



*Welcome to Rehoboth
New Life Center
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HEAVEN

Part 2: My Change

Ecclesiastes 12:7 Then shall the dust return to the earth as it was: and the spirit shall return unto God who gave it.

Citizenship is in heaven



- Philippians 3:20 For our conversation (**Citizenship**) is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ:
- 21 Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself.
- Hebrews 13:14 For here have we no continuing city, but we seek one to come.

Joseph & Jacob Return Home



- Hebrews 11:22 By faith Joseph, when he died, made mention of the departing of the children of Israel; and gave commandment concerning his bones.
- Genesis 50:12 And his sons did unto him according as he commanded them:
- 13 For his sons carried him into the land of Canaan, and buried him in the cave of the field of Machpelah, which Abraham bought with the field for a possession of a burying place of Ephron the Hittite, before Mamre.

We do not get entangled

No one serving as a soldier gets entangled in civilian affairs, but rather tries to please his commanding officer.

~ 2 Timothy 2:4 NIV

- 2 Timothy 2:1 ¶Thou therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus.
- 2 And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also.
- 3 Thou therefore endure hardness, as a good soldier of Jesus Christ.
- 4 No man that warreth entangleth himself with the affairs of this life; that he may please him who hath chosen him to be a soldier.

What Happens When A Believer Dies



2 Corinthians 5:1 For we know that if the earthly tent [our physical body] which is our house is torn down [through death], we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. 2 For indeed in this house we groan, longing to be clothed with our [immortal, eternal] celestial dwelling, **(AMPLIFIED VERSION)**

On the Journey, You Need A Tent!



- 2 Corinthians 4:7 But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us.
- 4 For while we are in this tent, we groan, being burdened [often weighed down, oppressed], not that we want to be unclothed [separated by death from the body], but to be clothed, so that what is mortal [the body] will be swallowed up by life [after the resurrection]. 5 Now He who has made us and prepared us for this very purpose is God, who gave us the [Holy] Spirit as a pledge [a guarantee, a down payment on the fulfillment of His promise]. **(AMPLIFIED VERSION)**

But When You Arrive, You Get The House



- 2 Corinthians 6 So then, being always filled with good courage and confident hope, and knowing that while we are at home in the body we are absent from the Lord— 7 for we walk by faith, not by sight [living our lives in a manner consistent with our confident belief in God's promises]

The Body Sleeps, But The Soul Goes To God

Ecclesiastes 12:7

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- 1 Corinthians 15:16 For if the dead rise not, then is not Christ raised:
- 17 And if Christ be not raised, your faith is vain; ye are yet in your sins.
- 18 Then they also which are fallen asleep in Christ are perished.
- 19 If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men most miserable.
- 20 ¶ But now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the **firstfruits of them that slept**.
- 1 Thessalonians 4:13 ¶ But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them **which are asleep**, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope.
- 1 Thessalonians 4:15 For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them **which are asleep**.
- 2 Peter 3:4 And saying, Where is the promise of his coming? for since the fathers fell

Your Soul Is Escorted



- Luke 16:22 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;
- Hebrews 1:14 Are they not all ministering spirits, sent forth to **minister (Serve)** for them who shall be heirs of salvation?
- Mark 13:27 And then shall he **send his angels**, and **shall gather together his elect** from the four winds, from the uttermost part of the earth to the uttermost part of heaven.

Escorted By Angels



Genesis 19:1 ¶And there came two angels to Sodom at even; and Lot sat in the gate of Sodom: and Lot seeing them rose up to meet them; and he bowed himself with his face toward the ground;

Genesis 19:15 ¶And when the morning arose, then the angels hastened Lot, saying, Arise, take thy wife, and thy two daughters, which are here; lest thou be consumed in the iniquity of the city.

16 And while he lingered, the men laid hold upon his hand, and upon the hand of his wife, and upon the hand of his two daughters; the LORD being merciful unto him: and they brought him forth, and set him without the city.

