

THE WALKING DEAD

Ephesians 2:1-10
Luke 9:60; 1 Tim 5:6; 1 Pet 4:6

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- The Biblical concept of death is basically the idea of SEPARATION.
- There are three different categories of death in the Bible:
Spiritual Death,
Physical Death, and
Second Death.

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Physical Death – Dead But Alive

Revelation 14:13 (NKJV)

¹³ Then I heard a voice from heaven saying to me, "Write: 'Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on.' " "Yes," says the Spirit, "that they may rest from their labors, and their works follow them."

Those physically dead but spiritually alive – "God is not the God of the dead, but the living" – Luke 20:35-38
1 Cor 15:14-19, 29-34;
Luke 16:25; John 8:52, 53;

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Physical Death – Dead & Dead

Proverbs 14:32 (NKJV)

³² The wicked is
banished in his
wickedness, But the
righteous has a
refuge in his death.

Those physically
dead & eternally
separated from
God –

Luke 16:22–31; 1 Pet
3:18–20; Mat 7:23;
25:41,46; Rev 21:8

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Alive & Alive

Romans 6:10–11 (NKJV)

¹⁰ For the death that He died, He died to sin once for all; but the life that He lives, He lives to God. ¹¹ Likewise you also, reckon yourselves to be dead indeed to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Those physically
alive &
spiritually alive –
Rom 6:3–6; (dead to
sin but alive to God –
Rom 6:11–13; 8:10,11;
Eph 2:1,5; Col 2:12,13

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Spiritual Death – Alive but Dead

Luke 15:23–24 (NKJV)

²³ And bring the fattened calf here and kill it, and let us eat and be merry;

²⁴ for this my son was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.' And they began to be merry.

Those physically
alive but
spiritually dead –

Let the dead bury their own
dead – Luke 9:60;

Dead while she lives – 1 Tim 5:6

Gospel preached to the dead –
1 Pet 4:6

Ephesians 2:1-10 (NKJV)

¹ And you He made alive, who were dead in trespasses and sins, ² in which you once walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit who now works in the sons of disobedience, ³ among whom also we all once conducted ourselves in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, just as the others.

Ephesians 2:1-10 (NKJV)

⁴ But God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, ⁵ even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), ⁶ and raised us up together, and made us sit together in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, ⁷ that in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.

Ephesians 2:1-10 (NKJV)

⁸ For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, ⁹ not of works, lest anyone should boast. ¹⁰ For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.

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Spiritual Death – Alive but Dead

Isaiah 59:1-2 (NKJV)

¹ Behold, the Lord's hand is not shortened, That it cannot save; Nor His ear heavy, That it cannot hear.

² But your iniquities have separated you from your God; And your sins have hidden His face from you, So that He will not hear.

- The alien sinner – Eph 2:12; Col 1:21
- The hypocrite – Mat 23:25-28
- The apostate – Luke 15:24; Gal 5:1-4; Heb 10:26-32
- The child of God who is inactive, apathetic – Jam 4:17; Rev 3:1,16,19

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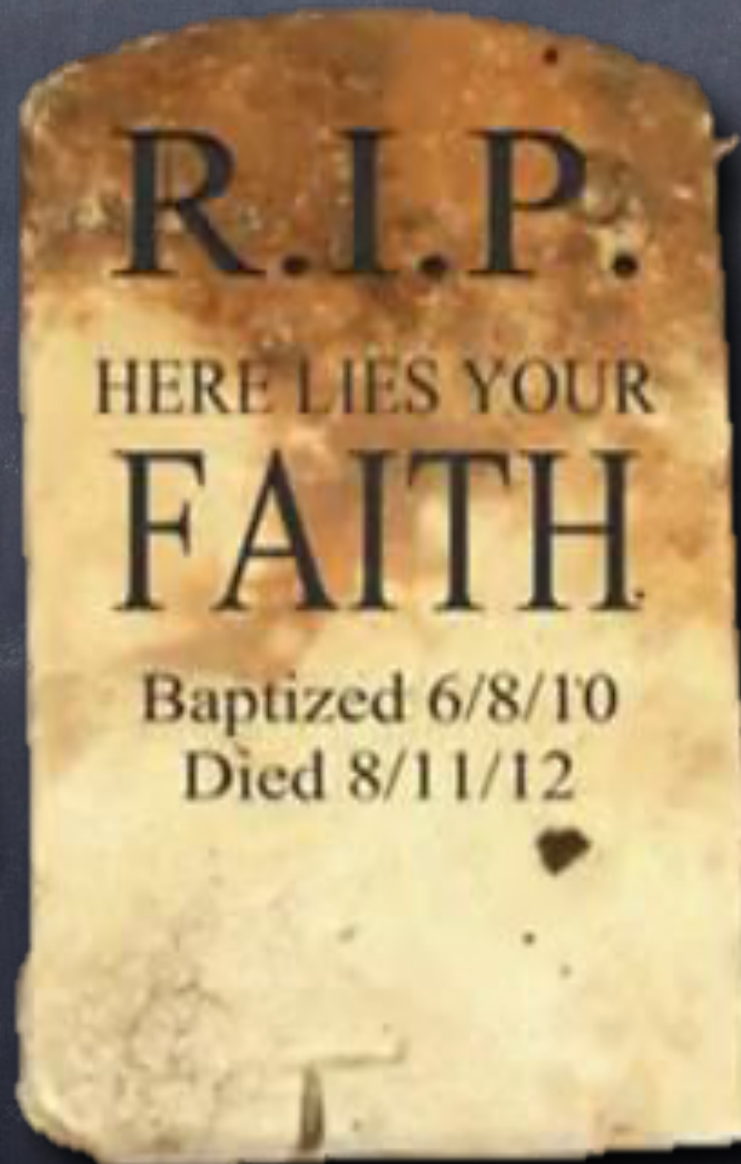
Spiritual Death – Killers . . .

