



SCRIPTURE

1 Corinthians 15:35-58

BIG IDEA

The foundation of Christianity rests solely on the fact that Jesus Christ rose from the dead. The resurrection means that sin, death, and hopelessness do not win—Jesus does. It means the grave does not win, and the empty tomb is the final word of Jesus. It means Jesus really did die for our sin and really did rise for our salvation. The resurrection of Jesus promises that He will one day resurrected all those who believe in Him, giving them eternally perfect bodies. Let us celebrate and remember the life-changing, life-giving, death-defeating, joy-increasing fact that Jesus is alive!

DISCUSSION

1. Was there anything from the sermon or big idea that ***stood out*** to you, ***challenged*** you, or ***confused*** you?
2. What are some examples from nature of how death has to occur to bring about life?
3. As believers in Jesus, how will our resurrection bodies be different from our current bodies (1 Cor. 15: 42– 49)? Related to this, what is the difference between a “natural body” and a “spiritual body”?
4. What will it mean for believers to “bear the image of the heavenly man” (1 Cor. 15: 49) in our resurrected bodies? How does the teaching of Genesis 1: 26– 28 on creation in the image of God impact our understanding of what it means to “bear the image of the heavenly man”?
5. Immortality would be an awful misery rather than an incredible blessing if we were not changed but left in our current condition. Why is this so? According to 1 Corinthians 15:58, how does the reality of resurrection change the way that we live and serve Christ in the present?
6. How will you live and serve differently in the next week or month as a result of what you have learned this past Sunday and tonight's passage in 1 Corinthians 15?

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- This Friday night and Saturday, April 10th and 11th, we need volunteers to help with the **Annual Muskogee Chili Cook Off**. Please let Megan Forgey know if you are willing to help out with the cooking, setting up, manning our Ekklesia booth, and/or tearing down afterwards.

*[[Any questions you may have can be submitted to **Megan Forgey**.
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