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KEEPING YOUR APPOINTMENT

In Hebrews 9:27 it says, *“And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment.”*

The word appointment in Greek is apokeimai which means to be reserved. In other words, there is a reservation made with death. This reservation cannot be cancelled. We will all make that appointment when it is the appointed time.

Whether you are one hour old or a hundred years old, that time will come. What determines what happens after that is a decision we make before that time. Of course, a baby and a child are innocent and will meet that appointment, called death, and immediately be in the presence of God. No, they do not have to be baptized.

But as for those of us that are of the age of accountability, and that can be very young, we will face that appointment either having made the choice to give our lives to Jesus Christ, or trust in ourselves for eternity. The Lord does not force anyone to come to him. He draws us with cords of love by his Holy Spirit. Those that yield to that bidding and receive Christ will face their appointment with the Lord as saved individuals.

Those that choose their own paths will also face Christ but will be appointed to an eternity separated apart from God. The appointment with death has been set and when it comes, we must be ready for we never know when it will be. God sets that time, and it is up to us to make sure what decision we make before it comes.

Choose wisely, there is no purgatory or second chance. We make the choice while we are alive, and there is no way out of it.