# **An Abundant Entrance**

# **Into Glory**

# 2 Peter 1 v 11

In life we are surrounded by death

## The Bible says

The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death;

2 Corinthians 15 v 26

The outer man perishes the inner man is renewed day by day

2 Corinthians 4 v 16

Paul knew he was going to die.

I am now ready to be offered and the time of my departure is at hand. 2 Timothy 4 v 6

It is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the Judgment, Hebrews 9 v 27

The body physically dies

The spirit lives on in heaven or hell

In the parable of Dives. The rich man is in torment in the flames. He has died but his spirit is tormented. He feels the furnace flames. He reasons, he tries to seek help for his brothers.

Luke 16 v19 23

### Now Samuel was dead .....

The witch of Endor called up Samuel in the Old Testament, Samuel was angry he talked the reasoned he was recognisable as Samuel. He was a spirit.

1 Samuel 28 v 3 - 19 And Samuel said to Saul, Why hast thou disquieted me, to bring me up?

Then said Samuel, Wherefore then dost thou ask of me, seeing the LORD is departed from thee, and is become thine enemy? And the LORD hath done to him, as he spake by me: for the LORD hath rent the kingdom out of thine hand, and given it to thy neighbour, even to David: 1 Samuel 28 v 16-17

### **He Warned**

Because thou obeyedst not the voice of the LORD, nor executedst his fierce wrath upon Amalek, therefore hath the LORD done this thing unto thee this day. 1 Samuel 28 v 18

## **He Prophesied**

Moreover the LORD will also deliver Israel with thee into the hand of the Philistines: and tomorrow shalt thou and thy sons be with me: the LORD also shall deliver the host of Israel into the hand of the Philistines. 1 Samuel 28 v 19

#### Jesus on the cross crucified

When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he said, It is finished: and he bowed his head, and "Gave up the Ghost"

John 19 v 30

He went to preach to the spirits in Hell.Ephesians 4 v 8When the disciple saw him walking on the water they thought it<br/>was a Spirit and cried out with fear;Matthew 14 v 29

## Paul said

For me to live is Christ to die is gain. Philippians 1 v 21

## The Resurrection

But now Is Christ Risen from the dead; 1 Corinthians 15 v 20

The Word of God declares.

Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints.

Psalm 116 v 15

## Death is swallowed up in Victory .

O death where is thy sting? O Grave where is thy victory?

The present writer is looking forward an abundant entrance into Glory

All flesh is not the same flesh

The Dead in Christ (born again Christians) rise

For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: 1 Thessalonians 4 v 16 It is sown in In corruption and raised in incorrupt ion

1 Corinthians 15 v 42

It is sown in a natural body and is raised in a spiritual body

Some will say;

How are the dead raised up

And with what body do they come ?

Death has lost its sting

1 Corinthians 16 v 35

Religion or Relationship

The Thief on the Cross:

In India I am told there are many, many religions.

Religion does not save.

Religion is a set of rules that tries to change the man from the outside.

Do not drink alcohol.

Do not smoke.

Do not get involved with the occult.

People try and they try hard to obey the rules but many times they fail.

Take the example of the thief on the cross. He could not be religious. He could not read a bible. He could not go to church. He could not light a candle. He could not be baptised. He could not go to Mecca. He could not wash in the river Ganges He could not do anything religious. How could he be saved? He was crucified, He was dying, He was guilty He deserved to die yet he was saved. He saw Jesus, He saw the Lamb of God. He saw the precious blood of Jesus, He saw Jesus crucified. He prayed, He believed, He called Jesus Lord, when you come into your kingdom, remember me.

Jesus answered him immediately; today you will be with me in Paradise.

