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Note: Scripture for this lesson taken from the NASB

Introduction: Are you afraid of death?

Death and the Intermediate State

Grudem: What is the purpose of death in the Christian life?

Why do Christians die?

A. It Is Not to _____ the _____ of Our Sin

Romans 8:1: Therefore there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

B. To Be _____ from This Sinful Body of Flesh

1 Corinthians 15:50: Now I say this, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.

C. To _____ & to _____

1 Corinthians 15:20: But now Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who are asleep.

D. To Be _____ & _____ for Our New Life / True Life

1 Corinthians 15:36b: That which you sow does not come to life unless it dies

Grudem: What happens to our bodies and souls when we die?

What happens when Christians die?

A. Their Bodies _____ to the Ground—Their Souls _____ to God

Ecclesiastes 12:7: then the dust will return to the earth as it was, and the spirit will return to God who gave it.

B. They Become _____ from the Body—They Become _____ with the Lord

2 Corinthians 5:8: we are of good courage, I say, and prefer rather to be absent from the body and to be at home with the Lord.

C. Is There a Purgatory? ____**D. They Await the _____**

_____ wait under the altar

_____ - _____ wait in comfort

E. In Bill's Honor - the _____ / _____ Factor (Extra Credit Consideration)

We can't conceive of an existence " _____ " _____ "

Scripture Memory Passage

1 Corinthians 15:55-57: 55 "O DEATH, WHERE IS YOUR VICTORY? O DEATH, WHERE IS YOUR STING?" 56 The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law; 57 but thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Glorification

Grudem: When will we receive resurrection bodies? What will they be like?

When?

A. On / In / At—the _____

John 6:40: "For this is the will of My Father, that everyone who beholds the Son and believes in Him will have eternal life, and I Myself will raise him up on the last day."

What will they be like?

B. They Will Be _____ Jesus

1 John 3:2b-e: it has not appeared as yet what we will be. We know that when He appears, we will be like Him, because we will see Him just as He is.

We will bear the _____ of the _____.

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