

DEATH ON THE MISSION FIELD

Introduction: Death anywhere is a dreadful thought to the human mind, but as missionaries see souls pass away to eternity from the dismal darkness of heathen lands, we are more keenly conscious of need of the presence of the Saviour to walk with the pilgrim across this deep and icy river.

I. The Death of the Unsaved

A. In Ezek. 33:11 God says, "I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked; but that the wicked turn from his way and live"

B. Dr. Simpson's great Missionary Cry:

A hundred thousand souls a day
Are passing one by one away

In Christless guilt and gloom.

Without one ray of hope or light

With future dark as endless night,

They're passing to their doom.

O let us then Christ's coming haste,

O let us end this awful waste

Of souls that never die.

A thousand million still are lost,

A Savior's blood has paid the cost,

O hear their dying cry.

They're passing, passing fast away,

A hundred thousand souls a day,

In Christless guilt and gloom

O Church of Christ, what wilt thou say

When in the awful judgment day

They charge thee with their doom??

C. The experience at Kibbutz Gimel, in the old Philestine land of the Bible, showing the utter hopelessness of souls at the hour of death without Christ.