

Disease, Suffering, and Death

What the Culture Says

1. Death is just part of “the circle of life.”
2. Suffering is a sign of God’s displeasure.
3. Life can be prolonged through our efforts.
4. It’s simply not polite to talk about death.
5. Death should be avoided at all costs (literally).
6. Medical technology is an un-mixed blessing.
7. My death is the absolute worst case scenario.
8. Human remains are worthless.
9. Losing a loved one is devastating.

What Scripture Says

1. Death is a consequence of sin (Rom. 5:12, 6:23a).
2. Suffering can have divine purposes (James 5:11).
3. Our days have been pre-determined (Psalm 139:16).
4. Meditating on death brings wisdom (Psalm 90:12).
5. A righteous man leaves an inheritance (Prov. 13:22)
6. Trusting in physicians can be sin (2 Chron. 16:12)
7. For me, to die is gain (Phil. 1:21)
8. A dignified burial is important (Acts 13:36).
9. We do not mourn without hope (1 Thess. 4:13-14).