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Psalm 90:10, “*The days of our years are threescore years and ten; and if by reason of strength they be fourscore years, yet is their strength labour and sorrow; for it is soon cut off, and we fly away.*”

We know our maximum time we have in life. We know from the above verse that the average life is 70 to 80 years. The Psalmist wrote how that ours days are 70 years, and perhaps 80 by strength. Many live much longer, but very few go past 100. Many die much younger.

I remember thinking on my 35<sup>th</sup> birthday that according to the above passage, I was about half-way through life. Of course I could have been nearly finished with my life, or not quite half way. There is no doubt that I am now well over half-way through life. With each passing hour, I am one hour closer to the day I leave this life.

For the world, this is a sad subject, and one that many people simply avoid talking about. For those in the LORD, death is a wonderful time. It's when we go to be with the LORD.

There is much in the Bible that lets us know what happens after we

die. In Luke 16 the rich man died and we are told in hell he lifted up his eyes, being in torments. He did not end up lost because he was rich. He died this way because of sins and not properly using his wealth.

In contrast, when Lazarus died, we are told that the angels carried him to Abraham's bosom and that he was comforted. When we die, we will instantly be in our eternal state. The way we live determines that state.

This passage also lets us know that we cannot pass from hell to Heaven or vice versa. We know that once we are saved in Heaven, we will forever be there.

On the cross Jesus said to the penitent thief in Luke 23:43, “*And Jesus said unto him, Verily I say unto thee, To day shalt thou be with me in paradise.*” The day of this man's public execution became the best day of his life. He had earlier with the other thief spoke unkind things to Jesus. We are told both thieves did this. Matthew 27:43-44, “<sup>43</sup>*He trusted in God; let him deliver him now, if he will have him: for he said, I am the Son of God.* <sup>44</sup>*The thieves also, which were crucified with him, cast the same in his teeth.*”

The one thief truly repented. He turned to the LORD and asked the LORD to remember him when He came in His kingdom. Jesus as well as that thief were both going to die that day. Jesus told him today thou shalt be with me in paradise. There was no delay. There was no wait. He would be with Jesus. No longer would he be with Jesus on the cross, but with Him in paradise.

When Steven was being stoned to death, we are told in Acts 7:55-56, “<sup>55</sup>*But he, being full of the Holy Ghost, looked up stedfastly into heaven, and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing on the right hand of God,* <sup>56</sup>*And said, Behold, I see the heavens opened, and*

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# News

—Continue to remember **Jean Coffey, Alice Thrasher, Steve Seaton, Brad Terry, Shirley Parson, and Erin Davis. Breanna Riffle** had surgery to remove all four wisdom teeth. All went well. **Leon Seaton**, the father of Steve Seaton has lung cancer. It has spread to his bones and liver.

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*the Son of man standing on the right hand of God.”* Steven looked into Heaven and saw Jesus standing on the right hand of God. Every other time in the Bible that Jesus is mentioned on the right hand of God, He is seated. It’s as though Jesus was standing up and waiting for Steven.

Can you think of a more pleasant site to behold as we are departing this life? What a blessed thought to look and for the first time ever to actually see Jesus and He is standing there waiting to welcome us into Heaven.

Paul wrote in I Thessalonians 4:17, *“Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.”* He was talking about what would happen when the LORD returns. Whether we die before the LORD returns, or are living when He returns, we will go to be with Him. We are not simply going to be with the LORD. We are going to ever be with Him. It never ends. What a wonderful and comforting thought.

Revelation 14:13, *“And I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Write, Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours; and their works do follow them.”* The world would in no way think of dying as a blessed event. For those of us in the LORD, it is. It’s when we finally get to go home to ever be with the LORD.

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Sunday, August 12, 2018		
Classes	11	Hebrews 2:1-8
Preaching	20	Ephesians 6:10-18
Contribution	\$741.00	
Evening	18	Zechariah 12:1-13:9
Wednesday, August 15, 2018		
Classes	28	I Chronicles 6:1-81

## Bible Quiz

Jerusalem would be made a burdensome what for all people?

Last Week’s Answer— Because their cattle were multiplies (I Chronicles 5:8-9)

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No matter how long you live, if you die in the LORD, then your time here has been well spent. Live every day in such a way that when you do depart this life, you’ll go to be with the LORD— forever.

—Marty Edwards❖

## —God’s Plan of Salvation—

1. Hear the Gospel (Romans 10:14)
2. Believe on the Lord and His Word (Mark 16:16; John 8:24)
3. Repent of your sins (Luke 13:3,5; Acts 17:30)
4. Confess Christ (Matthew 10:32,33; Luke 12:8; Romans 10:9)
5. Be baptized (immersed in water) for the remission of sins (Acts 2:38; Mark 16:16; Galatians 3:27; I Peter 3:21)
6. Live a faithful, dedicated life (Revelation 2:10; II Peter 1:5-10)