

One: Resurrected Bodies
1 Corinthians 15:35-58
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- I. Of course, the dead are raised, _____ itself
_____ us this is true.
- A. Plant world illustrates that death _____ to _____.
- B. There is continuity between the _____ and the
_____ body.
- C. There are different resurrected bodies but they will all be
_____.
- D. Christian funeral is not goodbye, but rather a _____.

II. _____ to _____ for all eternity.

- A. _____.
- B. _____.
- C. _____.
- D. Given a new _____.

III. The first Adam tied us to _____, the second Adam
ties us to _____.

Romans 8:17

and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him. (ESV)

IV. Christ's return swallows up the _____.

- A. Need _____ to inherit eternal life.
- B. _____.

1. When a believer dies they go to be with Christ and this is better than life here on earth.

Philippians 1:21-23

For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. ²²If am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me. Yet which I shall choose I cannot tell. ²³I am hard pressed between the two. My desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better. (ESV)

2. When a believer dies there is no loss of consciousness nor is it soul sleep, but rather a time for a believer to look forward to and rejoice.

2 Corinthians 5:8

Yes, we are of good courage, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. (ESV)

Luke 23:43

And he said to him, "Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in paradise." (ESV)

3. Yet, we are also waiting for the return of Christ, where we, as believers, will be given the glorified body.

1 Thessalonians 4:14-15

For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep. ¹⁵For this we declare to you by a word from the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep. (ESV)

Romans 8:11

If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you. (ESV)

V. Your labor is _____ in _____.

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Small Group Questions

*You do NOT have to answer or discuss every question. Feel free to just pick a few. These are meant to guide you in truth. If you are having trouble answering a question, ask your small group leader to help you. They are committed to helping you develop as an authentic follower of Christ.

The COMMUNITY:

1. How often do you think about eternity? What specifically comes to mind when you do?

Into the WORD/APPLICATION:

Here are some suggested sites in order to dive deeper into God's Word: blueletterbible.org, desiringgod.org/articles/all, biblos.com, ccel.org, logos.com, connect.ligonier.org, thegospelcoalition.org/channel/bible-and-theology.

1. Read 1 Corinthians 15:35-58 and answer the following questions:
 - a. Pastor Shaun said that a "Christian funeral is not goodbye, but rather a planting." What did he mean by this? (consider 1 Corinthians 15:40-43 and Paul's illustration of the natural world)

- b. How should 1 Corinthians 15:42 have an impact on the way we live today?

- c. Spend time talking about the fact that one day we will worship God for all eternity without the hindrances of sin and suffering.

- d. Pastor Shaun talked about the first Adam (in Genesis) and the second Adam (Jesus). Why is it important that the first Adam was a literal, historical person? (consider 1 Corinthians 15:45-49 and Romans 5)

- e. 1 Corinthians 15:50-51 gives us a glimpse of the hope of Jesus' return. How does knowing that Christ will return shape your view of current events in our world and your role to herald the gospel?