Ignorance – Hos 4:6

Neglect – Heb 2:1–4

Apathy – Mat 12:30

Compromise – Eph 5:11



Error – Gal 1:6–9

Worldly – 2 Tim 4:10

Materialism – Lk 8:13

Pride – 1 Cor 5:6

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Spiritual Death – Symptoms

When Bible study doesn't interest you
– 2 Tim 2:15; Acts 17:11,12

Worldly things
attract you – James
4:4; 1 Jn 2:15–17



Frequently absent
from services – Heb
10:24,25

Inactive in worship/work of the church
– Ephesians 4:16; 1 Cor 12:12–28

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¹ There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus, who do not walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit. ² For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made me free from the law of sin and death. ... ⁵ For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit, the things of the Spirit. ⁶ For to be carnally minded is death, but to be spiritually minded is life and peace. ...

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¹⁰ And if Christ is in you, the body is dead because of sin, but the Spirit is life because of righteousness. ¹¹ But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you.

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Many Dead DO NOT Stay Dead

- **National Israel** – Ezekiel 37 – ⁷ ... there was a noise, and suddenly a rattling; and the bones came together, bone to bone. ⁸ Indeed, as I looked, the sinews and the flesh came upon them, and the skin covered them over; but there was no breath in them. . . . ¹⁰ So I prophesied as He commanded me, and breath came into them, and they lived, and stood upon their feet, an exceedingly great army.

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- The physical dead brought back to physical life (resuscitated) – Mat 9:24; 11:25; Luke 7:15,22; John 11:14–44
- Jesus brought back to life, (resurrected) – Mat 27; Acts 2:29–36; 3:15; 4:10; 13:30,34; 17:31; 26:23; 1 Cor. 15:20–21, 29; Eph 1:20; 1 Pet 1:3,21; Rev 1:18; 2:8

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All Men Will Be Raised

Mat 25:31; John 5:28; 1 Cor 15:20-22; Acts 23:6;
24:15,21; 2 Tim 4:1; 1 Pet 4:5; Rev 20:12,13

**All in Christ on
the last day**

1 Thes 4:13; Phili 3:11

**ALL NOT in
Christ on the last day**

– Mat 25:45,46; Rev 21:8;
2 Thes 1:7-9

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There can be no "Life" without



- **God** – Gen 1:27; 2:7; Ac 17:25–27
- **Jesus** – John 14:6; Acts 4:12
- **Grace** – Eph 2:8,9
- **Faith** – John 8:24; Heb 11:6
- **Repentance** – Luke 13:3
- **Confession** – Mat 10:32–33
- **Baptism** – Rom 6:3–6
- **Faithfulness** – Rev 2:10

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The multitudes, the crowds of people
Nameless sea of humanity
Undone by sin, the walking dead
The heart of Jesus longs for these

Deceived and loving their deception
Plunging deeper into sin
They think not that the Lord is watching
They feel no need to repent

Death approaches yet they mock
No fear of God before their eyes
But judgment waits beyond this life
Before the Christ they have despised

As I look into each face
Their countenance shows forth no life
And my heart breaks, they are so lost
And yet they see no need for Christ

My heart is deeply stirred within me
I can sit no longer idly by
As precious souls that Jesus loves
Are doomed to the eternal fires

So let me be an instrument
A vessel for the Masters use
A life surrendered to His plans
To be used as He would choose

Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying: "Whom shall I send, And who will go for Us?" Then I said, "Here am I! Send me." Isaiah 6:8

ROMANS 7:7-12 (NKJV)

⁷ What shall we say then? *Is the law sin?* Certainly not! On the contrary, I would not have known sin except through the law. For I would not have known covetousness unless the law had said, “*You shall not covet.*”⁸ But sin, taking opportunity by the commandment, produced in me all *manner of evil* desire. For apart from the law sin *was* dead.



ROMANS 7:7-12 (NKJV)

⁹ I was alive once without the law, but when the commandment came, sin revived and I died. ¹⁰ And the commandment, which *was* to *bring* life, I found to *bring* death. ¹¹ For sin, taking occasion by the commandment, deceived me, and by it killed *me*. ¹² Therefore the law *is* holy, and the commandment holy and just and good.