# **The Resurrection**

And shall come forth—they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life, and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation. John 5 v 29

Amazing scenes in Jerusalem and came out of the graves after His resurrection, and went into the Holy City and appeared unto many. Matthew 27 v 53

Then came unto Him the Sadducees, who say that there is noresurrection. And they asked Him, saying,Mark 12 v 18

In the resurrection therefore, when they shall rise, whose wife shall she be, for all seven had her for a wife?" Mark 12 v 23

And thou shalt be blessed, for they cannot recompense thee. For thou shalt be recompensed at the resurrection of the just." Luke 14 v 14

Then came to Him certain of the Sadducees, who deny that there is any resurrection, and they asked Him, Luke 20 v 27

Therefore, in the resurrection whose wife is she, for seven had her as wife?" Luke 20 v 33

But they that shall be accounted worthy to obtain that World and the resurrection from the dead, neither marry nor are given in marriage,

Luke 20 v 35

Neither can they die anymore; for they are equal unto the angels and are the children of God, being the children of the resurrection.

Luke 20 v 36

Martha said unto Him, "I know that he shall rise again at the resurrection on the last day." John 11 v 24

being grieved that they taught the people and preached through Jesus the resurrection from the dead. Acts 4 v 2

And with great power the apostles gave witness to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. Acts 4 v 33

Then certain philosophers of the Epicureans and of the Stoics encountered him. And some said, "What will this babbler say?" And some others said, "He seems to be a proclaimer of strange gods," because he preached unto them Jesus and the resurrection.

Acts 17 v 18

But when they heard of the resurrection of the dead, some mocked and others said, "We will hear thee again on this matter."

Acts 17 v 32

But when Paul perceived that one part were Sadducees and the other Pharisees, he cried out to the council, "Men and brethren, I am a Pharisee, the son of a Pharisee: of the hope and resurrection of the dead I am called into question!" Acts 23 v 6

For the Sadducees say that there is no resurrection, neither angel, nor spirit; but the Pharisees confess both. Acts 23 v 8

And I have hope in God, which they themselves also hold, that there shall be a resurrection of the dead, both of the just and unjust;

Acts 24 v 15

Unless it be for this one utterance that I cried out standing among them: 'Concerning the resurrection of the dead I am called into question by you this day.'" Acts 24 v 21

## Jesus

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a living hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, 1 Peter 1 v 3

and was declared to be the Son of God with power, according to the Spirit of holiness by the resurrection from the dead; Romans 1 v 4

For if we have been planted together in the likeness of His death, so we shall also be in the likeness of His resurrection; Romans 6 v 5

Now if Christ is preached, that He Rose from the dead, how say some among you that there is no resurrection of the dead;

1 Corinthians 15 v 12

But if there be no resurrection of the dead, then is Christ not risen:

1 Corinthians 15 v 13

For since by man came death, by Man came also the resurrection of the dead. 1 Corinthians 15 v 21

So also is the resurrection of the dead: It is sown in corruption; it is raised in in corruption. 1 Corinthians 15 v 42 that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection and the fellowship of His sufferings, being made conformable unto His death;

Philippians 3 v 10

that if by any means I might attain unto the resurrection of the dead.

#### Philippians 3 v 11

who concerning the truth have erred, saying that the resurrection is past already, and overthrowing the faith of some; 2 Timothy 2 v 18

Of the doctrine of baptisms and of laying on of hands, and of resurrection of the dead and of eternal judgment. Hebrews 6 v 2

Women received their dead raised to life again, and others were tortured, not accepting deliverance, that they might obtain a better resurrection. Hebrews 11 v 35

A good conscience toward God) The like figure to this, even baptism, doth also now save us (not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of by the resurrection of Jesus Christ; 1 Peter 3 v 21

But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years werefinished. This is the first resurrection.Revelation 20 v 5

Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with Him a thousand years. Revelation 20 v 6

## His Glorious Touch

And when he saw that he prevailed not against him, he touched the hollow of his thigh; and the hollow of Jacob's thigh was out of joint, as he wrestled with him. Genesis 32 v 25

And he laid it upon my mouth, and said, Lo, this hath touched thy lips; and thine iniquity is taken away, and thy sin purged. Isaiah 6 v 7

Now as he was speaking with me, I was in a deep sleep on my face toward the ground: but he touched me, and set me upright.

