

RIVER OF DEATH, SHINING ONES  
DIGGING DEEPER

1. Read Genesis 5 and 2 Kings 2. What do these passages teach about how these men entered the presence of God?

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2. Why must we all go through the River of Death before we enter heaven?

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3. Read Isaiah 43:1–2. Are you ready to pass through the River of Death? Why or why not? If not, how can you become ready?

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4. What five things that characterize the “paradise of God” are you most looking forward to? Why?

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5. Research some different “death-bed exercises” that have been recorded. Choose two and compare and contrast them to each other and to the experiences Christian and Hopeful had. What can you learn from these exercises? (See A.A. Alexander, *Christian Experience*, Banner of Truth.)

