

Suggested Readings for Funerals

Hebrew Scriptures

Isaiah 25:6-9	<i>God removes death and tears</i>
Isaiah 40:28-31	<i>They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength</i>
Isaiah 43:1-3	<i>God is with you in all trials</i>
Job 19:23-27	<i>I know that my redeemer lives</i>
Jeremiah 31:10-13	<i>God turns mourning into joy</i>

Psalms

Psalm 23, 46, 90, 91, 118, 121, 130, 143

New Testament Scriptures

Romans 5:1-11	<i>Christ's death gives us life</i>
Romans 8:14-19	<i>Present suffering compared to future of glory</i>
Romans 8:31-39	<i>Nothing can separate us from God's love</i>
Romans 14:7-9	<i>In life and in death, we are God's</i>
I Corinthians 15:50-57	<i>Listen! I tell you a mystery, we shall all be changed</i>
2 Corinthians 4:16-	<i>We do not lose heart, glory yet to come</i>
I Thess. 4:13-18	<i>We grieve, but with hope</i>
2 Timothy 4:6-8	<i>Fight the good fight, finished the race</i>
I Peter 1:3-9	<i>New birth into living hope in the resurrection</i>
I John 3:1-3	<i>All will be revealed</i>
Revelation 7:9-17	<i>Saints in white before the throne of God</i>
Revelation 21:2-7	<i>God will wipe away every tear</i>

Gospel Scriptures

Matthew 11:25-30	<i>Come to me all who labor and I will give you rest</i>
John 3:12-17	<i>God's love and gift of eternal life</i>
John 6:37-40	<i>I will raise them on the last</i>
John 10:11-16	<i>I am the Good Shepherd</i>
John 11:21-27	<i>I am the resurrection and the life</i>
John 14:1-16	<i>In my Father's house there are many mansions</i>
John 14:25-29	<i>Peace, give I to you, not as the world gives</i>