



Pastor Paul's Newsletter 10-18-26
Do We Really Believe We Could Never See Death?

Jesus talked about a promise that our modern-day Church is not believing for completely. Jesus said that there would be a generation of people that would be alive on planet Earth that wouldn't die physically before Jesus came back. In this Newsletter I'm going to try to show you that we probably are that group of people that Jesus was talking about, because all the signs of His return that He promised has now come into manifestation in our generation. To me it's the most exciting promise that has ever been made to the church, but it's been the least believed for. In fact, most of your born-again Christians today are just looking forward to dying and going to Heaven. They believe that their loved ones that are still alive will have to go to their funeral service and grieve over their physical death. The Bible speaks plainly that there will be a generation of people alive on planet Earth that will not die. So let's look at some of these Scriptures.

1 Thessalonians 4:14-18 KJV For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with Him. [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. [16] For the Lord Himself shall descend from Heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: [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. [18] Wherefore comfort one another with these words.

Matthew 24:14,32-34 KJV And this Gospel of the Kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come.

[32] Now learn a parable of the fig tree; When his branch is yet tender, and putteth forth leaves, ye know that summer is nigh: [33] So likewise ye, when ye shall see all these things, know that it is near, even at the doors. [34] Verily I say unto you, This generation shall not pass, till all these things be fulfilled.

Matthew 24:37-39 KJV But as the days of Noe were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. [38] For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noe entered into the ark, [39] And knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

1 Corinthians 15:51-57 MSG But let me tell you something wonderful, a mystery I'll probably never fully understand.

We're not all going to die—but we are all going to be changed. You hear a blast to end all blasts from a trumpet, and in the time that you look up and blink your eyes—it's over. On signal from that trumpet from Heaven, the dead will be up and out of their graves, beyond the reach of death, never to die again. At the same moment and in the same way, we'll all be changed. In the resurrection scheme of things, this has to happen: everything perishable taken off the shelves and replaced by the imperishable, this mortal replaced by the immortal. Then the saying will come true: Death swallowed by triumphant Life! Who got the last word, oh, Death? Oh, Death, who's afraid of you now? It was sin that made death so frightening and law-code guilt that gave sin its leverage, its destructive power. But now in a single victorious stroke of Life, all three—sin, guilt, death—are gone, the gift of our Master, Jesus Christ. Thank God

This is a type of the Church's resurrection at the end.

Hebrews 11:5-6 KJV By faith Enoch was translated that he should not see death; and was not found, because God had translated him: for before his translation he had this testimony, that he pleased God. [6] But without faith it is impossible to please Him: for he that cometh to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of them that diligently seek Him.

Love you,
Pastor Paul

This Week's Daily Bible Readings

Monday	2 Samuel 14
Tuesday	2 Samuel 15
Wednesday	2 Samuel 16
Thursday	2 Samuel 17
Friday	2 Samuel 18
Saturday	2 Samuel 19
Sunday	2 Samuel 20

STAY CONNECTED

- WOW Conference coming up October 30-31. Cost is \$40; \$30 for first timer, and \$20 for Youth 13-16. No one under 13.
- The Christian Center app:
<https://subsplash.com/thechristiancenter/app>
- If you need prayer, call our Prayer Line 580-704-0505

REGULAR ACTIVITIES

Daily

- Early Morning Prayer: Sanctuary M-F 6:15-7:15am
- Women's Walk and Talk: Gym 10-11am M-W-F
- Noonday Bible Study: M-F 12:15 in Sanctuary or live stream on TCC app, or tune into one of our three radio stations: 91.1fm Lawton; 91.9fm McAlester; 95.9fm Woodward

Weekly

- Sunday Services: 9:45am classes; 10:45am Main Service
- Monday Night Care Group: Under balcony 7pm
- Wednesday Night Prayer: 6pm in NW Classroom
- Wednesday Night: 7pm Adult & Youth Services, and Children's Church
- MobilePrayer: Fri 2-3:30pm Hobby Lobby parking lot
- Friday Night Prayer: 7pm in NE 'Healing' classroom

Monthly

- Men's Fellowship: 1st Sat. 9am at Golden Corral
- Crosses at the Corner: 1st Sat. 11am-1pm corner Sheridan/Cache Rd.
- Women's Fellowship: 3rd Sat. 9am Golden Corral
- Relationship Class: 4th Sat. 10am-12 Fellowship Hall