Daniel 8 v 18

Then the LORD put forth his hand, and touched my mouth. And the LORD said unto me, Behold, I have put my words in thy mouth.

Jeremiah 1 v 9

The woman who pressed through to touch Jesus stooped to touch the hem of His garment. She never actually touched Him

And, behold, a woman, which was diseased with an issue of blood twelve years, came behind him, and touched the hem of his garment:

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Matthew 9 v 20
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Yea, whiles I was speaking in prayer, even the man Gabriel, whom I had seen in the vision at the beginning, being caused to fly swiftly, touched me about the time of the evening oblation. Daniel 9 v 21

And, behold, one like the similitude of the sons of men touched my lips: then I opened my mouth, and spake, and said unto him that stood before me, O my lord, by the vision my sorrows are turned upon me, and I have retained no strength. Daniel 10 v 16

Yet virtue had gone out of Him

## Holy Spirit

## His touch is healing and life giving

When a dead body touched the bones of dead Elijah the body received life and proved that there was not only virtue but that the Holy Spirit of God had impregnated the bones of his servant. 2 Kings 13 v 20/21

## The body is precious for the Word tells us .

And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. 1 Thessalonians 5 v 23 And the angel of the LORD came again the second time, and touched him, and said, Arise and eat; because the journey is too great for thee. 1 Kings 19 v 7

### The leper

And Jesus put forth his hand, and touched him, saying, I will; be thou clean. And immediately his leprosy was cleansed. Matthew 8 v 3

## Those with fever

And he touched her hand, and the fever left her: and she arose, and ministered unto them. Matthew 8 v 15

## <u>The Blind</u>

Then touched he their eyes, saying, According to your faith be it unto you. Matthew 9 v 29

And besought him that they might only touch the hem of his garment: and as many as touched were made perfectly whole. Matthew 14 v 36

## The fearful

And Jesus came and touched them, and said, Arise, and be not afraid.

Matthew 17 v 7

## The Blind

So Jesus had compassion on them, and touched their eyes: and immediately their eyes received sight, and they followed him.

Matthew 20 v 34

And Jesus, moved with compassion, put forth his hand, and touched him, and saith unto him, I will; be thou clean. Mark 1 v 41

## <u>The Sick</u>

And whithersoever he entered, into villages, or cities, or country, they laid the sick in the streets, and besought him that they might touch if it were but the border of his garment: and as many as touched him were made whole. Mark 6 v 56

### <u>The Dumb</u>

And he took him aside from the multitude, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spit, and touched his tongue; Mark 7 v 33

#### The Leper

And he put forth his hand, and touched him, saying, I will: be thou clean. And immediately the leprosy departed from him. Luke 5 v 13

#### The Dead

And he came and touched the bier: and they that bare him stood still. And he said, Young man, I say unto thee, Arise. Luke 7 v 14

# Judgement

#### Judgement is specific

For I will pass through the land of Egypt this night, and will smite all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and against all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgment: I am the LORD. Exodus 12 v 12

#### Judgement is Fair;

Shall not the judge of the earth do Right. Genesis 18 v 25

#### Judgement begins with the House of God!!

For the time has come that judgment must begin at the house of God. And if it first begin with us, what shall the end be of those who obey not the Gospel of God? 1 Peter 4 v 17

## **Judgment in the New Testament**

## There will be a special day:

But the heavens and the earth which now are, by the same Word are kept in store, reserved unto fire against the Day of Judgment and perdition of ungodly men. 2 Peter 3 v 7

## The angels that sinned

For if God spared not the angels who sinned, but cast them down to hell and delivered them into chains of darkness to be reserved unto judgment; 2 Peter 2 v 4

## Men that have sinned

it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the Judgment,

Hebrews 9 v 27

#### **Christians will be there**

For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ that everyone may receive the things done in his body, according to what he hathdone, whether it be good or bad.2 Corinthians 5 v 10

For a Christian it will be works that are judged as all their sins providing they have been repented of and confessed will be washed away in the precious blood of Jesus.