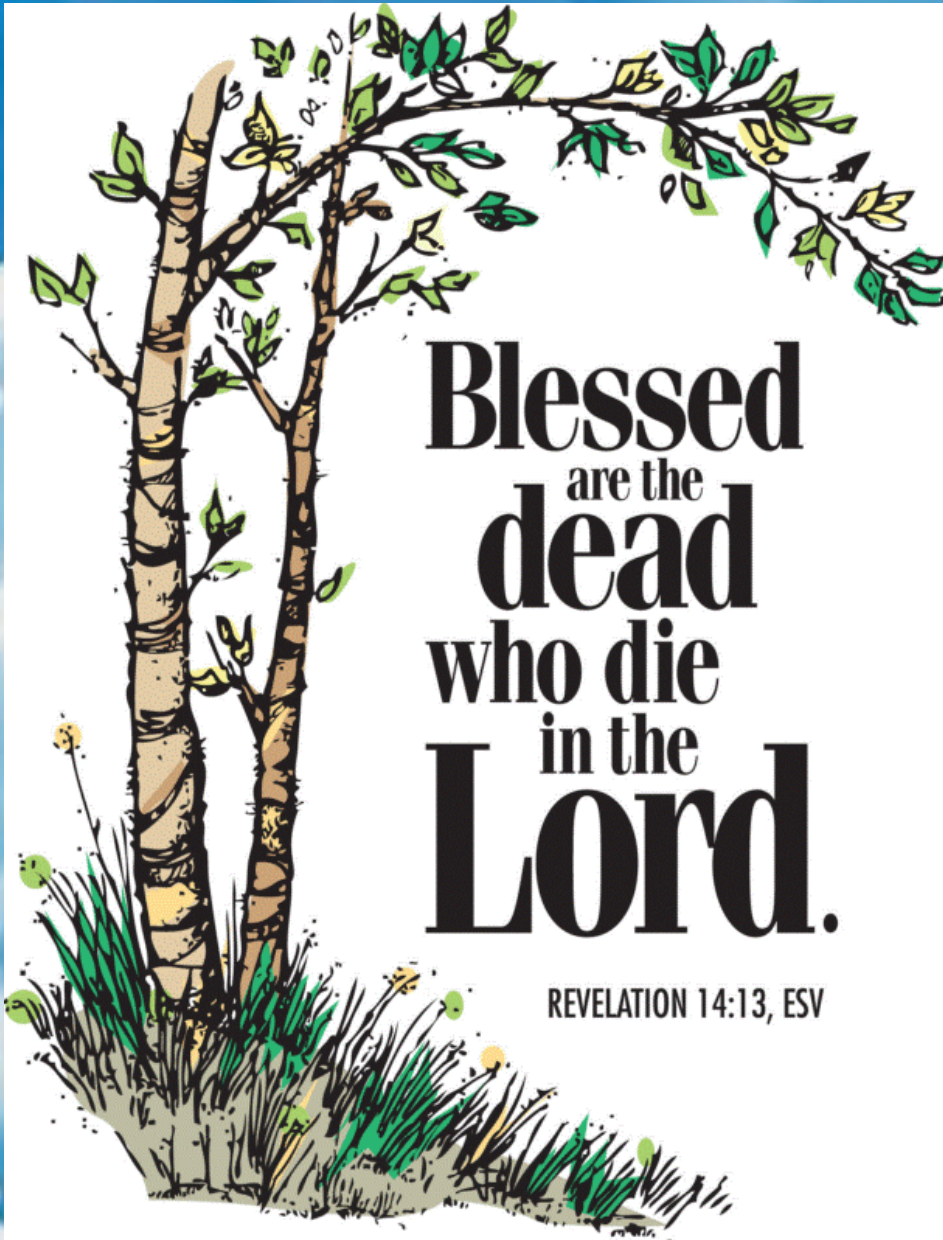
17 And it came to pass, when they had brought them forth abroad, that he said, Escape for thy life; look not behind thee, neither stay thou in all the plain; escape to the mountain, lest thou be consumed.

Appearing By The Altar



- Revelation 6:9 ¶And when he had opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of them that were slain for the word of God, and for the testimony which they held:
- 10 And they cried with a loud voice, saying, How long, O Lord, holy and true, dost thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth?
- 11 And white robes were given unto every one of them; and it was said unto them, that they should rest yet for a little season, until their fellowservants also and their brethren, that should be killed as they were, should be fulfilled.

