

Covenant Class

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Setting

Dying well begins with living well. Living well begins with the confidence of eternal life.

I John 5:11-14

My life from beginning to end is and always has been and always will be in His hands.

Before I was born – Ephesians 1:3

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ,

During my days – John 10:27-29

My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me; 28 and I give eternal life to them, and they will never perish; and no one will snatch them out of My hand. 29 My Father, who has given them to Me, is greater than all; and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand.

After my earth suit dies – II Timothy 4:18

The Lord will rescue me from every evil deed, and will bring me safely to His heavenly kingdom; to Him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Therefore:

I can prepare with eager confidence for the transitions of life because:

I can rest in the knowledge that I am God's beloved son or daughter. Colossians 3:12

I can reframe the fear of the unknown. John 14:2-3

So in thinking ahead about the time of my transition:

- It is a time to offer blessings and forgiveness.

Hebrews 11:21, Ecclesiastes 3:1, Matthew 6:12

- It is a time to ask God for one more task.
Joshua 14:6-12, Psalm 71:9, 18, Psalm 78:4-7, II Peter 1:12-14

- It is a time to recall and reflect on all the good I have received.
Ecclesiastes 5:18-20, Psalm 77:11-13

- It is a time to set affairs in order.
 - Pass on what is important. I Kings 2:5-9

 - Will your money count for the kingdom of God? Is the kingdom in your will, estate plan, how much in taxes will you leave to the government? Do you need to leave it all to your children?
Matthew 6:19-21, Luke 12:20-21

- It is a time to grow in faith. It is important for men to die once and after that the judgement.
Ecclesiastes 8:8, Hebrews 9:27

- It is a time to review and meditate on the promises of God.
 - We will go to our father in peace. Genesis 15:15

 - We go to find fullness of joy. Psalm 16:11

 - We will wake up satisfied. Psalm 17:15

 - We will go into the Father's arms to receive our glory. Psalm 73:24

 - We will feel safe as we leave this earth. II Timothy 4:18

 - We will enter with an awareness of abundant blessing II Peter 1:11