

Why Men Die?

Why some die too young and others not.

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“Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned:” Romans 5:12

As one who has been granted the dispensational promise, having stood over fifty years in Baptist pulpits across this land preaching the unconditional “whosoever will” Grace of God and having stood over the grave side of my own father, mother, three brothers and two sisters along with hundreds of friends as well as holding the funerals and giving the eulogies of a hundred or more of my own church family. This not including those I watched die while in the military services so that I might come home and be one of God’s men in this the last days of the Church age. Who by His providential, sovereign, mercy and grace has permitted me the great and honorable privilege to share with Him in the bearing of His testimony and preaching the invaluable Word of God to a lost creation of people’s here in these Americas’ and other parts of this world which is about to come apart at the seams culminating in the close of the last laodiceaig period of the seven church ages. Through all, I’ve endured the untimely deaths of those so dear to my heart, leaving the mighty question, why death? The following is a Biblical account for the reason of death and why some die so young:

“And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. Believest thou this?” John 11:26

Man’s Biological Makeup:

There are billions of tiny cells glued together that make up human beings: every part of us. The cells are made from the food that we eat and minerals such as iron, zinc, calcium which we in turn obtain from the earth! Thus, these cells are nothing but minerals and water that make up the earth: the dust of the earth. As each of these billions of cells work “twenty-four/seven” from conception, they wear out and tear down, just like any machine would. You see there are twenty-eight minerals found in the human’s blood stream and all twenty-eight come from dirt, come by the way of the ground; earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust from whence we come and go. These billions of cells have been bound under the dominion of sin since the fall. For several reasons these tiny cells may break- down. “Spare parts” from other parts of the body may not be readily available to “repair” any damage. The cells may break down due to poison by substance misuse, substance allergy, or poison by other living things such as bacteria (E-coli for example), viruses (such as AIDS/HIV virus) or parasites such as malaria-causing parasites.

Meanwhile, the above-mentioned poisoning may be due to the person's cause/self-abuse (personal issues such as drug-misuse) or the action of others (criminal poisoning or even failure to prevent something occurring for example, a nurse may give or fail to give a medication at the appropriate time frame). By extension, death will come on a person, due to deprivation of essential maintenance such as lack of water, food, blood, oxygen, lack of supply of adequate food and minerals. These deprivations may be by accident or deliberate act by the person or another. In similar manner, the human body can only survive in certain own internal or external environmental conditions. Any extreme of temperatures or imbalance in Sun rays and wind/air or magnetic fields may poison or damage the body cells leading up to death. On the other hand, in the aging process, collectively therefore, the cells and organs of the body get tired and will, like any machine, wear out or break down . What is said in this paragraph can also be due to overuse of one's body especially if such overuse is done without rest, maintenance or if done with misuse of one's own body.

Death will therefore come.

This is what happens in the aging process whereby essential parts of the human organs fail making it impossible for the organ to work in association with other parts of the human body. This biological death is the death that comes upon human beings, plants and all animals. The "body" breaks down because of the presence of sin.

Why Does God Let People Die At an Early Age?

God lets people die at an early age because it is his will to allow them to die. Whatever occurs does so by God's permission. Ephesians 1:11 says that God "...works all things after the counsel of His will." This does not mean that God has caused people to die at early ages. But it is his will to allow people to die early, just as it is his will to allow people to sin. God does not want people to sin, but he lets them do it. God does not want people to rebel against him, but he allows it. Why? Because it is his will to permit people to rebel against him. If he stopped everyone from rebelling, there would be no freedom of choice, no freedom of will. But because we are made in the image of God Genesis 1:26, we have certain responsibilities and one of those responsibilities is to face the consequences of our choices. We would not be able to face the consequences of our choices if God never let us do things that were contrary to what he wanted in his "perfect" will. So, God allows people to rebel against him, and it is his will to do so. We can now better understand why God allows people to die at an early age. Sin entered the world through Adam

"For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by the obedience of one shall many be made righteous." Romans 5:19 and Romans 5:12 quoted above.

Sin spread to everyone, and the effects of sin are not only upon the soul but also upon the body, as well as the world. This is why we have sin, sickness, and natural disasters. One of the effects of sin is death, and the effect of sin on people takes different forms. With some it might be early death, with others it might be a deformed limb, or blindness, or mental instability, etc. So, God lets people die at an early age because it is one of the effects of sin in the world. Consequently sin demands righteous judgment as the Holy God said it would authenticate His Sacred Word:

"For the righteous LORD loveth righteousness; his countenance doth behold the upright." Psalms 11:7

"...Seeing it is a righteous thing with God to recompense tribulation to them that trouble you;" 2Thess. 1:6

"The wages of sin is death;" Romans 6:23a

"...but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." Romans 6:23b