were finished [*people who died and **were not saved***].

This is the first resurrection. Blessed and holy *is* he who has part in the **first resurrection**. Over such **the second death** has no power, **but they shall be priests of God and of Christ**, and **shall reign** with Him a thousand years.

[***Just because only 1000 years are mentioned here, does not mean that **is all there is to be*****.

NO. Forever IS way more than 1000 years.]

[*Interjections in brackets*] **Revelation 20:4-6 NKJV**

But the *cowardly*, **UNBELIEVING**, *abominable*, **murderers**, **sexually immoral**, **sorcerers**, **idolaters**, and **all liars** shall have their part in the lake which **burns** with **fire** and **brimstone**, which is **the second death**."

[**Literally** everyone ever born, **except** for **Jesus**, fits on that list. If for nothing more than being a **liar**. But if we are **honest**, at least most of us will **admit** that we have sinned by doing **more than** just lying.

We all **deserve** the **lake of fire**.

But God's grace changes that. **Our** Salvation is **secure**. The moment we put our **trust in Jesus** we **received** a **FULL Pardon** for ALL of our sins.]

[*Interjections in brackets*] **Revelation 21:8 NKJV**

The ***beast or his image*** refers to the **Antichrist** who is the lawless one, the **new world leader** mentioned earlier.

Those who **do not take** the **MARK** of the Beast are **beheaded** ***BUT they*** will **LIVE** and **REIGN** with Christ.



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About the **Second Death** mentioned in the two previous verses....

Remember *DEATH* is **not the End**.

Death is **Separation**. The first death, as we typically think of death, is the **separation** of the soul and spirit from the physical **body** as we know it.

No matter **which way** we go, **Heaven** or **Hell**, we all get the physical **body upgrade** into a **Forever** *physical* **body**.

The Forever-Glorified body is perfect **without sin**. Sin is the root **cause** of the **decay** in **our first physical body**.

The **Forever** body **CANNOT DIE**.

But the Second Death comes **after** the **final judgement** when the people **who do not** want to **love God** are thrown into the **Lake of Fire** in their new *made to burn* **Forever** bodies.

And even **worse**, the **Second Death** is the complete **Separation** from **God**, and *THAT IS* the **truest definition of Hell**.

Forever *and* **ever** and *ever* and **ever**...
See page 212 for a closer look at Hell.