Every man's work shall be made manifest; for the Day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire, and the fire shall test every man's work of what sort it is. If any man's work abide which he hath built thereon, he shall receive a reward. If any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss; but he himself shall be saved, yet so as fire.

1 Corinthians 3 v 13-15

#### Christians have boldness on that day

Herein is our love made perfect, that we may have boldness in the Day of Judgment; because as He is, so are we in this world.

1 John 4 v 17

#### **God's People Protected**

For those in **Israel who were protected** by the blood the angel of death pass over... Exodus 12 v 13

And the blood shall be to you for a token upon the houses where ye are; and when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and the plague shall not be upon you to destroy you when I smite the land of Egypt.

For the time has come that judgment must begin at the house of God. And if it first begin with us, what shall the end be of those who obey not the Gospel of God? And beast; and against all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgment: I am the LORD. 1 Peter 4 v 17

#### Jesus said

I AM: The way the truth the life.	John 14 v 6
I AM: The bread of Life	John 6 v 35
I AM: From Above.	John 7 v 28-29

I AM: The Light of the World.	John 8 v 12
I AM: The Door.	John 10 v 9
I AM: The Good Shepherd.	John 10 v 14
I AM: The resurrection and the Life.	John 11 v 25

#### **Rewards to Overcomers**

Eat of the tree of life.	Revelation 2 v 7
Power over Nations.	Revelation 2 v 8
Not hurt of Second Death.	Revelation 2 v 11
Clothed in White Clothes.	Revelation 3 v 5
Not blot out his name.	Revelation 3 v 5
Make a pillar in my Temple.	Revelation 3 v 12
Sit with me in my Throne .	Revelation 3 v 12

#### **Crowns awarded**

A Crown of life:	James 1 v 2
An Incorruptible Crown:	1 Corinthians 9 v 25
A Crown of Righteousness.	2 Timothy 4 v 8
A Crown of Glory.	1 Peter 5 v 4
A Crown of Thorns.	Matthew 27 v 29

A Crown of Glory and Honour.

Hebrews 2 v 9 Revelation 19 v 12

Forty Days In the Bible

#### **The Flood**

Many Crowns.

And the flood was forty days upon the earth, and the waters increased and bore up the ark, and it was lifted up above the earth.

Genesis 7 v 17

#### Noah's patience

And it came to pass at the end of forty days, that Noah opened the window of the ark which he had made. Genesis 8 v 6

#### Grief

And forty days were fulfilled for him (for so are fulfilled the days of those who are embalmed), and the Egyptians mourned for him threescore and ten days. Genesis 50 v 3

#### **Moses with God**

And Moses went into the midst of the cloud, and got himself up onto the mount; and Moses was on the mount forty days and forty nights.

Exodus 24 v 18

And he was there with the LORD forty days and forty nights; he neither ate bread nor drank water. And He wrote upon the tablets the words of the covenant, the Ten Commandments; Exodus 34 v 28

#### Caleb and the 12 spies

And they returned from searching of the land after forty days.

Numbers 13 v 25

#### **Goliaths Challenge;**

And the Philistine drew near morning and evening, and presented himself forty days. 1 Samuel 17 v 16

#### Elijah's strength;

And he arose, and ate and drank, and went in the strength of that meat forty days and forty nights unto Horeb the mount of God.

