

The Gospel Herald

“As the truth is in Jesus” (Ephesians 4:21)

For The LORD’S PILGRIMS, STRANGERS & SOJOURNERS

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Death, The Chariot to Glory

“O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory”
(I Corin. 15:55)

“And deliver them who through **FEAR of death** were all their lifetime subject to bondage” (Hebrews 2:15).

Dear one’s blessed with the hope of sins forgiven and life everlasting, is it not a true fact that man by nature lives in fear of death all of their mortal lifetime? Prior to the visitation of grace upon the heart, mind and soul of the depraved sinner, death is one of the greatest subjects natural man wants to avoid. If you want to become an unpopular person among the worldlings of this earthen round, just start talking about death and see how fast the unregenerate wants to change the subject or exit your presence.

May I bring your attention to the inspired writings of the apostle Paul on the subject of “Life out of death” and the necessity of physical death to achieve everlasting life in a glorified body.

*The apostle begins by saying, “Thou fool, that which thou sowest is not quickened, except it **DIE**: And that which thou sowest, thou sowest not that body that shall be, but bare grain, it may chance of wheat, or of some other grain: But God giveth it a body as it hath pleased Him, and to every seed his own body. All flesh is not the same flesh: but there is one kind of flesh of men, another flesh of beast, another of fishes, and another of birds. There are also celestial bodies, and bodies terrestrial: but the glory of the celestial is one, and the glory of the terrestrial is another.*

*There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars: for one star differeth from another star in glory. **So, also, is the resurrection of the dead.** It is sown in corruption; it is **raised in incorruption**: It is sown in dishonour it is **raised in glory**; it is sown in weakness; it is **raised in power**: It is sown a natural body; it is **raised a spiritual body.***

(I Corin. 15: 36-44).

*What a glorious hope we have which have been chosen in Christ and made to believe in His so great salvation and redeeming deliverance. For Christ being the first fruits of all those which die that are born of His Spirit shall be raised with an immortal and incorruptible body likened unto his own glorified body. For we shall **be like Him.***

*This is a great mystery to the heirs of free and sovereign grace, yet we have been made to believe it by faith's supernatural vision. The very **substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen** (Heb.11:1). This gift of God and fruit of the Spirit is that which causes one to lay hold upon this blessed truth evidenced and promised by our Lord Jesus Christ. For just as He was raised on that third day so shall we be raised when the sound of the last trump shall make its divine blast and the graves of all mankind shall be opened as the souls/bodies are raised to their determined and predestined places. The non-elect to the great judgment throne of the Almighty to be instructed to **DEPART FROM THE PRESENCE OF THE LORD.***

*Whereas, the elect heirs of divine grace standing on the right hand of the Almighty and the Lamb, shall be told to **ENTER INTO THE GLORIES OF HEAVEN'S REALM AND THE JOYS OF LIFE EVERLASTING.***

*Yes, dear one's which suffer in these mortal frames with afflictions of the body, behold we shall only suffer for a short season compared to life everlasting awaiting us in immortal glory. For our Lord Jesus said, "I go to prepare a place for you, if these things were not so I would have told you, For in my Fathers house are many mansions." We have a home in glory awaiting us, and **DEATH is that chariot which shall carry us there.***

Respectfully submitted,

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