# Spiritual Death

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Scripture describes the unregenerate state as spiritual death—not merely sickness or weakness, but death. The dead cannot respond, cannot feel, cannot act. This is our condition apart from Christ: dead in trespasses and sins, alienated from the life of God, having no hope and without God in the world. We were children of wrath, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and mind. This death is not annihilation but separation from God, the source of all life and blessing. Only the voice of the Son of God can call the spiritually dead to life, just as He called Lazarus from the tomb. Regeneration is resurrection—the giving of new life to those who were dead.

# **Key Verses**

## **Ephesians 2:1**

And you hath he quickened, who were dead in trespasses and sins.

### **Ephesians 2:5**

Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;)

#### Colossians 2:13

And you, being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath he quickened together with him, having forgiven you all trespasses.

#### **Ephesians 4:18**

Having the understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart.

#### John 5:25

Verily, Verily, I say unto you, The hour is coming, and now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God: and they that hear shall live.

## **Romans 6:23**

For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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