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(Thomas Brooks, "Apples of Gold" 1660)

And as the life of man is very short, so it is very uncertain.

Now well--now sick! Alive this hour--and dead the next!

Death does not always give warning beforehand; sometimes he gives the mortal blow suddenly; he comes behind with his dart, and strikes a man at the heart, before he says, "Have I found you, O my enemy?"

Eutychus fell down dead suddenly, Acts 20:9.

Death suddenly arrested David's sons and Job's sons.

Zeuxis died laughing at the picture of an old woman which he drew with his own hand!

Sophocles choked to death on the seed in a grape!

Diodorus the logician died for shame that he could not answer a witty question.

Joannes Measius, preaching upon the raising of the woman of Nain's son from the dead, within three hours after died himself!

Ah! death is sudden in his approaches.

Nothing more sure than death!

Nothing more uncertain than life!

Though there is but one way to come into this world--yet there is a thousand thousand ways to be sent out of this world!

Re: Zeuxis died laughing at the picture of an old woman -brooks - posted by enid, on: 2006/12/5 8:10

Death, both an enemy and a friend at the same time.

Death is the last enemy to be destroyed, 1 Cor 15v26.

It is a friend to the Christian, to be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord.

It is feared by the enemies of Christ, for it seals their ultimate doom.

Prepare to meet your God! Are we prepared? How ready are we for the judgment seat of Christ?

[&]quot;Prepare to meet your God!" Amos 4:12

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It will happen, sooner than we think. Let's be ready.

God bless.

Re: Zeuxis died laughing at the picture of an old woman -brooks - posted by myfirstLove (), on: 2006/12/5 14:30 very sobering. great encouragement.

James 4:14

whereas you do not know what will happen tomorrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapor that appears for a little time and then vanishes away.

Psalm 39:4-6

4 Â"LORD, make me to know my end,

And what is the measure of my days,

That I may know how frail I am.

5 Indeed, You have made my days as handbreadths,

And my age is as nothing before You;

Certainly every man at his best state is but vapor. Selah

6 Surely every man walks about like a shadow;

Surely they busy themselves in vain;

He heaps up riches,

And does not know who will gather them.

1 John 2:28

And now, little children, abide in Him, that when He appears, we may have confidence and not be ashamed before Him at His coming.