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THE  
**GOSPEL** *of* **JOHN**

THAT YOU MAY BELIEVE

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and those who have done evil to the resurrection of judgment. <sup>30</sup> “I can do nothing on my own. As I hear, I judge, and my judgment is just, because I seek not my own will but the will of him who sent me.

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# Jesus is the Life-Giving Voice

1. Death is the punishment for sin
2. Sin introduced a physical death
3. Sin introduced a spiritual death

## Ephesians 2:1-3a

And you were dead in the trespasses and sins <sup>2</sup> in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience— <sup>3</sup> among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh,

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## Ephesians 2:4-5

<sup>4</sup> But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, <sup>5</sup> even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—

# Westminster Catechism Sec. 31

The bodies of men, after death, return to dust, and see corruption: but their souls, which neither die nor sleep, having an immortal subsistence, immediately return to God who gave them:

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the souls of the righteous, being then made perfect in holiness, are received into the highest heavens, where they behold the face of God, in light and glory, waiting for the full redemption of their bodies.

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And the souls of the wicked are cast into hell, where they remain in torments and utter darkness, reserved to the judgment of the great day.

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# 1 John 3:1-3

Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. <sup>3</sup> And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

# Implications of these Truths:

1. It gives us ultimate hope
2. It fuels our own pursuit of holiness in our lives
3. It emboldens us to die triumphantly
4. It empowers us to truly forgive those who have wronged us

# Implications of these Truths:

5. It frees us from self-judgment and condemnation
6. It gives us boldness in our prayers and gospel witness.