



NEW HEART BEAT DEVOTIONS

Voice of the Departed

My wife's grandmother passed away and we attended her out-of-town funeral. (During the prior weeks, she resided in a nursing home with little response.) Having returned home from the funeral, we took the messages off our answering machine. Somehow, much older messages were on the tape. We heard the departed grandmother asking us to give her a call. Boy, if we could, what would she say?

In Luke 16, there is a story of two men who died. One man (named Lazarus) went to heaven, and the other man (unnamed) went to hell. The man cried, "Send Lazarus, that he may dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am tormented in this flame." He also pleaded that "thou wouldest send him to my father's house. For I have five brethren, that he may testify unto them lest they also come into this place of torment."

Someday, we will be one of the departed. If we could call back, what would we say: "It is hot here" or "this is really heaven". Today is the day to decide your destination.

*"Whosoever was not found written in the book of life
was cast into the lake of fire." Rev 20:15*

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