

**Title: "Precious in the Sight of the Lord"**

**Text:** (Psalms 116:15) *Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of his saints.*

Death is a Graduation to Glory.  
Why is our death Precious to him?

**He loves us:** Jn 3:16; Jn 16:27;

*He knows we suffer:* 2 Tim 3:12 We Suffer  
Jn 16:33 We have Tribulation,

**He Pity's us:**

He birthed us, so He knows our frailty: Ps  
103:8-18  
Because of our affliction: James 5:7-11

**He wants us to be with Him:** Jn 17:24

Phil 1:21 **WE WIN!**

*To see Him as He is:* (1 Jn 3:2)  
*To fulfill His promises:* (Eph 3:6; 2 Pet 3:12-13)  
*To be with Him forever:* (2 Cor 5:8)  
*To receive our Rewards:* (2 Cor 5:10)  
*To enjoy the place He has prepared for us:*  
Mansion: (Jn 14:1-3)  
New Jerusalem: (Rev 21:18-23)  
Jesus is there: (Rev 22:1-5)  
*To wipe away our tears and sorrows:* Rom 8:18  
Rev 3:12; Rev 7:16; Rev 21:1,4

We are such selfish people: Phil 1:23-24

*Illus:* *Selfish Prayer for the elderly and dying.*

*Illus:* *Selfish Anger toward God.*

**To redeem us:** Rom 6:16-18 We were slaves of Sin  
(1 Cor 6:20; 7:23; 2 Pet 2:1)

**To give us a new body:** (Rev 21:4) NO More Pain!

*Illus:* *More Alive today than they ever were!*  
(1 Jn 3:2) "As He Is" (1 Cor 15:53-54)

**To give us understanding of all things:**(1Cor13:12

**We are to Prepare our Souls:**

Trust Him Now: 2 Cor 6:2; 2 Pet 3:9

**We are to Purify our Lives:** 1 Jn 3:3

1 Jn1:7

**We are to Purify our Minds:** 1 Jn 4:17

*Understand this world is not my home:* Eph 2:19  
Pilgrims: Heb 11:13; 1 Pet 2:11

*Understand our purpose:* Rom 11:36

Col 1:17 – He is the Point of it all! Not US!  
Eph 1:5,9; Phil 2:13; Rev 4:11 all 4 His pleasure  
1 Cor 10:31 Everything is to bring Glory to God

*Understand our function:* Lk 2:49;

Time is short: 1 Cor 7:29

Get busy with the time we have left: Jn 9:4