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1. Can loved ones see us in heaven?

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, Hebrews 12:1 (ESV)

2. Does it matter if I am cremated or buried?

And many of those <u>who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake</u>, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. Daniel 12:2 (ESV)

Behold! I tell you a mystery. <u>We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be</u> <u>changed</u>, 1 Corinthians 15:51 (ESV)

3. Will Christians who commit suicide be in heaven?

4. Is there an age of accountability below which someone automatically goes to heaven?

Behold, <u>I was brought forth in iniquity, and in sin did my mother conceive</u> <u>me</u>. Psalm 51:5 (ESV)

Yet you are he who took me from the womb; you made me trust you at my mother's breasts. On you was I cast from my birth, and from my mother's womb you have been my God. Psalm 22:9–10 (ESV)

<u>he will be filled with the Holy Spirit, even from his mother's womb</u>. Luke 1:15 (ESV)

And the king was deeply moved and went up to the chamber over the gate and wept. And as he went, he said, "<u>O my son Absalom, my son,</u> my son Absalom! Would I had died instead of you, O Absalom, my son, my son!" 2 Samuel 18:33 (ESV)

He said, "While the child was still alive, I fasted and wept, for I said, 'Who knows whether the Lord will be gracious to me, that the child may live?' <u>But now he is dead. Why should I fast? Can I bring him back again?</u> <u>I shall go to him, but he will not return to me.</u>" 2 Samuel 12:22–23 (ESV)

It is not that God chooses someone to salvation because they are going to die in infancy. Rather, He has ordained that only those who have been chosen for salvation will be allowed to die in infancy. God's justice in condemnation will be most clearly seen by allowing those who will not be saved to demonstrate their inherent sinfulness through willful, knowing transgression. - Charles Spurgeon

So <u>whoever knows the right thing to do and fails to do it, for him it is sin</u>. James 4:17 (ESV)

For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who by their unrighteousness suppress the truth. For what can be known about God is plain to them, because God has shown it to them. For his invisible attributes, namely, his eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, ever since the creation of the world, in the things that have been made. So they are without excuse. Romans 1:18–20 (ESV)

5. Should I trust near-death experiences?

And no wonder, for even <u>Satan disguises himself as an angel of light</u>. 2 Corinthians 11:14 (ESV)

But even if we or an angel from heaven should preach to you a gospel contrary to the one we preached to you, let him be accursed. As we have said before, so now I say again: If anyone is preaching to you a gospel contrary to the one you received, let him be accursed. Galatians 1:8–9 (ESV)

<u>it is appointed for man to die once</u>, and after that comes judgment, Hebrews 9:27 (ESV)

6. How can I desire heaven if I know I won't be married to my spouse?

And Jesus said to them, "<u>The sons of this age marry and are given in</u> marriage, but those who are considered worthy to attain to that age and to the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage, Luke 20:34–35 (ESV)

"Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh." <u>This mystery is profound, and</u> <u>I am saying that it refers to Christ and the church.</u> Ephesians 5:31–32 (ESV)



Answers To Your Questions Part 1

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