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## The Whole Truth

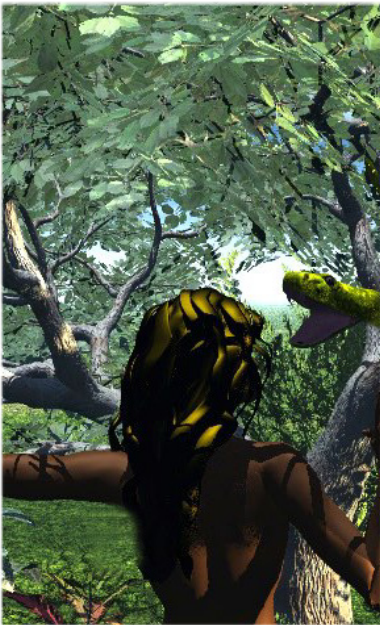
# ABOUT DEATH





**WHAT HAPPENS WHEN PEOPLE DIE? DO THEY GO TO HEAVEN OR HELL OR SOMEWHERE IN BETWEEN? IS THERE LIFE AFTER DEATH? CAN OUR LOVED ONES COMMUNICATE WITH US AFTER THEY HAVE DEPARTED? WHAT DOES THE BIBLE HAVE TO SAY ABOUT DEATH? THIS TOPIC IS ONE THAT IS OF PARAMOUNT IMPORTANCE IN ORDER TO AVOID THE GREAT DECEPTION OF SATAN OUR ENEMY.**

## 1. What was the devil's first deception?



**ANSWER:**

Genesis 3:4

"Then the serpent said to the woman,  
"You will not surely die."

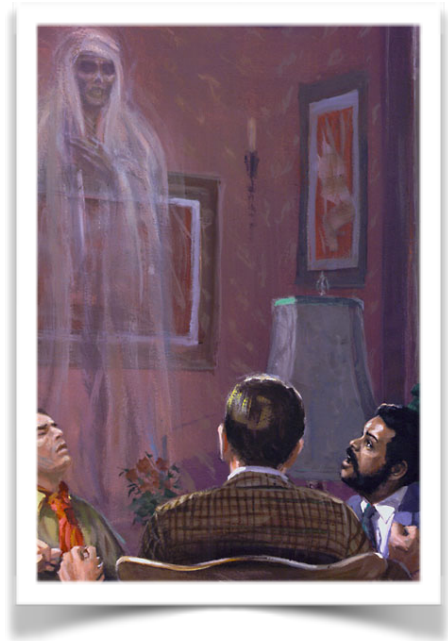
Note: Disguised as a serpent, the devil's first lie was that man was immortal regardless of what he did. Nothing he did could keep him from living, even breaking God's law. The devil told Eve that she could be a god and that she couldn't die. He is telling the same lie today.

## 2. Can the dead return to haunt or visit their homes or other people?

ANSWER:

Job 7:9

“As the cloud disappears and vanishes away, So he who goes down to the grave does not come up. He shall never return to his house, Nor shall his place know him anymore.”



## 3. Do all supernatural events or miracles come from God?



ANSWER:

Revelation 16:14

“For they are spirits of demons, performing signs, which go out to the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty.”

Note: If the devil has power to perform miracles, he has power to impersonate dead people and lend credence to spiritualism.

4. Are we to trust mediums, necromancers or anyone who tells us they can communicate with the dead?

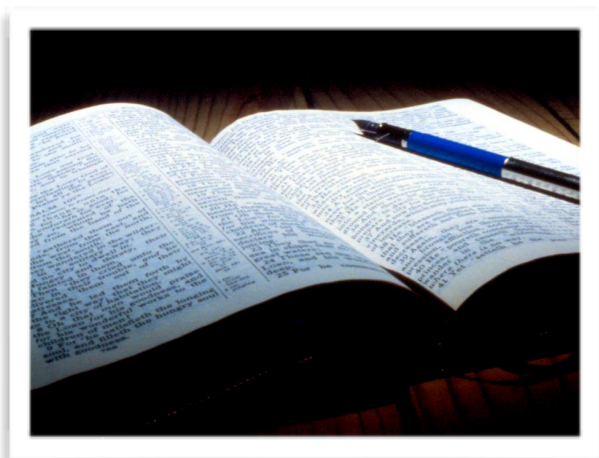
ANSWER:

Isaiah 8:19

And when they say to you, “Seek those who are mediums and wizards, who whisper and mutter,” should not a people seek their God? Should they seek the dead on behalf of the living?



5. What is the only tool we can trust concerning information about the dead?



ANSWER:

Isaiah 8:20

“To the law and to the testimony! If they do not speak according to this word, it is because there is no light in them.”

Note: We can only trust the Word of God. If anything or anyone differs from that it is not trustworthy.



