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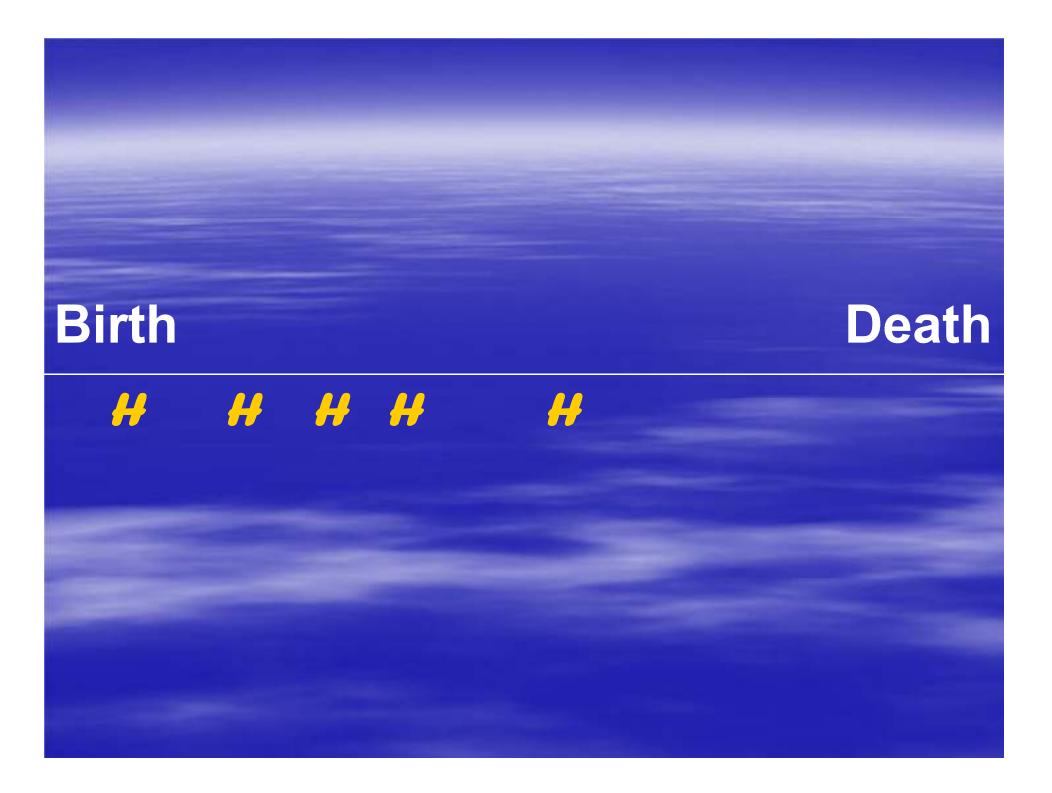
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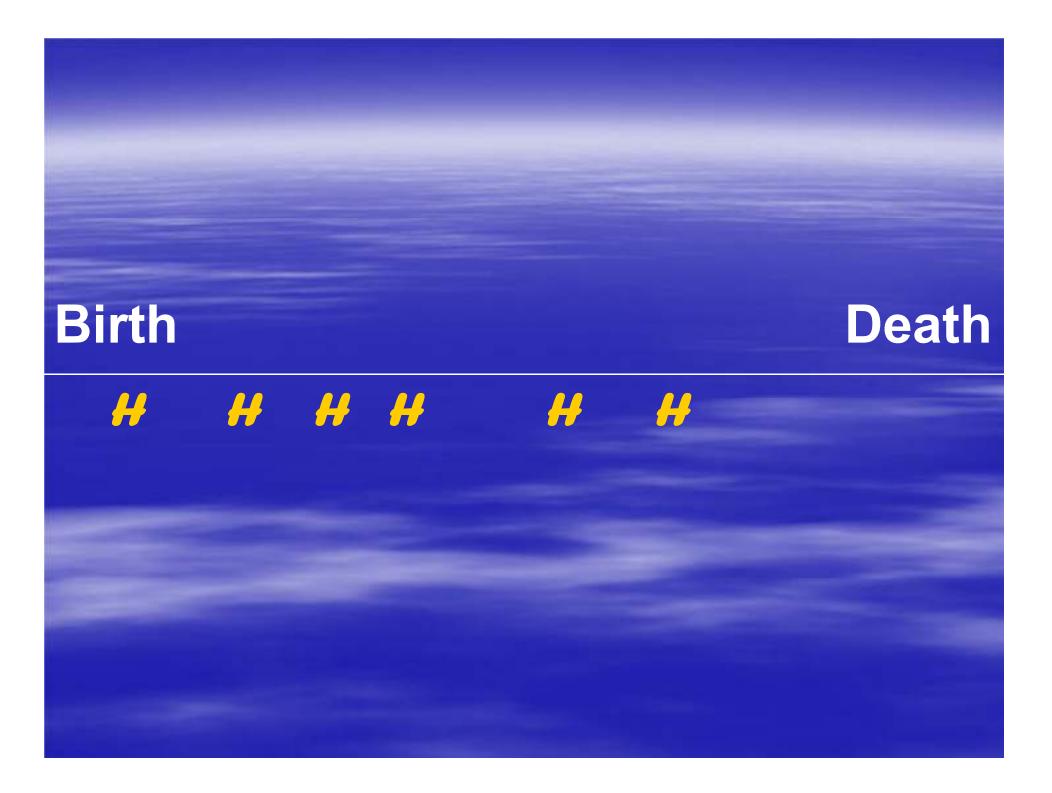
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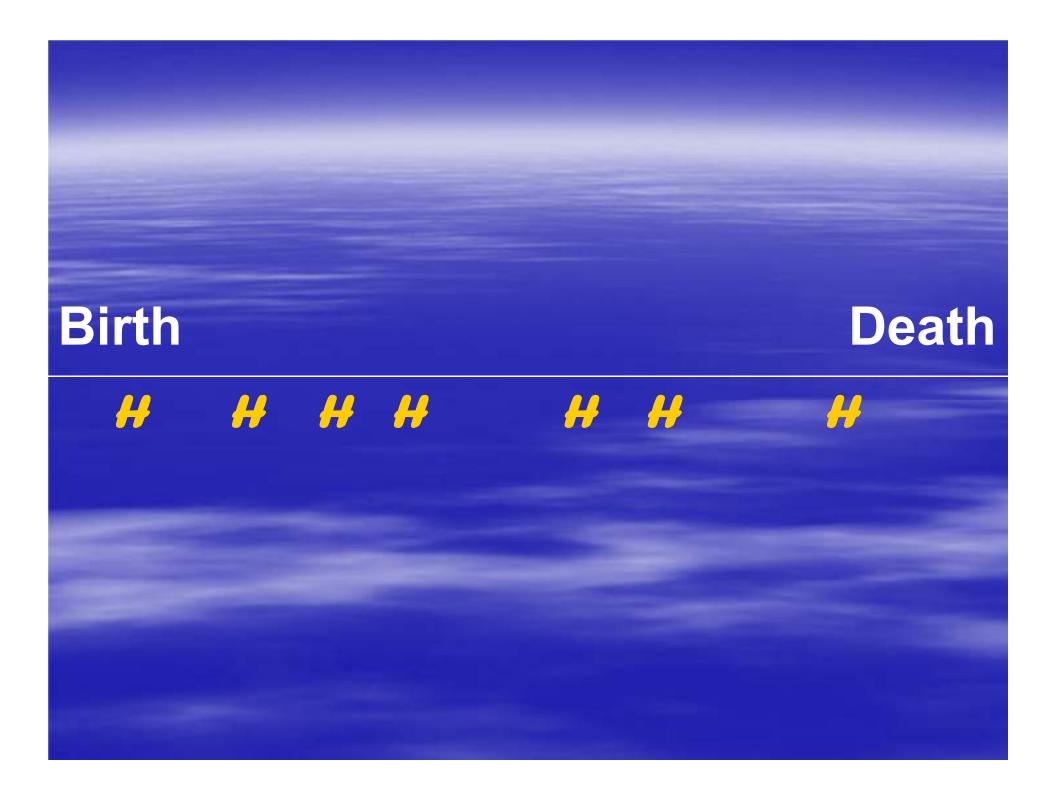
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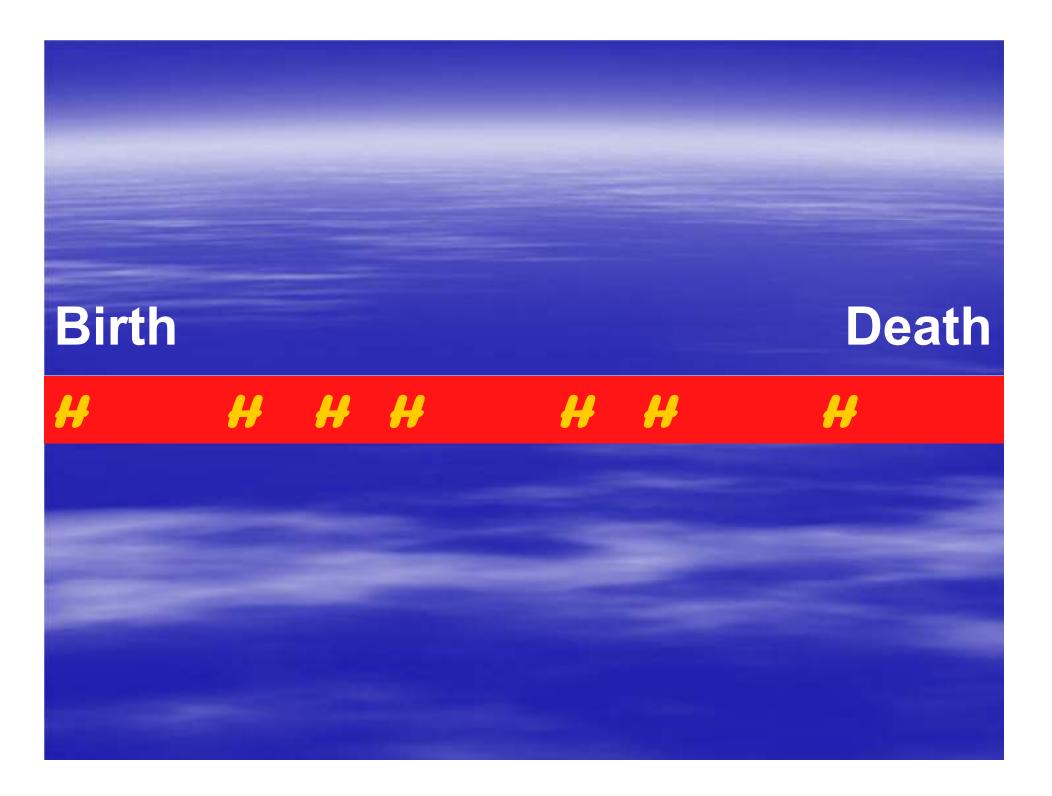
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 - -Ecclesiastes 9:9-10; 11:9





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Psalms 1:1-6

Gal. 2:20

Matthew 5:3-10

- When, by God's grace, we have found our frame of reference
 - -Who we are
 - -Where we are going
 - -How we fit into God's great scheme
- Then we can achieve blessedness
 - -Isaiah 26:3
 - -Romans 8:6, 31-39

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