

Redeemed From Death For Life
(Psalm 49)

Being Genuinely Human Requires Us to Answer the Call to the Meaning of Our Lives

- We may live by a material worldview or a spiritual worldview

The Material View: The Assumption That Everything Is Fundamentally of One Substance: Matter

- Materialism: The tendency to prefer material possessions and physical comfort over spiritual values - 49:6

...Focus: Man and his personal fulfillment through material wealth and riches

...Belief: Money buys happiness, even if only temporarily

- Questions: What if we were not made merely for happiness?

What if we were not made merely for the temporary?

What if we were made for wholeness?

What if we were made for the eternal?

What if human "currency" is worthless for purchasing wholeness and eternal life?

The Spiritual View: The Infinite and Eternal God Has Created Man in His Own Image

...There is an eternal quality and infinite value to human life - 49:7-9

...Man's redemption must be infinite and eternal

- Christianity: The God Revealed By Jesus Christ Is the Center and Source of All That Matters

...Focus: God...Who He is, What He says and does - 49:15

...Belief: All wholeness and redemption is from Him

- God Alone Redeems Us and Rectifies Us by Grace - Is 55:1-13; 49:7

...No need to live in ultimate fear of adversaries - 49:5

...No need to be envious of the temporarily wealthy - 49:14

...No need to crave the adulation of man - 49:16-19

- God Redeems Us...

...from the fear of death - Heb 2:14,15

...for the abundance of life - Jo 10:10