## 6. How was man created? Genesis 2:7



ANSWER:

Genesis 2:7

“And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living being.”

Note: The Bible says that God took the elements of the earth and formed a body. Adam had a brain but it wasn't functioning. He had a heart in his chest but it wasn't beating. He had blood in his veins but it wasn't circulating. He had strong biceps but they weren't flexing. He was ready to live but he wasn't living UNTIL God “breathed into his nostrils the breath of life”. Then the Bible says that “man became a living soul”. Human beings do not have souls they are souls! (see Genesis 46:26; Revelation 16:3)

## 7. What is the breath of life also called in the Bible?



ANSWER:

Job 27:3

“As long as my breath is in me,  
And the breath of God in my  
nostrils,”

ANSWER:

James 2:26

For as the body without the spirit is  
dead, so faith without works is  
dead also.

Note: Spirit and breath are used interchangeably in the Bible. The spirit or breath of life is what keeps the body alive.

## 8. What happens when a person dies?

ANSWER:

Ecclesiastes 12:7

Then the dust will return to  
the earth as it was,  
And the spirit will return to  
God who gave it.



Note: A person who is a living soul (living human being) without the breath of life becomes a dead soul (Dead human being).

9. What happens to the thinking process of dead people?

ANSWER:

Psalms 146:3, 4

“Do not put your trust in princes,  
Nor in a son of man, in whom there is  
no help. His spirit departs, he returns  
to his earth;  
In that very day his plans perish.”



10. How aware are the dead and what do they know about the living?

ANSWER:

Ecclesiastes 9:5

For the living know that they will  
die;

But the dead know nothing,  
And they have no more reward,  
For the memory of them is  
forgotten.



## 11. What state does the Bible liken death with?

### ANSWER:

Psalm 13:3

“Consider and hear me, O Lord  
my God;  
Enlighten my eyes,  
Lest I sleep the sleep of death”

John 11:11-14

“... and after that He said to  
them, “Our friend Lazarus  
sleeps, but I go that I may wake  
him up.”

Then His disciples said, “Lord, if  
he sleeps he will get well.”

However, Jesus spoke of his  
death, but they thought that He  
was speaking about taking rest  
in sleep.

Then Jesus said to them plainly,  
“Lazarus is dead. And I am glad  
for your sakes that I was not  
there, that you may believe.  
Nevertheless let us go to him.”





## 12. How many resurrections will there be?



ANSWER:

John 5:28, 29

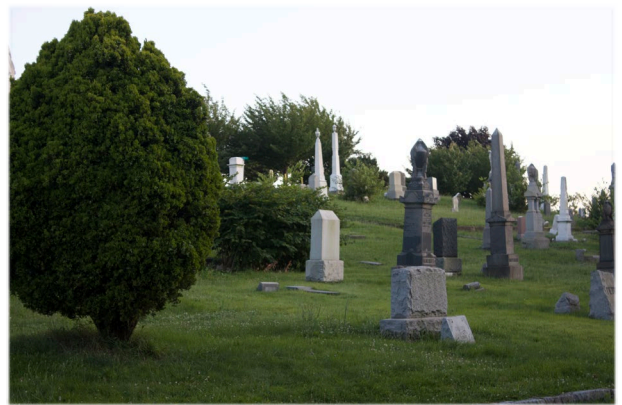
“Do not marvel at this; for the hour is coming in which all who are in the graves will hear His voice and come forth—those who have done good, to the resurrection of life, and those who have done evil, to the resurrection of condemnation.”

## 13. Where do the dead spend their time between death and their resurrection?

ANSWER:

Job 17:13

“If I wait for the grave as my house,  
If I make my bed in the darkness”



Note: People who die without Jesus also wait in the grave until their resurrection.

14. Do righteous people who die go straight to heaven and start praising God?

ANSWER:

Psalms 115:17

“The dead do not praise the Lord, Nor any who go down into silence.”



15. King David died a righteous man. Did he go to heaven when he died?



ANSWER:

Acts 2:29

“Men and brethren, let me speak freely to you of the patriarch David, that he is both dead and buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. “For David did not ascend into the heavens, ...”

16. What message of comfort does the Apostle Paul give concerning our loved ones who have died as Christians?

ANSWER:

1 Thessalonians 4:13

“But I do not want you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning those who have fallen asleep, lest you sorrow as others who have no hope.”



17. What is the reason why we don't have to be very sad when a committed Christian dies?

ANSWER:

John 11:25

“Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live.”





18. When will this happy occasion take place?  
When will all of God's sleeping children live again?

**ANSWER:**

1 Corinthians 15:20, 22, 23  
But now Christ is risen from the dead, and has become the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ all shall be made alive. But each one in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, afterward those who are Christ's at His coming."

