

5 MINUTE LESSONS ON THE KINGDOM OF GOD

Why Do People Die?

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What a contrast between Adam and Christ who was yet to come! ¹⁵And what a difference between man's sin and God's forgiveness!

For this one man, Adam, brought death to many through his sin. But this one man, Jesus Christ, brought forgiveness to many through God's mercy." (Romans 5:12-15 LB)

"21Before, sin ruled over all men and brought them to death, but now God's kindness rules instead, giving us right standing with God and resulting in eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." (Romans 5:21 LB)

"18 Yet what we suffer now is nothing compared to the glory he will give us later. 19 For all creation is waiting patiently and hopefully for that future day when God will resurrect his children. 20-21 For on that day thorns and thistles, sin, death, and decay... will all disappear, and the world around us will share in the glorious freedom from sin which God's children enjoy." (Romans 8:18-21 LB)

"22For we know that even the things of nature, like animals and plants, suffer in sickness and death as they await this great event. ²³And even we Christians, although we have the Holy Spirit within us as a foretaste of future glory, also groan to be released from pain and suffering. We, too, wait anxiously for that day when God will give us our full rights as his children, including the new bodies he has promised us—bodies that will never be sick again and will never die." (Romans 8:22-23 LB)

"32 Since he did not spare even his own Son for us but gave him up for us all, won't he also surely give us everything else?" (Romans 8:32 LB)

"38 For I am convinced that nothing can ever separate us from his love. Death can't, and life can't. The angels won't, and all the powers of hell itself cannot keep God's love away. Our fears for today, our worries about tomorrow, ³⁹ or where we are—high above the sky, or in the deepest ocean—nothing will ever be able to separate us from the love of God demonstrated by our Lord Jesus Christ when he died for us." (Romans 8:38-39 LB)

Questions

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