

## **BEYOND DEATH**

### 32. O SON OF THE SUPREME!

I have made death a messenger of joy to thee. Wherefore dost thou grieve? I made the light to shed on thee its splendor. Why dost thou veil thyself therefrom?

### 33. O SON OF SPIRIT!

With the joyful tidings of light I hail thee: rejoice! To the court of holiness I summon thee; abide therein that thou mayest live in peace for evermore.

### 34. O SON OF SPIRIT!

The spirit of holiness beareth unto thee the joyful tidings of reunion; wherefore dost thou grieve? The spirit of power confirmeth thee in His cause; why dost thou veil thyself? The light of His countenance doth lead thee; how canst thou go astray?

### 35. O SON OF MAN!

Sorrow not save that thou art far from Us. Rejoice not save that thou art drawing near and returning unto Us.

## QURAN

32: 10. Then HE endowed him with perfect faculties and breathed into him of HIS spirit. And HE has given you ears, and eyes, and hearts. But little thanks do you give !

2: 57. The We raised you up after your death that you might be grateful.

21: 36. Every soul shall taste of death; and WE test you with evil and good by way of trial. And to US shall you be returned.

32: 20. As for those who believe and do good works, they will have Gardens of Eternal Abode as an entertainment in return for what they used to do.

13: 36. The similitude of the Garden promised to the God-fearing is that through it flow streams; its fruit is everlasting, and so is its shade. That is the reward of those who are righteous;

44: 39. And WE created not the heavens and the earth and all that is between them in sport. 44: 40. WE created them... for an eternal purpose, but most of them understand not.

## BIBLE

Job 32.8 It is the spirit in a man, the breath of the Almighty, that makes him understand.

1Cor 3.16 Do you not know that you are God's Temple and that God's spirit dwells in you.

2Kgs 2:2-4 The Lord liveth as thy soul liveth. (Elisha to Elijah).

Luke 17.20 The Kingdom of God is within you.

James 4.5 He [God] yearns jealously over the spirit which He has made to dwell in us.

2Tim 1.7 God did not give us a spirit of timidity, but a spirit of power, of love, and of self discipline.

1Cor 13:8 Love will never come to an end.

1Pet 3.3 Let not yours be the outward adorning...but let it be the hidden person of the heart with the imperishable jewel of a gentle and quiet spirit.

Pslms 31.6 Into Thy hands I commit my spirit.

Gen 35:18 As her soul was in departing (Rachel - Jacob's wife), for she died.

2Cor 4.16 Though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed every day...for the things that are seen are transient, but the things which are unseen are eternal.

Deut 32.40: For I lift up My head to heaven and swear as I live forever.

Psalms 22.26: Your heart shall live forever.

1 Cor 13:8 Love will never come to an end.

1Jn Do not set your affections on this world.

1Cor 7:31 For the fashion of this world passeth away.

Jms 4:4 Surely you know that love of the world means enmity to God? Whoever chooses to be the worlds friend makes himself God's enemy.

The souls of the righteous are in the hands of God, and no torment shall touch them. In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died; and their departure was accounted to be their hurt, and their journeying away from us to be their ruin; but they are in peace.

Wisdom 3:1-3

## THE GOSPEL OF BUDDHA

The life of mortals in this world is troubled and brief and combined with pain. For there is not any means by which those that have been born can avoid dying; after reaching old age there is death; of such a nature are living beings.

People pass away, and their fate afterdeath will be according to their deeds.  
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This body will be dissolved and no ammount of sacrifice will save it. Therefore, seek thou the life that is of the mind. Where self is, truth cannot be; yet when truth comes, self will disappear. Therefore let thy mind rest in the truth; propogate the truth, put thy whole will in it and let it spread. In the truth thou shalt live forever.  
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Truth can not be fashioned. Truth is one and the same; it is immutable. Truth is above the power of death; it is omnipresent, eternal, and most glorious.  
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Let no man be single, let every one be wedded in holy love to the truth. And when Mara, the destroyer, comes to seperate the visible forms of your being, you will continue to live in the truth, and you will partake of the life everlasting, for truth is immortal.  
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### The Praise of all the Buddhas

All the Buddhas are wonderful and glorious  
There is not their equal upon earth  
They reveal to us the path of life  
And we hail their appearance with pious reverence.

All the Buddhas teach the same truth  
They point out the path to those who go astray  
The truth is our hope and comfort  
We gratefully accept its illimitable light.