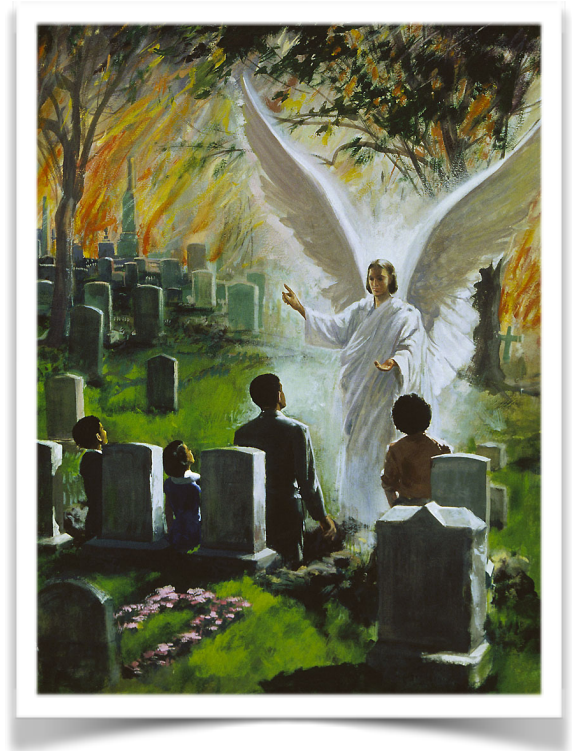


19. What will happen to God's children at this glorious event?

ANSWER:

1 Corinthians 15:51, 52

“Behold, I tell you a mystery: We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed—in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.”



20. How will we be changed?

ANSWER:

1 Corinthians 15:53

For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality., and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.”





ANSWER:

Philippians 3:20

“For our citizenship is in heaven, from which we also eagerly wait for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, who will transform our lowly body that it may be conformed to His glorious body, according to the working by which He is able even to subdue all things to Himself.”

21. What did King David say he would be when he awakes from the sleep of death?

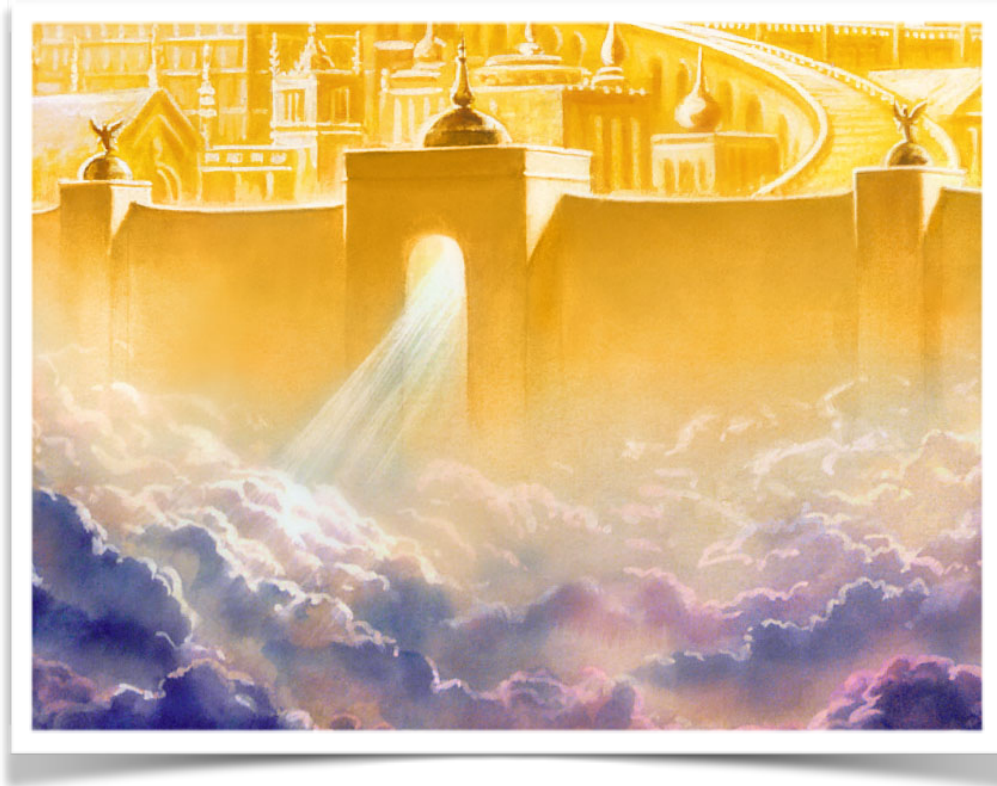
ANSWER:

Psalms 17:15

“As for me, I will see Your face in righteousness;  
I shall be satisfied when I awake in Your likeness.”



