

**The Gospel of
Jesus Christ**
The Resurrection Seal
(Part a)



Sting of Death
Man's dread of
Death
1 Cor. 15:55-56
Heb. 2:14

“The idea of death, the fear of it, haunts the human animal like nothing else: it is a mainspring of human activity”
– Ernest Becker, ***the Denial of Death***

Quest for Longevity

**Expressions of
the Fear**

Jam. 4:14

- 1. Health living efforts**
- 2. Transhumanism**
- 3. Cryonics**
- 4. Symbolic Immortality**
- 5. Gospel of Atheism**

1. Healthy living efforts

Expressions of
the Fear or the
Care

Psa.90:12

- a) Eating
- b) Medication
- c) Exercises
- d) Security
- e) Safety rules

2. Transhumanism

Using technologies to overcome biological limits such as aging, disease and cognitive decline.

1. Genetic engineering
2. Nanotechnology (use of nanoparticles)
3. Cryonics

Replication of brain synapses.

Challenge: Thousand trillion connections in human brain & basis of consciousness is unknown



3. CRYONICS

*Preserving a dead body at very low temperatures.
Hopes to revive person when cure shall be found.*

Video 1:

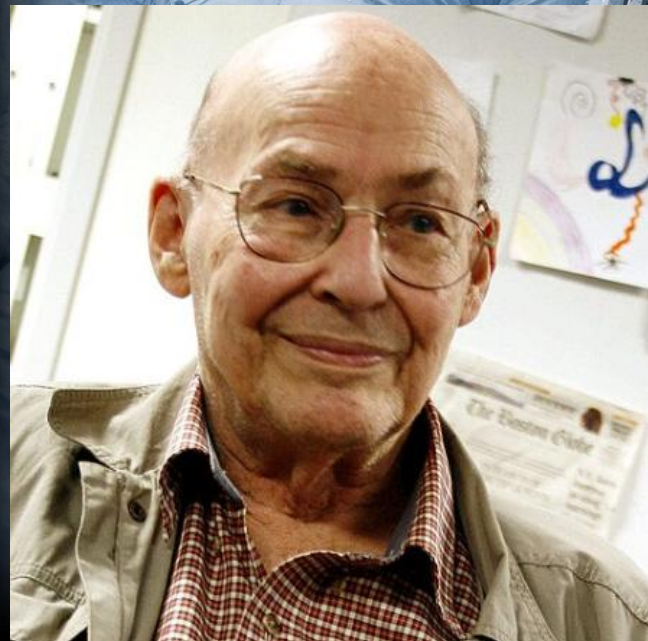
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Video 2:

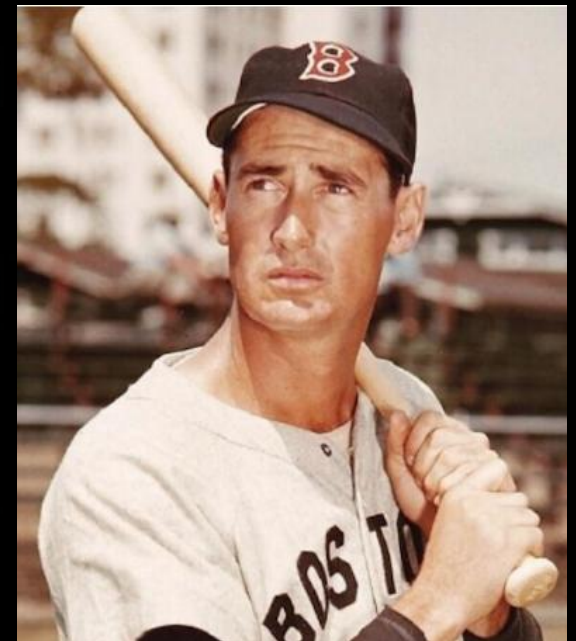
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James Bedford (died 1967)



Marvin Minsky (died 2016)



Ted Williams (died 2002)

Cryopreservation process

1. **Person declared legally dead.**
2. **Body cooled as quickly as possible (loses consciousness 10-20s, 3-5mins irreversible damage).**
3. **Blood replaced with cryoprotective solution to reduce ice crystal formation.**
4. **Body cooled to -196°C.**

**4. SYMBOLIC
IMMORTALITY**
*Through children
or legacy*



Genealogy?

Peter Ustinov: “Children are the only form of immortality that we can be sure of”



FACT: “Our genetics quickly get watered down. In twenty generations, your future offspring will only have 0.00004% of your genes. You couldn’t feed a mosquito with that”

Lee Strobel, Case for Heaven, p.16.

50 % ----- 25% -----12.5%-----6.25%----- (20thG) ----0.00004%

Cf. Exo.20:5



“To cease as though one had never been , to exit life with no hope of living on in the memory of another, to be expunged from history’s record, that is a fate literally far worse than death”

**Edwin S. Shneidman
(Professor of the study of Death,
University of California LA)**

5. The 'Gospel' of Atheism

“Non fui, fui non sum, no curo”

= I was not, I was, I am not, I do not care

“The gospel of atheism is ... that nothing happens death...there is nothing to worry about, there is nothing to fear, when after you die you are returned to that nothingness that you were before you were born. Death, therefore is not a problem. Life is the problem” **Sam Harris**.

“[Heaven is] a fairy story for people afraid of the dark” – **Stephen Hawking**

“Atheism is a fairy story for people afraid of the light” – **John Lennox**

“Ye judge yourselves unworthy of eternal life”

Acts 13:46