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The Bible teaches that man is mortal, and at death, ceases to exist.

God has promised a future life by resurrection from the dead for those who believe and obey him.

They will be raised from death to life when Christ returns to the earth.

#### For the majority of people death is the end.

Psalm 88:4 (KJV)... I am as a man that hath no strength: 5 Free among the dead, like the slain that lie in the grave, whom thou rememberest no more...

Psalm 49:20 (KJV) Man that is in honour, and understandeth not, is like the beasts that perish.

Isaiah 43:17 (KJV)... the army and the power; they (Chaldeans) shall lie down together, they shall not rise: they are extinct...

Obadiah 1:16 (KJV)... they shall be as though they had not been.

Psalm 49:14 (KJV) Like sheep they are laid in the grave; death shall feed on them...

 For those who believe and obey God, death is not the end.

Psalm 49:15 (KJV)... God will redeem my soul from the power of the grave: for he shall receive me.

Job 19:26 (KJV)... though... worms destroy this body , yet in my flesh shall I see God:

Daniel 12:2 (KJV)... many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake...

Isaiah 25:8 (KJV) He will swallow up death in victory...

Proverbs 14:32 (KJV)... the righteous hath hope in his death

#### Death is death for all, while it lasts, because:

 Man is a creature made of the dust, and not an immortal entity dwelling in a body.

Genesis 2:7 (KJV)... God formed man of the dust of the ground...

1 Corinthians 15:47 (KJV) The first man is of the earth, earthy...

Psalm 103:14 (KJV)... he knoweth our frame; he remembereth that we are dust.

Genesis 18:27 (KJV)... I have taken upon me to speak unto the Lord, which am but dust and ashes:

#### • Death comes to all men because of sin.

Romans 5:12 (KJV)... by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned:

Romans 6:23 (KJV)... the wages of sin is death...

- 1 Corinthians 15:21 (KJV)... by man came death... 22... in Adam all die...
- 2 Corinthians 1:9 (KJV)... the sentence of death in ourselves...
- 1 Corinthians 15:53 (KJV)... this corruptible... this mortal...

### In death we have no consciousness; we corrupt back into dust and cease to exist.

Psalm 6:5 (KJV)... in death there is no remembrance of thee: in the grave who shall give thee thanks?

Isaiah 38:18 (KJV)... the grave cannot praise thee, death can not celebrate thee: they that go down into the pit cannot hope for thy truth.

Psalm 146:4 (KJV) His breath goeth forth, he returneth to his earth; in that very day his thoughts perish.

Ecclesiastes 9:5-6 (KJV)... the dead know not any thing... 6... their love, and their hatred, and their envy, is now perished...

Ecclesiastes 9:10 (KJV)... there is no work, nor device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom, in the grave, whither thou goest.

#### The righteous dead have not entered upon their reward.

Hebrews 11:13 (KJV) These all died in faith, not having received the promises, but having seen them afar off...

Acts 7:5 (KJV)... he (God) gave him (Abraham) none inheritance in it, no, not so much as to set his foot on: yet he promised that he would give it to him for a possession...

Hebrews 11:39 (KJV)... these all, having obtained a good report through faith, received not the promise: 40 God having provided some better thing for us, that they without us should not be made perfect.

Romans 8:17 (KJV)... glorified together.

Revelation 11:18 (KJV)... the time of the dead, that they should be judged, and that thou shouldest give reward unto thy servants the prophets, and to the saints, and them that fear thy name, small and great...

## Without resurrection from the dead, they are perished forever.

- 1 Corinthians 15:17 (KJV)... if Christ be not raised... 18... they also which are fallen asleep in Christ are perished.
- 1 Corinthians 15:32 (KJV)... what advantageth it me, if the dead rise not?..

There are a few passages of Scripture that, on the surface, appear to teach the commonly held (but nonetheless erroneous) view that we live on after death, and pass into a state of happiness or misery (in heaven or hell) according to how we have lived in this present life.

Closer examination by comparison with other passages of Scripture will show that the Bible, taken as a whole, does not actually teach this.

The belief arises, not from the Bible, but from the Greek philosophical doctrine of the 'immortality of the soul', which Biblical text is 'wrested' to support.

In conclusion, the Bible teaches that DEATH DOES END ALL for the majority of people, but for those who believe and obey the gospel preached by Jesus and his apostles, death is just a 'sleep' until the day of RESURRECTION at the return of Christ.