



Lesson #3: If a Man Die Will He Live Again? (Job 14:14)

God never bypasses the central processing unit that resides between our ears in order to lead us to _____. God wants us to think and reason. Asking questions and seeking answers is how we grow in grace. This evening I call your attention to a question that the ancient patriarchs asked that still plagues mankind in our day.

It was within the context of the abyss of human _____ that Job asked the question, "If a man dies will he live again?" There are many situations in life that will make a person ask such a question but you cannot go through life _____ on this issue! You need to have a solid answer. It was said of Socrates, the renowned Greek philosopher, that as he lay down to die he was asked by his friends, "Shall we live again?" The reply of the dying philosopher was, "I hope so, but no man can no."

In part, Socrates was right. Without the aid of the Holy Scriptures no man can no the answer to tonight's question. But as we read the Bible we become aware of several realities that lead us to an answer.

YOU MUST BE AWARE OF THE _____ OF LIFE (14:-1-9)

At the very beginning of this chapter our thoughts are directed to the subject of life.

A. Life is short in _____

How long will you live? There is really only one person who knows and that is _____. The term of man's life is so fixed, that he cannot die sooner, nor live longer than God has determined he should. When God requires of a man his soul, no one has the power to stay a moment longer.

B. Life is saturated in _____

The glimpses of your eventual and sure demise are seen in glimpses every day. In the trials and traumas of life let them remind you that life is short. The present life of man presents characteristics of _____ which indicate that this cannot be the complete view of life. There must be more to come. Are you ready?

YOU MUST BE AWARE OF THE _____ OF DEATH (14:10-12)

This is the reality of the human condition. We all _____.

A. Death is _____ in matter

At one point we will all breathe our last, we will lie down and never get up. Death has no _____. The most incontrovertible fact of life is that life will always end in death. Our forefather, Adam, fell in the garden and in that moment _____ was brought to us all (Romans 5:13).

B. Death is _____ in matter

Job's meditations on the briefness and frailness of life have brought him to an understanding of the _____ of death. The realization that the decisions he makes now are final once death comes knocking. "What I am when death is held before me, that I must be _____" (C.H. Spurgeon).

YOU MUST BE AWARE OF THE CERTAINTY OF LIFE _____ DEATH

Flash forward to the NT and we begin to get a glimpse of what will happen to us after death. In Luke 16:19-31 Jesus opens a window into eternity that we may better understand what happens after death.

A. A glimpse into the eternity of the _____ man

As we get a glimpse of this rich man who is now poor for eternity we get a better glimpse of what Hell is really like.

1. Hell is a place of _____
2. Hell is a place of _____

Hell is not the end. It is the beginning of an endless eternity where the lost experience a living _____ forever.

B. A glimpse into the eternity of the _____ man

It should be noted that both the poor man and the rich man had equal opportunities to be saved. But it was the poor man that chose to place his faith in God.

1. Heaven is a place of _____
2. Heaven is a place of _____

The tables have now turned. The poor have been made rich in heaven.

Concluding Thoughts

Thousands of years ago Job asks the question that Jesus would answer in the Gospels. "If a man die will he live again?" (Job 14:14). Jesus answers, _____! Providing He believes in me! "I am the resurrection, and the _____; he that believeth in me, though he were dead yet shall he _____" (John 11:25).