

## What Happens After Death? Ecclesiastes 9:1-12

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*Read Ecclesiastes 9:1-12 and pray that God would give you spiritual insight.*

1. Why do you think death exists in this world? Would you say it is a good or a bad thing?
2. Why does the Teacher declare everything is meaningless (=vanity or futility) in Chapter 1:2? It might be helpful to read 1:14 as well.
3. What are the ten things the Teacher calls meaningless? Look up these passages: 2:14-16; 18-23; 26; 3:18-22; 4:4; 4:7-8; 4:16; 5:10; 6:1-2; 8:10-14.
4. In chapter 9, the Teacher shows how death declares meaningless the endeavour of man. Which are the aspects he highlights in vv. 2-3; v. 10; v. 12?
5. Why is death a problem from the perspective of the Bible? Take a look at 1 Corinthians 15:56. How is this problem fixed?
6. What does the Bible say about hell? Take a look at the following passages: Luke 16:23; Mark 9:43; v.48; 13:42; Matthew 25:30; Revelation 20:14. For whom is this reserved? Take a look at John 3:18.
7. In what way is the death and resurrection of Jesus the ultimate answer to death? Take a look at the following passages: Romans 6:9; 14:9; Colossians 1:18; 2 Timothy 1:10.
8. How should you prepare for your own death (even if you are young) according to these passages: Hebrews 9:27 and Luke 12:16-20?
9. How should we respond to the death of loved ones according to 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 and Romans 12:15?
10. If you have believed in Jesus unto salvation, what awaits you after death (2 Corinthians 5:8; John 11:25-26; 1 Corinthians 15:52-54)?
11. If you could enjoy all the blessings of heaven without Christ, would you want it or not? Perhaps take a look at John 17:3.