

Where Do Babies Go When They Die?

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~ II Samuel 12:23*

*H*ere is the age-old question: "Where do babies go when they die?" Even though the topic is sometimes hotly debated, the answer is really quite simple.

They go where everyone goes when they die – to the grave.

"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" (Ecclesiastes 3:19-20).

David had an infant son who died, to which he responded:

"But now he is dead, wherefore should I fast? can I bring him back again? I shall go to him, but he shall not return to me" (II Samuel 12:23).

David fully expected to join his son one day.

So the issue is simple – if we know where David went when he died, we would know where his son went. Just where did David go when he died? What does the Bible actually tell us?

David went where everyone goes when they die:

"So David slept with his fathers, and was buried ..." (I Kings 2:10).

David is not in heaven, or in a fiery hell, or in paradise. David is buried and in the grave. Peter attested to this clear truth:

“Men and brethren, let me freely speak unto you of the patriarch David, that he is both dead and buried, and his sepulchre is with us unto this day” (Acts 2:29).

“For David is not ascended into the heavens ...” (Acts 2:34).

Paul also confirmed the truth of David’s whereabouts:

“For David, after he had served his own generation by the will of God, fell on sleep, and was laid unto his fathers, and saw corruption” (Acts 13:36).

David and his son, along with all the dead are in the grave awaiting resurrection:

“... All who are in their graves shall hear His voice” (John 5:28).

“... Them that sleep in the dust shall awake ...” (Daniel 12:2).

“I will ransom them from the power of the grave; I will redeem them from death ...” (Hosea 13:14).

“And if Christ be not raised, your faith is vain; ye are yet in your sins. Then they also which are fallen asleep in Christ are perished. If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men most miserable” (I Corinthians 15:17-19).

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