1 Kings 19 v 8

#### Ezekiel's sign;

And when thou hast accomplished them, lie again on thy right side, and thou shalt bear the iniquity of the house of Judah forty days: I have appointed thee each day for a year. Ezekiel 4 v 6

#### Jonah's Prophesy;

And Jonah began to enter into the city a day's journey, and he cried and said, "Yet forty days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown." Jonah 3 v 4

#### Jesus In the wilderness;

And when He had fasted forty days and forty nights, He afterward hungered. Matthew 4 v 2

#### Jesus resurrection appearances;

To these also He showed Himself alive after His passion by many infallible proofs, being seen by them forty days, and speaking of the things pertaining to the Kingdom of God. Acts 1 v 3

# "Eye hath not seen" !!!

For since the beginning of the world men have not heard nor perceived by the ear, neither hath the eye seen, O God, besides thee, what He hath prepared for him that waiteth for Him. Isaiah 64 v 4

But as it is written: "Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man the things which God hath prepared for them that love Him. "Full Stop. No!!! 1 Corinthians 2 v 9

But God hath revealed them unto us by His Spirit.

For the Spirit searches all things, yea, the deep things of God.

What has God revealed???

We will be blessed of God:

Then shall the King say unto them on His right hand, 'Come, ye blessed of My Father, inherit the Kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. Matthew 25 v 34

# We shall receive a "Crown of Life":

Blessed is the man that endureth temptation; for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life which the Lord hath promised to those who love Him. James 1 v 12

Wonderful things revealed: Unto them it was revealed that they ministered, not unto themselves, but unto us the things which are now reported unto you

by those who have preached the Gospel unto you, with the Holy Spirit sent down from Heaven—things which the angels desire to look into

1 Peter 1 v 12

At that time Jesus answered and said, "I thank Thee, O Father, Lord of Heaven and earth, because Thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes. Matthew 11 v 25

#### Your Inheritance a Kingdom

Then shall the King say unto them on His right hand, 'Come, ye blessed of My Father, inherit the Kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. Mathew 25 v 34

# Crowns Promised !!!

And every man that striveth for mastery is temperate in all things. Now they do it to obtain a corruptible crown, but we an incorruptible.

1 Corinthians 9 v 25

Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer. Behold, the devil shall cast some of you into prison, that ye may be tried, and ye shall have tribulation ten days. Be thou faithful unto death, and

I will give thee a crown of Life. Revelation 2 v 10

For what is our hope, or joy or crown of rejoicing? Are not even ye in the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ at His coming?,

1 Thessalonians 2 v 19

Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness which the Lord, the righteous Judge, shall give me on that Day—and not to me only, but unto all those also who love His appearing.

2 Timothy 4 v 8

Blessed is the man that endureth temptation; for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life which the Lord hath promised to those who love Him. James 1 v 12

And when the Chief Shepherd shall appear, ye shall receive a crown of glory that fadeth not away. 1 Peter 5 v 4

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## **Overcomers are Rewarded**

He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches. To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the Tree of Life, which is in the midst of the Paradise of God.' Revelation 2 v 7 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches. He that overcometh shall not be hurt by the second death.'

Revelation 2 v 11

He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches. To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the hidden

manna, and will give him a white stone, and on the stone a new name written, which no man knows save he that receives it.'

Revelation 2 v 17

And he that overcometh and keeps My works unto the end, to him will I give power over the nations, Revelation 2 v 26

He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name from the Book of Life, but I will confess his name before My Father and before His angels.

Revelation 3 v 5

Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of My God, and he shall go out no more; and I will write upon him the name of My God, and the name of the city of My God, which is New Jerusalem, which cometh down out of heaven from My God, and I will write upon him My new name. Revelation 3 v 12

To him that overcometh, will I grant to sit with Me on My throne, even as I also overcame and am set down with My Father on His throne.

Revelation 3 v 21

# HE THAT OVERCOMETH SHALL INHERIT ALL THINGS; AND I WILL BE HIS GOD, AND HE SHALL BE MY SON.

Revelation 21 v 7

#### Jesus wore a cruel crown

And they clothed Him with purple, and they platted a crown of thorns and put it about His head, Mark 15 v 17

## But Now Wears A Golden Crown

And I looked, and behold, a white cloud; and upon the cloud sat one like unto the Son of Man, having on his head **A Golden Crown** and in his hand a sharp sickle.