Physical Death: It's Not the End; It's the Beginning!

So many people have no hope of living forever. They don't even think about how wonderful it will be to live with their Heavenly Father and their Savior, Jesus forever and ever. They don't even think about their resurrected body that they will live in forever. That's why I'm writing this Newsletter to get you prepared for your life after physical death. It's going to be so awesome that you will have a hard time

Ephesians 3:20 KJV Now unto Him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us,

imagining it.

Our God is preparing things for us with which nothing in this world can compare. Let's look at some Scriptures that will give us a glance at our future.

2 Corinthians 5:6-8 KJV Therefore we are always confident, knowing that, whilst we are at home in the body, we are absent from the Lord: [7] (For we walk by faith, not by sight:) [8] We are confident, I say, and willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord.

Matthew 22:32 KJV I am the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob? God is not the God of the dead, but of the living.

Luke 16:19-31 KJV There was a certain rich man, which was clothed in purple and fine linen, and fared sumptuously every day: [20] And there was a certain beggar named Lazarus, which was laid at his gate, full of sores, [21] And desiring to be fed with the crumbs which fell from the rich man's table: moreover the dogs came and licked his sores. [22] And it came to pass, that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels into Abraham's bosom: the rich man also died, and was buried; [23] And in hell he lift up his eyes, being in torments, and seeth Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom. [24] And he cried and said, Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus, that he may dip the tip of his finger in water, and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame. [25] But Abraham said, Son, remember that thou in thy lifetime receivedst thy good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things: but now he is comforted, and thou art tormented. [26] And beside all this, between us and you there is a great gulf fixed: so that they which would pass from hence to you cannot; neither can they pass to us, that would come from thence. [27] Then he said, I pray thee therefore, father, that thou wouldest send him to my father's house: [28] For I have five brethren; that he may testify unto them, lest they also come into this place of torment. [29] Abraham saith unto him, They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them. [30] And he said, Nay, father Abraham: but if one went unto them from the dead, they will repent. [31] And he said unto him, If they hear not Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded, though one rose from the dead.

In this illustration, Jesus shows that people are alive after they have physically died; they don't cease to exist. They're just in spirit form waiting for the day that they will receive a new, resurrected body to live in.

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 TPT Beloved brothers and sisters, we want you to be quite certain about the truth concerning those who have passed away, so that you won't be overwhelmed with grief like many others who have no hope. [14] For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, we also believe that God will bring with Jesus those who died while believing in Him. [15] This is the Word of the Lord: we who are alive in Him and remain on earth when the Lord appears will by no means have an advantage over those who have already

died, for both will rise together. [16] For the Lord Himself will appear with the declaration of victory, the shout of an archangel, and the trumpet blast of God. He will descend from the heavenly realm and command those who are dead in Christ to rise first. [17] Then we who are alive will join them, transported together in clouds to have an encounter with the Lord in the air, and we will be forever joined with the Lord. [18] So encourage one another with these truths.

All of us that are still alive, and those who have left their bodies, will one day be reunited together with Jesus; and we live forever, together! Get ready, Saints of God!! We are now even closer to that day!

Love you, Pastor Paul

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This Week's Daily Bible Readings

Monday Jude chapter 1
Tuesday Revelation chapter 1
Wednesday Revelation chapter 2
Thursday Revelation chapter 3
Friday Revelation chapter 4
Saturday Revelation chapter 5
Sunday Revelation chapter 6

*Upcoming Events

- 1. Women's Dance Aerobics: 10-11am Mon Fri.
- 2. **Mobile Prayer:** Wednesdays <u>2-3:30pm</u> in our Lee-side parking lot;

Fridays 2-3:30pm Sam's Warehouse

- 3. **Noonday Bible Study:** In Sanctuary; live on KJRF 91.1fm; live stream on TCC app.12:15 Mon-Fri
- Youth Camp: <u>June 14-17</u>
 Kids' Camp: <u>June 22-25</u>

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**Here is a list of the many gatherings we have for you to get together and fellowship with your brothers and sisters. Please take advantage of them, and you will bless yourself and others also.

Sundays * Prayer: 9am Lee Blvd entrance * Fellowship in Café 9:15-9:45 am. * Services 10:45 am

Adult, Youth, and Children classes 9:45-10:30 am

Faith Class: -----Michael Whitley Foundation 1 Class: ---Pastor Paul Foundation 2 Class: ---Mike Wiggins

Healing Class: ------Lester/Monica Witherspoon Marriage Class:------Danny/Demetrice Williams

Prayer Class: -----Joe Cunningham

Children's Sunday School: 6 months - 5th grade Youth Services: -----Lucas/Cyndi Moore

Young Singles/College & Career —Eliav/Kim Nash

Daily * Early Morning Prayer in Sanctuary: Monday-Friday6:15-7:15am

* Noonday Bible Study: Mon-Fri 12:15 in Sanctuary or 91.1fm or live stream on

TCC app

* Women's Dance Aerobics: Mon-Fri 10-11am in the Gym

Weekly * Sunday Services: 9:45 am classes; 10:45am Main Service

* Wednesday night: Adult and Youth Services 7pm (Youth meet in Youth area)

* Mobile Prayer: Wed 2–3:30pm Lee Blvd parking lot; Fri 2–3:30pm Sam's

Warehouse

Monthly * Men's Meeting: 9am 1st Saturday of each month at Golden Corral

* Crosses at the Corner: 11am-1pm 1st and 3rd Saturdays corner of Sheridan and

Cache Rd.

* Women's Meeting: 9am 2nd Saturday of each month

* Women's Discipleship: 3rd Thursday of each month <u>5pm</u> in Sanctuary

* Horse Ministry: 10am-1pm 3rd Saturday of each month