

The State of the Dead

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The natural immortality of the soul is the belief that when a person dies his soul (mind) goes on living in a

conscious state. In contrast, the Bible teaches that a person is *unconscious* after death until the resurrection, either in the first, the second, or the special resurrections. Ecclesiastes 9:4-6, "For to him that is joined to all the living there is hope: for a living dog is better than a dead lion. For the living know that they shall die: but the dead know not any thing, neither have they any more a reward; for the memory mind of them is forgotten unconscious. Also their love, and their hatred, and their envy, is now perished; neither have they any more a portion for ever in any thing that is done under the sun." Isaiah 38:18,19, "For the grave cannot praise thee, death can not celebrate thee: they that go down into the pit cannot hope for thy truth. The living, the living, he shall praise thee, as I do this day: the father to the children shall make known thy truth." Acts 2:29, 34, "Men and brethren, let me freely speak unto you of the patriarch David, that he is both dead and buried, and his sepulchre is with us unto this day." "For David is not ascended into the heavens." The belief that the mind remains conscious after death opens people up to the wiles of the devil who can reproduce all the mannerisms of those who have died, appearing to loved ones as if they are those who have died, and giving false reports of what goes on in "heaven". They are, in reality, demons. This is the essence of spiritualism.

Job {7:9} As the cloud is consumed and vanisheth away: so he that goeth down to the grave shall come up no more. {7:10} He shall return no more to his house, neither shall his place know him any more.

Psalm {30:9} What profit is there in my blood, when I go down to the pit? Shall the dust praise thee? shall it declare thy truth?

Ecclesiastes {9:4} For to him that is joined to all the living there is hope: for a living dog is better than a dead lion. **{9:5} For the living know that they shall die: but the dead know not any thing, neither have they any more a reward; for the memory of them is forgotten. {9:6} Also their love, and their hatred, and their envy, is now perished; neither have they any more a portion for ever in any thing that is done under the sun.**

Acts {2:27} Because thou wilt not leave my soul in hell, neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption. {2:28} Thou hast made known to me the ways of life; thou shalt make me full of joy with thy countenance. **{2:29} Men and brethren, let me freely speak unto you of the patriarch David, that he is both dead and buried, and his sepulchre is with us unto this day. {2:30} Therefore being a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him, that of the fruit of his loins, according to the flesh, he would raise up Christ to sit on his throne; {2:31} He seeing this before spake of the resurrection of Christ, that his soul was not left in hell, neither his flesh did see corruption. {2:32} This Jesus hath God raised up, whereof we all are witnesses. {2:33} Therefore being by the right hand of God exalted, and having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Ghost, he hath shed forth this, which ye now see and hear. {2:34} For David is not ascended into the heavens:**

Psalm {146:2} While I live will I praise the LORD: I will sing praises unto my God while I have any being. {146:3} Put not your trust in princes, nor in the son of man, in whom there is no help. **{146:4} His breath goeth forth, he returneth to his earth; in that very day his thoughts perish.**

Psalm {115:17} The dead praise not the LORD, neither any that go down into silence.

{14:10} But man dieth, and wasteth away: yea, man giveth up the ghost, and where is he? {14:11} As the waters fail from the sea, and the flood decayeth and drieth up: **{14:12} So man lieth down, and riseth not: till the heavens be no more, they shall not awake, nor be raised out of their sleep.** {14:13} Oh that thou wouldest hide me in the grave, that thou wouldest keep me secret, until thy wrath be past, that thou wouldest appoint me a set time, and remember me! **{14:14} If a man die, shall he live again? all the days of my appointed time will I wait, till my change come.** {14:15} Thou shalt call, and I will answer thee: thou wilt have a desire to the work of thine hands. {14:16} For now thou numberest my steps: dost thou not watch over my sin? {14:17} My transgression is sealed up in a bag, and thou sewest up mine iniquity. {14:18} And surely the mountain falling cometh to nought, and the rock is removed out of his place. {14:19} The waters wear the stones: thou wastest away the things which grow out of the dust of the earth; and thou destroyest the hope of man. {14:20} Thou prevailest for ever against him, and he passeth: thou changest his countenance, and sendest him away. **{14:21} His sons come to honour, and he knoweth it not; and they are brought low, but he perceiveth it not of them.**

Isaiah {38:17} Behold, for peace I had great bitterness: but thou hast in love to my soul delivered it from the pit of corruption: for thou hast cast all my sins behind thy back. **{38:18} For the grave cannot praise thee, death can not celebrate thee: they that go down into the pit cannot hope for thy truth.** {38:19} The living, the living, he shall praise thee, as I do this day: the father to the children shall make known thy truth.