

Lessons for Living

**“We are confident...and willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord.”
(II Corinthians 5:8)**

Death is a fearful thing for many people. Therefore, many do everything they can to avoid it. Some would willingly spend great sums of money if doing that could buy them extra time on earth. For the believer, however, death is not to be feared. That does not mean we should seek death nor does it mean we will not seek medical treatment in time of illness. But we do have the assurance that when believers die, they enter into the presence of the Lord. Death is the door by which we leave this life and enter into the presence of Jesus. That makes death wonderful for the believer and gives hope and comfort for the believer's loved ones. We have either this endless hope or a hopeless end. Which do you have?

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