

Daily Devotion For September 18, 2022

"I am the resurrection and the life, he who believes in me, even though he die, yet shall he live, and whoever lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this? John 11:25-26

In my devotional yesterday, I mentioned that on Friday, I officiated a Memorial Service via Zoom and was recorded for the family. As I worked with the daughter of the woman who passed away, she asked if I could include the gospel message because many of her relatives were not Christians. She had hoped and prayed that the memorial service video would be a witness and testimony to her non-Christian family members.

If there is one thing that a funeral reminds me of is the hope that we have as Christians. The hope of eternal life in God's Kingdom. However, I wonder if everyone has that assurance. Some people may wonder if they will go to heaven. They worry if their sins will keep them out. They wonder if they have done enough "good deeds" to get them there.

The Bible says you can know for sure that you'll be with God after you die. Romans 10:9 says, "If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved."

Billy Graham, who spent his life sharing the hope of Christ with people all around the world and of all religions said this: "Your salvation depends on what [Christ] has done for you, not on what you do for Him. It isn't your hold on God that saves you; it's His hold on you.

Thought For Today: Do you wonder if you will go to heaven? Remember it is not what you do, but it is what Christ has done for you. Take time today to meditate on Christ and his precious gift of salvation.

Today's Prayer Focus: Thank God for His free gift of eternal life offered through his son Jesus Christ. Continued prayers for Bob McIntyre, Alan Durant, Tom Gunter, Nancy Ichiuji, Yuri Wong and Pat Wong. Deo Volente.