

Voices From The Dead

Hebrews 11:1-4

The Voice Of Samuel 1 Samuel 28:3-19

- ▣ The certainty of death. *"Thou and thy sons shall be with me" verse 19. cf. Hebrews 9:27; Ecclesiastes 9:5*

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- ▣ The proximity of death. *"Tomorrow." verse 19; cf. 1 Peter 1:24*

Life is brief.

James 4:14 "What is your life? for ye are as a vapor that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away."

Job 14:1-2 "Man that is born of a woman is of few days and full of trouble, he cometh forth like a flower and is cut down: He fleeth also as a shadow, and continueth not."

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Life is brief.

Psalms 90:10 "The days of our years are three score and ten, or even by reason of strength fourscore years: yet is their pride but labor and sorrows, for it is soon gone, and we fly away" Verse 12 "Teach us to number our days that we may get us a heart of wisdom."

The Voice Of The Rich Man Luke 16:19-28

- ▣ Death is not the end. *"In Hades he lifted up his eyes."*
 - There is a conscious existence after the death of the body, and he answers most affirmatively the question of Job. 14:14 *"If a man die shall he live again?"*
- ▣ The horribleness of the punishment of the wicked, *"Being in Torments."*
 - cf. Matthew 8:12; Mark 9:48; 2 Thessalonians 1:7-9; cf. Romans 11:22; 2 Corinthians 5:11.

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There is an appointed time for judgment.

Acts 17:31 "Inasmuch as he hath appointed a day in which he will judge the world in righteousness by the man whom he hath ordained; whereof he hath given assurance unto all men, in that he hath raised him from the dead."

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Romans 14:12 "So then each one of us shall give account of himself to God."

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- ▣ The warning to all is to avoid hell. *"Lest they also come into this place of torment."*
 - The Bible is filled with such warnings. Matthew 7:13ff; Ezekiel 18:30-32; Amos 4:12.
 - To those who are headed for the same place, the rich man says, "Don't come here!!!"

The Voice Of Abel Hebrews 11:4

- ▣ The necessity of preparation for death.
 - The necessity of faith. *"By Faith."* Heb. 11:1,6; John 8:24; Acts 16:31; 2 Corinthians 5:7
 - The meaning of faith. *"By faith Abel offered..."*
- ▣ Acceptable faith is obedient faith.
 - Noah prepared an ark; Hebrews 11:7ff
 - Abraham obeyed; and offered. Hebrews 11:17
- ▣ Abel says, "Put your faith into action and obey God." James 2:24

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- ▣ The reward of faith. *"Witness borne to him that he was righteous."*
 - An obedient faith is reckoned for righteousness. James 2:23
 - An obedient faith unites with Christ. Galatians 3:26ff, and a life of faith will lead to heaven. Revelation 2:10
 - Abel says, "Faith has its rewards... Trust and Obey"

Conclusion:

- ▣ Hear the voice of Samuel: The certainty of death.
- ▣ Hear the voice of the Rich man: The certainty of life after death.
- ▣ Hear the voice of Abel: The necessity of preparation for death.