

**DEATH...** It is something that will affect 100% of us. Quite a staggering statistic, wouldn't you say? Hmm, not too many things can compare to that--100%. We **all** will experience death either by the loss of someone we love or it may be our own. No matter what, we will not escape it. Yet we live as if death couldn't happen to us.

Many people get confused about the author of death. They often blame God. Actually the devil is the author of death. God is the giver of life. God is the one who conquered death. God loves us more than we love our own children. He wants to lavish us with His love. But we have to accept it first. He doesn't force himself on us. He gave each of us our own free will.

I was guilty of thinking death could never happen to me or my family. It only happens to other people, but not us. That changed when my twenty five year old son, Zach was killed in a car accident December 1, 2007. From that moment on, my entire life changed.

As I write this, it has been a little over a year since he passed away. I have experienced so many unusual things and learned so much. Perhaps the "unusual" things have always been there to experience, but "life" just kept getting in the way. I never "stopped". I was always in a hurry and always so busy. When my son died, my life stopped. I had never felt so much pain and it went so deep. The roller coaster of emotions was overwhelming. I wasn't sure if I would ever be able to take another

breath, much less continue on with my life. But God was faithful in his love for me. He proved to me very loud and clear that He controls the universe.

As I sat down to write the outline of my story for this book, I was astonished at all that has happened in the past year. If I had not experienced it myself, I'm not sure I would have believed all this could happen to one family. I assure you, everything that is written within these pages is true.<sup>1</sup> Most of the events occurred with witnesses or we were able to take pictures as proof. I am so amazed at the depth of God's love for us.

I had always believed in God and in Heaven. But I was still a little afraid of the "unknown". Now I am so excited to go to Heaven. Who wouldn't want to go to a place where there is no heartache, pain, hunger, crime, or death....? God's promises are real. I encourage you to stop and check it out.

Psalm 19:1-4 (niv<sup>2</sup>) *"The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands. Day after day they pour forth speech; night after night they display*

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<sup>1</sup>Names have been changed

<sup>2</sup>All quoted NIV text has been reprinted from *Holy Bible New International Version Concordance* Copyright 1982, 1984 by Zondervan Corporation Grand Rapids, MI 49530

*knowledge. There is no speech or language where their voice is not heard. Their voice goes out into all the earth, their words to the ends of the world.”*

Romans: 6:23 (niv) *“For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.”*

ASK, BELIEVE, RECEIVE.....

Ask for your sins to be forgiven, Believe Christ died for your sins, Receive eternal life

Ask God for Help, Believe God hears your prayer, Receive a blessing beyond anything you can imagine