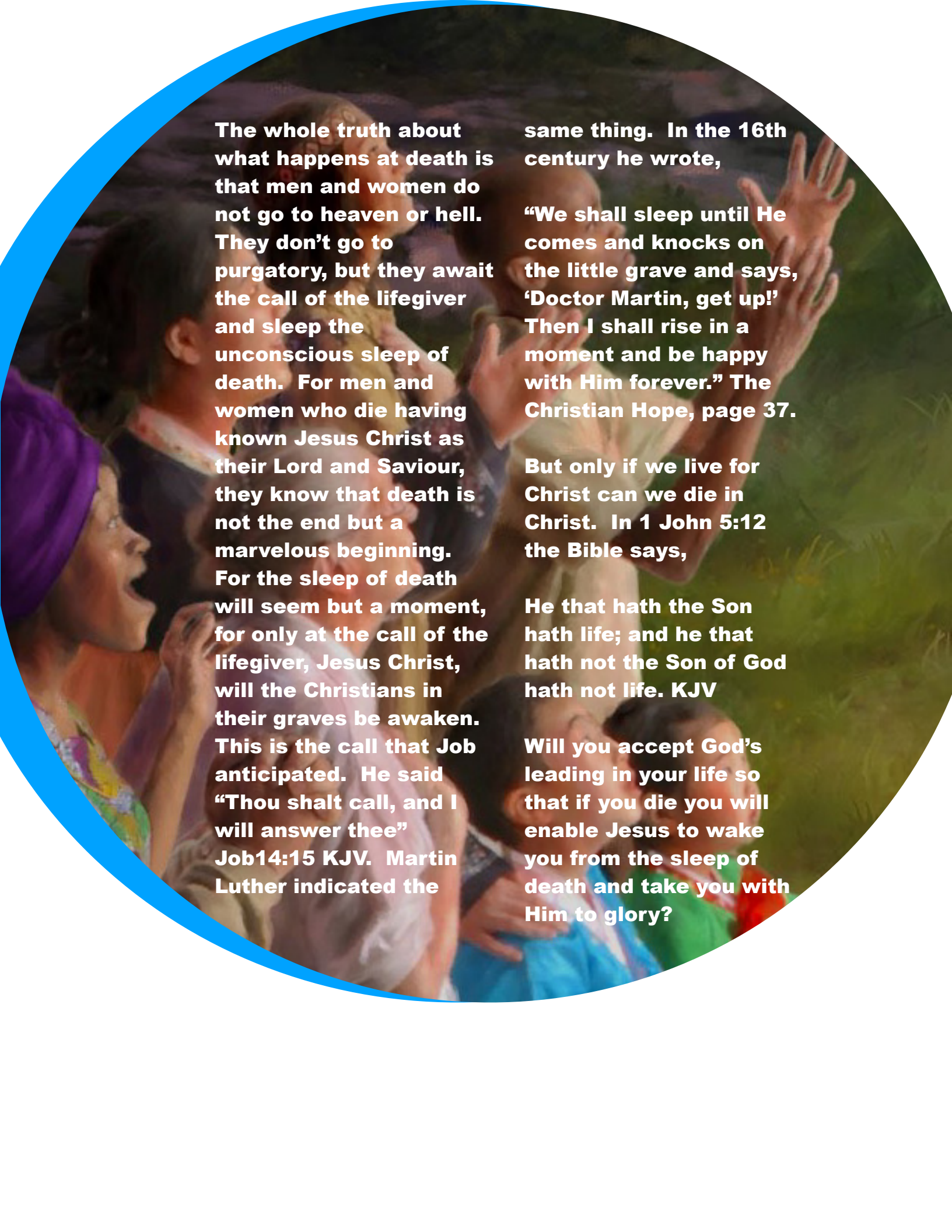
22. When will all God's Children finally be with Jesus in glory?



ANSWER:

1 Thessalonians 4:15-18

“For this we say to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive and remain until the coming of the Lord will by no means precede those who are asleep. For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord.”



**The whole truth about what happens at death is that men and women do not go to heaven or hell. They don't go to purgatory, but they await the call of the lifegiver and sleep the unconscious sleep of death. For men and women who die having known Jesus Christ as their Lord and Saviour, they know that death is not the end but a marvelous beginning. For the sleep of death will seem but a moment, for only at the call of the lifegiver, Jesus Christ, will the Christians in their graves be awoken. This is the call that Job anticipated. He said "Thou shalt call, and I will answer thee" Job14:15 KJV. Martin Luther indicated the**

**same thing. In the 16th century he wrote,**

**"We shall sleep until He comes and knocks on the little grave and says, 'Doctor Martin, get up!' Then I shall rise in a moment and be happy with Him forever." The Christian Hope, page 37.**

**But only if we live for Christ can we die in Christ. In 1 John 5:12 the Bible says,**

**He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life. KJV**

**Will you accept God's leading in your life so that if you die you will enable Jesus to wake you from the sleep of death and take you with Him to glory?**