

This doctoral thesis aims to map the contemporary Czech society approach to the death. It particularly examines two issue areas which are both independent and interrelated: 1) the contemporary notions of death and the afterlife, 2) the funeral customs and the contemporary attitudes to them, considering the qualitative sociological research (responding 30 unbelievers and 28 believers – the members of 4 different religious groups) as compared to the national quantitative research the Detraditionalization and Individualization of Religion in the Czech Republic.