All the Buddhas are one in essence  
Which is omnipresent in all modes of being  
Sanctifying the bonds that tie all souls together  
And we rest in its bliss as our final refuge.



## BHAGAVAD GITA

Interwoven in his cration, the Spirit is beyond destruction. No one can bring to an end the Spirit which is everlasting. For beyond time he dwells in these bodies, though these bodies have an end in their time; but he remains immeasurable, immortal...If any man thinks he slays, and if another thinks he is slain, neither knows the ways of truth. The eternal in man cannot die. He is never born, and he never dies. He is in Eternity: he is for evermore. Never-born and eternal, beyond times gone or to come, he does not die when the body dies.

The soul that with a strong and constant calm Takes sorrow and takes joy indifferently,  
Lives in the life undying! That which is Can never cease to be; that which is not Will not  
exist. To see this truth of both Is theirs who part essence from accident, Substance from  
shadow. Indestructible, Learn thou! the Life is, spreading life through all; It cannot  
anywhere, by any means, Be anywise diminished, stayed, or changed. But for these  
fleeting frames which it informs With spirit deathless, endless, infinite, They perish. Let  
them perish, Prince! and fight! Know naught! Life cannot slay. Life is not slain! Never  
the spirit was born; the spirit shall cease to be never; Never was time it was not; End and  
Beginning are dreams! Birthless and deathless and changeless remaineth the spirit for  
ever; Death hath not touched it at all, dead though the house of it seems! Who knoweth it  
exhaustless, self-sustained, Immortal, indestructible,- shall such Say, "I have killed a  
man, or caused to kill?"

Nay, but as when one layeth His worn-out robes away, And, taking  
new ones, sayeth, "These will I wear to-day!" So putteth by the  
spirit Lightly its garb of flesh, And passeth to inherit A residence  
afresh.

Constant let each abide! The sage whose soul Holds off from outer contacts, in himself  
Finds bliss; to Brahma joined by piety, His spirit tastes eternal peace. The joys How it  
must end, and all the ills of it, The axe of sharp Detachment ye would whet, And cleave  
the clinging snaky roots, and lay This Aswattha of sense-life low,- to set

New growths upspringing to that happier sky,- Which they who reach shall have no day  
to die, Nor fade away, nor fall- to Him, I mean, FATHER and FIRST, Who made the  
mystery

Of old Creation; for to Him come they From passion and from dreams who break away;  
Who part the bonds constraining them to flesh, And,- Him, the Highest, worshipping  
always-

No longer grow at mercy of what breeze Of summer pleasure stirs the sleeping trees,  
What blast of tempest tears them, bough and stem: To the eternal world pass such as  
these!

Another Sun gleams there! another Moon! Another Light,- not Dusk, nor Dawn, nor  
Noon- Which they who once behold return no more; They have attained My rest, life's  
Utmost boon!

When, in this world of manifested life, The undying Spirit, setting forth from Me, Taketh on form, it draweth to itself From Being's storehouse,- which containeth all,- Senses and intellect. The Sovereign Soul Thus entering the flesh, or quitting it, Gathers these up, as the wind gathers scents, Blowing above the flower.-beds. Ear and Eye, And Touch and Taste, and Smelling, these it takes,- Yea, and a sentient mind;- linking itself To sense-things so.

## PHILOSOPHY

They say that the soul of man is immortal, at one time it comes to an end - that which is called death - and at another is born again, but is never finally exterminated. On these grounds a man must live all his days as righteously as possible.

Plato

Should this my firm persuasion of the souls immortality prove to be a mere delusion, it is at least a pleasing delusion, and I will cherish it to my latest breath.

Cicero

The human mind cannot be absolutely destroyed with the body, but there remains something of it which is eternal.

Spinoza

Death cannot kill what never dies. Nor can Spirits ever be divided that love and live in the same divine principle; the Root and Record of their friendship. If Absence be not Death, neither is it theirs. Death is but crossing the world, as friends do the seas; they live in one another still.

William Pen

Endless progress is only possible on the supposition of an endless duration of the existence and personality of the same rational being (which is called the immortality of the soul)

Immanuel Kant

Oh may I join the choir invisible  
Of those immortal dead who live again  
In minds made better by their presence.

George Eliot

If you were to destroy the belief in immortality in mankind, not only love but every living

force on which the continuation of all life in the world depended, would dry up at once. Moreover, there would be nothing immoral then, everything would be permitted.  
Dostoyevsky