Voices From Beyond the Grave

Can the living talk to the dead?
“Jesus wept.”
“...Do not be afraid; I am the First and the Last.”
REVELATION 1:18

“I am He who lives, and was dead, and behold, I am alive forever more. Amen.”
REVELATION 1:18

And I have the keys of Hades and of Death.”
“...I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly.”
“Jesus said to her, ‘I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live.’”
“In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.”
“All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made.”
COLOSSIANS 1:16

“For by Him all things were created... All things were created through Him and for Him.”
John 11:11

“... Our friend Lazarus sleeps ...”
"... Lazarus is dead."
“And this is the will of Him who sent Me, that everyone who sees the Son and believes in Him..."
may have everlasting life; and I will raise him up at the last day.”
“Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me.”

JOHN 14:1
“In My Father’s house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.”
“And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself;”
that where I am, there you may be also.”
MATTHEW 24:30

“Then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in heaven, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn,
MATTHEW 24:30

and they will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory.”
“And He will send His angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they will gather together His elect from the four winds,
MATTHEW 24:31
from one end of heaven to the other.”
1 Thessalonians 4:13

“But I do not want you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning those who have fallen asleep,
1 Thessalonians 4:13

lest you sorrow as others who have no hope.”
1 Thessalonians 4:14

“For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so God will bring with Him those who sleep in Jesus.”
1 Thessalonians 4:15

“For this we say to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive and remain”
1 Thessalonians 4:15

until the coming of the Lord will by no means precede those who are asleep.”
1 Thessalonians 4:16

“For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel,
1 Thessalonians 4:16

and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first.”
1 Thessalonians 4:17

“Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air.”
1 THESSALONIANS 4:17

And thus we shall always be with the Lord.”
1 Thessalonians 4:18

“Therefore comfort one another with these words.”
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2. Christians alive will be caught up with the resurrected ones.
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3. The dead are asleep in Jesus – unconscious until the resurrection.
ECCLESIASTES 9:5

“For the living know that they will die; but the dead know nothing...”
The dead know nothing.
“As the cloud disappears and vanishes away. So he who goes down to the grave does not come up.”
“He shall never return to his house, Nor shall his place know him anymore”
GENESIS 3:4

“. . . You will not surely die.”
GENESIS 2:17

“...You shall surely die.”
Psychics say:

“It is possible to communicate with our departed loved ones.”
If the dead are not conscious, who are the ‘spirits’ that do communicate to the living?
“And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs coming out of the mouth of the dragon,
out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet.”
“For they are spirits of demons, performing signs, which go out to the kings of the earth
and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty.”
THE REVELATION

Of Jesus Christ
“And war broke out in heaven: Michael and his angels fought with the dragon; and the dragon and his angels fought,
REVELATION 12:8

But they did not prevail, nor was a place found for them in heaven any longer.”
“So the great dragon was cast out, that serpent of old, called the Devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world;
he was cast to the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.”
LEVITICUS 19:31

“Give no regard to mediums and familiar spirits; do not seek after them, to be defiled by them:
LEVITICUS 19:31

I am the Lord your God.”
DEUTERONOMY 18:10

“There shall not be found among you ... a witch,
or a charmer or a consulter with familiar spirits or a wizard or a necromancer.”
"For all that do these things are an abomination unto the Lord . . ."
“You shall not permit a sorceress to live.”
“So Saul died for his unfaithfulness which he had committed against the Lord . . .”
1 CHRONICLES 10:13

and also because he consulted a medium for guidance.”
2 Corinthians 11:14

“And no wonder! For Satan himself transforms himself into an angel of light.”
And Jesus answered and said to them: 'Take heed that no one deceives you.'
“For many will come in My name, saying, ‘I am the Christ,’ and will deceive many.”
“Then if anyone says to you, ‘Look, here is the Christ!’ or ‘There!’ do not believe it.”
“For false christs and false prophets will rise and show great signs and wonders to deceive,
MATTHEW 24:24

if possible, even the elect.”
MATTHEW 24:25

“See, I have told you beforehand.”
I have seen a departed loved one alive.
I have talked to my departed husband.
I lost my son in a terrorist attack, but I visit and talk to him, he is a great comfort to me.
THIS IS THE ISSUE:
1. Will we accept God’s truth?
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2. Will we believe Satan’s lies?
Seeing is believing —

“I will believe it when I see it with my own eyes.”
REINCARNATION?
Nirvana —
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“A state of peaceful nothingness, with no personality, no intelligence, no memory,
Nirvana —

no ‘you’ as a person . . . no ability to think and love and feel and to have conscious joy.”
Nirvana —

“Where one is absorbed into the universe like one atom among all the others.”
“GOOD and EVIL are equal powers and will exist through all eternity.”
Hindus Believe

“History is cyclic.”
Jesus: The Resurrection and the Life
REVELATION 21:1

“Now I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away."
REVELATION 21:1

Also there was no more sea.”
“Then I, John, saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God,
REVELATION 21:2

prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.”
REVELATION 21:3

“And I heard a loud voice from heaven saying, ‘Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men,"
and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people. God Himself will be with them and be their God.”
“And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying.
Revelation 21:4

There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away.”
1 Peter 1:3

“Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
1 Peter 1:3

who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope
1 Peter 1:3

through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,
1 Peter 1:4

to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled and that does not fade away,
1 Peter 1:4

reserved in heaven for you.”
“And this is the testimony: that God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son.”
1 John 5:12

“He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life.”
1 JOHN 5:13

“These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God,"
1 John 5:13

that you may know that you have eternal life ...
REVELATION 3:20

“Behold, I stand at the door and knock.”
If anyone hears My voice and opens the door,
REVELATION 3:20

I will come in to him and dine with him, and he with Me.”