

## **Bible Summary**

Ecclesiastes 9:1-6

Death's End

Ecclesiastes presents death in an agnostic light. The author, throughout portions of his book, is unsure if the spirit of man goes up while the spirit of the beast goes down (Eccl. 3:21). He hints at the predominate view today called naturalism. The idea that when we die that is the end. Investigating the rest of Scripture presents a different and hopeful view that enables believers to have a strength that can overcome suffering, death and evil.

Scriptures: Ecclesiastes 3:19-21, 5:14-16, 6:12, 7:2, 8:7-8, 9:1-6; Genesis 2:7, 15-17; Luke 12:4, 2 Corinthians 5:8, 4:16-17; Philippians 1:19-25; Ephesians 2:1, Revelation 6:1-2, 12:11, 21:1-4; 1 Corinthians 15:54-57; 2 Timothy 1:7; Isaiah 26:19

## **Bible Questions & Application**

(These are meant to aid in facilitating conversation.

There is no obligation to run through **every** listed question.)

1. How did Sunday's teaching challenge your thinking?
2. Why do humans fear death?
3. How is a person's view of death influence the way a person lives?
4. What is the problem with the naturalistic view of death?
5. Do you agree with Matt's statement that nobody actually believes in naturalism? Why or why not?
6. How did Christ and His work on the cross change our relationship with death?
7. How can we rise up and become sacrificial heroes who are victorious in life?