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21 February 1875 – 4 August 1997
122 years, 164 days

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1 - The Fact of Death

- Female life expectancy - 81.1 years
- Male life expectancy - 76.6 years
- 7,450 people die every day in the US

Ecclesiastes 9:2,3,5 All share a common destiny-
the righteous and the wicked, the good and the
bad ... The same destiny overtakes all. ... For the
living know that they will die

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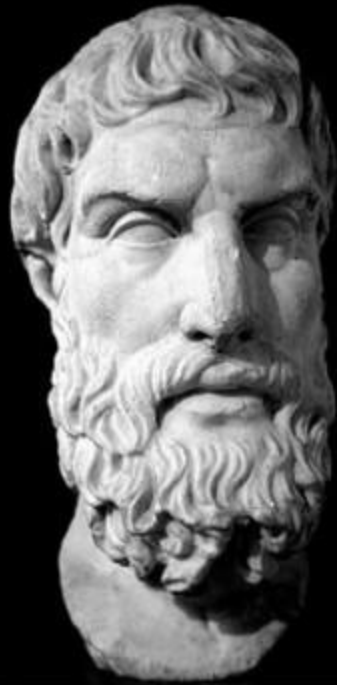


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“You have not done well by your people if you have not prepared them to die.” – Richard Baxter

“It is a great art to die well.” - Jeremy Taylor, English clergyman (1613-1667)

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The art of living well and the art of dying well are
one.

(Epicurus)

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2 - The Faces of Death

- physical death
- spiritual death

Ephesians 2:1 As for you, you were dead in your transgressions and sins,

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- second death

Revelation 20:12 And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne, and books were opened. Another book was opened, which is the book of life. The dead were judged according to what they had done as recorded in the books. ¹⁴

Then death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. The lake of fire is the second death. ¹⁵ Anyone whose name was not found written in the book of life was thrown into the lake of fire.

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John 11:25 “I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; ²⁶ and whoever lives by believing in me will never die.

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3 - The Fear of Death

Hebrews 2:14 (Jesus) shared in our humanity (the incarnation) so that by his death he might break the power of him who holds the power of death—that is, the devil—¹⁵ and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by their fear of death.

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2 Corinthians 5:1 For we know that when this earthly tent we live in is taken down (that is, when we die and leave this earthly body), we will have a house in heaven, an eternal body made for us by God himself and not by human hands.