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# Words of Truth

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## Game Over - No Respawns

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“In video games, spawning is the live creation of a character or item. Respawn is the recreation of an entity after its death or destruction. All players typically spawn at the start of a round, whereas some objects may spawn after the occurrence of a particular event or delay. A player spawning again in the same round will usually be considered to be respawning, especially if something occurred to bring them back sooner than usual. The term spawning is used almost exclusively in games where the player repeatedly dies” ([http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Spawning\\_\(video\\_gaming\)](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Spawning_(video_gaming))).

People live life as though we are in a video game. They think there will be do overs if they blow life now. That simply is not the case. There are not unlimited lives in reality. There is no reset button. You cannot be revived by some cheat code like some video games allow. You cannot have a teammate do some video game trick to make you invincible. Once you die in this life, your fate is sealed (Luke 16:19-31). We cannot live as though death is not a reality of life.

### Death Is A Reality

*“For we must needs die, and are as water spilt on the ground, which cannot be gathered up again; neither doth God respect any person: yet doth he devise means, that his banished be not expelled from him... For I know that thou wilt bring me to death, and to the house appointed for all living... But ye shall die like men, and fall like one of the princes... What man is he that liveth, and shall not see death? shall he deliver his soul from the hand of the grave... Man is like to vanity: his days are as a shadow that passeth away... For that which befalleth the sons of men befalleth beasts; even one thing befalleth them: as the one dieth, so dieth the other; yea, they have all one breath; so that a man hath no preeminence above a beast: for all is vanity. All go unto one place; all are of the dust, and all turn to dust again... And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment” (II Samuel 14:14, Job 30:23, Psalms 82:7, Psalms 89:48, Psalms 144:4, Ecclesiastes 3:19-20, and Hebrews 9:27).*

If you are sleeping through reality, the Scriptures above should be a wake-up call for you. You need to take time to consider death because it is the end of all of us (Ecclesiastes 7:2). The only chance you or I have to not see death is if the Lord comes first (I Thessalonians 4:13-17). Yet, even if the Lord does come first, the main point of this lesson is still valid. You have one life to get things right.

### You Only Have One Life So Get It Right

The Lord tells us to consider our later end (Deuteronomy 32:29). We should learn to realize our days are numbered so that we can apply our hearts to wisdom (Psalms 90:12). Yet, many people will

not consider their latter end until they are essentially on their deathbeds (i.e. II Kings 20:1). It is almost like we have an ability to dismiss reality when we are uncomfortable with the thoughts. Yet, ignoring the reality of an eternal fate does not make it untrue. The Lord warns us to be prepared to meet Him in the Judgment (Matthew 24:35-25:46).

God has always expected His people to completely obey His will. Notice the following Scriptures: *“Now therefore, if ye will obey my voice indeed, and keep my covenant, then ye shall be a peculiar treasure unto me above all people: for all the earth is mine... And shewing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments... All the paths of the LORD are mercy and truth unto such as keep his covenant and his testimonies... Blessed are they that keep his testimonies, and that seek him with the whole heart... He that keepeth the commandment keepeth his own soul; but he that despiseth his ways shall die... And why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say... But he said, Yea rather, blessed are they that hear the word of God, and keep it... If ye love me, keep my commandments... If ye keep my commandments, ye shall abide in my love; even as I have kept my Father's commandments, and abide in his love... For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one point, he is guilty of all... Blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city”* (Exodus 19:5, Exodus 20:6, Psalms 25:10, Psalms 119:2, Proverbs 19:16, Luke 6:46, Luke 11:28, John 14:15, John 15:10, James 2:10, and Revelation 22:14).

You have to choose, in this life, whether you will be saved or lost (John 3:36). When you choose disobedience you will suffer EVERLASTING destruction (II Thessalonians 1:7-9). The end of the life of disobedience is destruction, not a second chance (Philippians 3:19). Listen carefully to our God. He says that those who do not believe the truth whom had pleasure in unrighteousness will be DAMNED (II Thessalonians 2:12). So, don't waste your ONE chance.

### **Use Your Time Wisely**

Life is short. Your life is but a vapor that appears for a little time, and then vanishes away (James 4:13-16). You should not plan on tomorrow to start living right (Proverbs 27:1). We have to live life as though today is the day of our salvation (II Corinthians 6:2). Don't be a fool in forgetting to use your time wisely (Luke 12:13-21). Therefore, *“See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, Redeeming the time, because the days are evil. Wherefore be ye not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord is”* (Ephesians 5:15-17).

### **Conclusion**

Everything in this world will end (II Peter 3:10-14). A relationship with God has always come down to the subject of obedience (II John 9). To abide forever with God you have to keep His commandments (I John 2:17). As we've clearly seen, there are no do overs. You will not respawn after this life to try it again. Eternal life or eternal damnation will come down to what you do with this life (John 5:28-29). As God told Israel, He has set before us the choices of life or of death (Deuteronomy 30:15-20). Use the life you have now to choose and hold on to life eternal to come (Jude 21).