

BODILY RESURRECTION

BOLDLY RESOLUTE

1 CORINTHIANS 15:31-58

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WITHOUT THE RESURRECTION...

1 COR 15:15-19

1. OUR PREACHING IS IN VAIN;
2. YOUR FAITH ALSO IS IN VAIN;
3. WE ARE FALSE WITNESSES;
4. YOUR FAITH IS WORTHLESS;
5. YOU ARE STILL IN YOUR SINS;
6. EVERYONE WHO HAS ALREADY DIED HAS PERISHED;
7. WE ARE OF ALL MEN MOST TO BE PITIED.

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1ST CORINTHIANS OUTLINE

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BOOK THEME VERSE

**1 COR. 2:2 – “FOR I DETERMINED TO
KNOW NOTHING AMONG YOU EXCEPT
JESUS CHRIST, AND HIM CRUCIFIED.”**

LESSON THEME

JUST AS JESUS CHRIST WAS RAISED FROM THE DEAD, ALL CHRISTIANS WILL BE RAISED IN PERFECT RESURRECTION BODIES. THIS TRUTH SHOULD SPUR US ON TO CONTINUE SERVING THE LORD WITH BOLDNESS

LESSON VERSE

1 COR. 15:58 – “THEREFORE, MY BELOVED BRETHREN, BE STEADFAST, IMMOVABLE, ALWAYS ABOUNDING IN THE WORK OF THE LORD, KNOWING THAT YOUR TOIL IS NOT IN VAIN IN THE LORD.”

LESSON OUTLINE

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PAUL'S ORIENTATION AND WARNING

- A. PAUL USES THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF HIS OWN LIFE TO DEMONSTRATE HIS SURE HOPE IN THE RESURRECTION.
- B. PAUL WARNS THEM TO FLEE TEACHERS WHO DENY THE TRUTH OF THE RESURRECTION.

PAUL'S PROPOSED OBJECTION

**“HOW ARE THE DEAD RAISED? AND WITH WHAT
KIND OF BODY DO THEY COME?”**

YOU FOOL!

PAUL'S ILLUSTRATED ARGUMENT

- A. GOD, IN HIS CREATIVE POWER, WILL RAISE US FIT FOR A HEAVENLY EXISTENCE.
- B. THE BODY THAT IS SOWN DIFFERS FROM THE BODY THAT IS RAISED.

SOWN VS. RAISED

Perishable Body	Imperishable Body
In Dishonor	In Glory
In Weakness	In Power
Natural Body	Spiritual Body

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- C. WE ARE BORN IN THE IMAGE OF ADAM, BUT WILL BE RAISED IN THE IMAGE OF CHRIST.

PAUL'S ENLIGHTENING EXPLANATION

- A. THE CHANGE IS ESSENTIAL. (v. 50-51)
- B. THE CHANGE WILL BE SUDDEN. (v. 52)
- C. THE CHANGE WILL BE COMPLETE. (v. 52-53)
- D. THE CHANGE WILL BE VICTORIOUS (v. 54-57)

PAUL'S CONFIDENT EXHORTATION

1. BELIEVER SHOULD BE PERSISTENT.
2. BELIEVERS SHOULD BE PRODUCTIVE.
3. BELIEVERS SHOULD BE POISED.

APPLICATION

- **RECOGNIZE THAT OUR HOPE (CERTAINTY) IS IN THE RISEN SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST. TO HOPE IN ANYTHING ELSE IS WORTHLESS.**
- **REHEARSE THE TRUTH OF THE RESURRECTION AND LET IT NOURISH YOU SO THAT YOU REMAIN STEADFAST.**
- **WE KNOW HOW THE STORY ENDS, BUT WE DON'T KNOW WHEN IT ENDS. SHARE THE GOSPEL TODAY! YOUR LABOR IS NOT IN VAIN.**
- **LET YOUR ACHES AND YOUR WEEDS REMIND YOU THAT A DAY IS COMING WHEN YOU WILL PUT ON A NEW RESURRECTION BODY.**

IF WE REALLY BELIEVE...

“IF WE REALLY BELIEVE AND IF WE ARE TRULY THANKFUL THAT OUR RESURRECTION IS SURE, THAT WE WILL BE TRANSFORMED FROM THE PERISHABLE, DISHONORABLE, WEAK, NATURAL, MORTAL, AND EARTHY, TO THE IMPERISHABLE, GLORIOUS, POWERFUL, SPIRITUAL, IMMORTAL, AND HEAVENLY — WE SHOULD THEREFORE PROVE OUR ASSURANCE AND OUR THANKFULNESS BY BEING STEADFAST, IMMOVABLE, ALWAYS ABOUNDING IN THE WORK OF THE LORD.”

-JOHN MACARTHUR