

JHL

"Anyone can achieve immortality"

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(can be used for any Yizkor)

I-a) An old man once said, realistically, that he doesn't fear death - but he does fear dying i.e. the wait of death is not so frightening in itself as the feeling that there is nothing beyond.

b) This points to the desire for immortality - of perpetuating self into future.

c) Three ways:

II - FIRST WAY:

a) Children - name is carried on.

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c) i.e. they carry his name, ∴ immortality

III - SECOND WAY

a) not only children - they can perpetuate name, but not to parents' credit. Illust: famous priest, son is disbarred; etc. Name is carried on -

