<u>Series</u>: YAFI 2022 <u>Title</u>: What Happens When I Die? <u>Text</u>: (Ecc 7:1-3)

Are you Saved? *NO*? (John 3:16-18) As Christians: - 3 Ways to Look at Death I. The Downside View: Earthly View of it. Death is Unavoidable: (1 Cor 15:22a)(Ecc 8:8) All Mankind Must Face It: (Jam 4:14)(Rom 5:12) Death is Up to God: As to When it Happens: (Job 7:1)(1 Sam 2:6) Death Is Unsearchable: (2 Cor 12:2-4)(1 Cor 2:9)(1 Jn 3:2)(Job 14:14) Death is Unraveling/Uncoupling/Uprooting: (Gen 25:8)(Gen 35:29) Death is the spirit of man leaving his body: (Ecc 12:7) Death is like exiting a tent: (2 Pet 1:14) Physical Death the body returns to dust: (Gen 3:19) Death is an Undoing: All of our work ceases: (Ecc 2:14-18)

II. <u>**The Inside View:**</u> How We feel about it Personally. Solomon Had a Very Dismal View of Life (Ecc 7:1-3)

Because of his sin: (Ecc 2:17) Because He lived for pleasure like the fool: (Ecc 2:1-11) Because He ends up at the same place as the fool: (Ecc 2:13-16)

Because your fellowship with God affects our view of death: (Ecc 7:1) (Ecc 7:2-3)

In the Bible there're 2 types of christian who sought death

<u>As an Escape from Misery</u>: Solomon was Disgusted: (Ecc 7:1-3) Sin brings Regret: (Ecc 2:17-23) Sin brings Misery: (Gal 6:7-8) Sin wastes our life: (Ecc 2:25-26)

Our Attitude affects how we view Life & Death: (Ps 90:12) **Solomon was Disappointed:** (Ecc 1:14) **Jonah was Disappointed:** (Jonah 4:3)(Jonah 4:8)

Job was Despairing of Life because of personal loss: (Job 6:8-11)

<u>Job let his Attitude determine his view of life</u>: (Job 10:1) <u>God gave Job an Attitude adjustment</u>: (Job 40:1) <u>Job responded properly</u>: (Job 40:3-5)

As a Graduation to Glory:

Simeon was Contented: (Luke 2:28-30) Paul was Anticipating: (Phil 1:20-23) Paul had No Regrets: (2 Tim 4:6-8) Paul had No Fear: (1 Cor 15:55-56)

III. The Upside View: How God Views it.

For the Lost: It is only the 1st Death: (Rev 20:14-15) It is Sudden Destruction: (1 Thes 5:3) It is Certain Judgement: (Heb 9:27)

For the Saved: It's Precious: (Ps 116:15)

It's Blessed: (Rev 14:13) It's Hopeful: (Prov 14:32) It's Comforting: (Rev 21:4) It's Joyous: (Ps 16:11b) Its an Ushering into Christ's presence! (2 Cor 5:6-8) B/c Stephen stood for Jesus. (Acts 7:56) It's a Home Coming! (John 14:1-3) It's has Heavenly Attendants: (Lk 16:22) It's a Reward Ceremony: (2 Cor 5:10)

<u>We receive a Crown of Life</u>: (James 1:12) <u>We Receive a Crown of Righteousness</u>: (2 Tim 4:8)

It's a Reception to Glory: (Ps 73:24) (Rev 21:18-21) Streets of Gold, Gates of Pearl, Walls of Jasper (Rev 22:1-5) Crystal Sea, Tree of Life, No More Night

But we can redeem what's left: (Ecc 9:4) (Ecc 9:10) *It's Never too late to Repent and Do Right!* (Eph 5:6-17)