You Rest from your labors



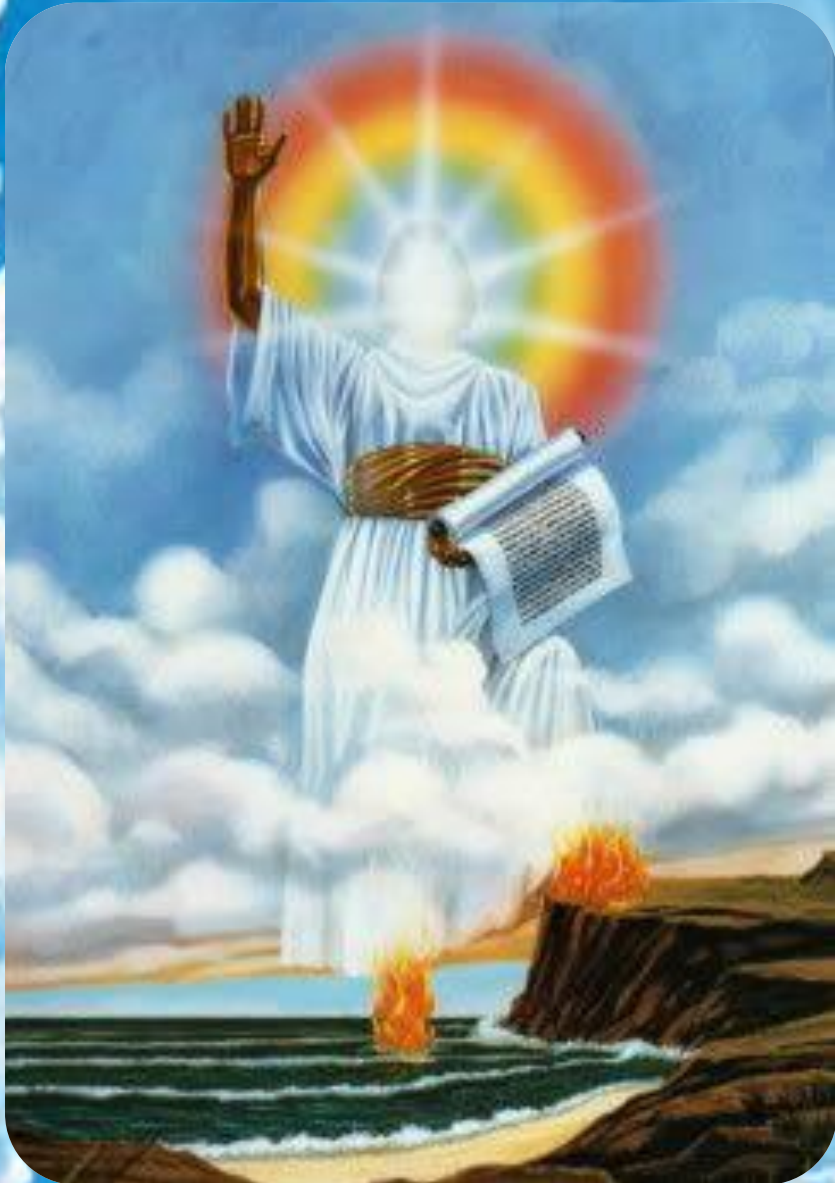
- Revelation 14:12 Here is the patience of the saints: here are they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus.
- 13 ¶ And I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Write, Blessed are the dead **which die in the Lord** from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may **rest from their labours**; and their works do follow them.

You Are Present with God



- 1 Corinthians 5:3 For I verily, as absent in body, but present in spirit, have judged already, as though I were present, concerning him that hath so done this deed,
- 2 Corinthians 5:6 Therefore we are always confident, knowing that, whilst we are at home in the body, we are absent from the Lord:
- 2 Corinthians 5:8 We are confident, I say, and willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord.

We Will Understand More



- Revelation 10:5 And the angel which I saw stand upon the sea and upon the earth lifted up his hand to heaven,
- 6 And sware by him that liveth for ever and ever, who created heaven, and the things that therein are, and the earth, and the things that therein are, and the sea, and the things which are therein, that there should be time no longer:
- 7 But in the days of the voice of the seventh angel, when he shall begin to sound, the mystery of God should be finished, as he hath declared to his servants the prophets.
- 1 Corinthians 13:12 For now we see through a glass, darkly; but then face to face: now I know in part; but then shall I know even as also I am known.

We Are Welcomed home

2 Timothy 4:7

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the faith.***

- Matthew 25:23 His lord said unto him, Well done, good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord.
- 2 Timothy 4:7 I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith:
- 8 Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing.