



First Corinthians

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The Resurrection, Part 3: The Nature of the Resurrection Body

1 Corinthians 15:35-58
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Theme: Some at Corinth were mocking the idea that our physical bodies will be raised from the dead. Paul takes this opportunity to describe the nature of the glorified, immortal and imperishable bodies that we will receive when Christ returns and the ultimate defeat of death that will take place at that time.

Outline

1. The Nature of the Resurrection Body (15:35–49)
 - a. The question, v. 35

 - b. Analogy of a seed and a plant, vv. 36-37

c. Analogy of different species, vv. 38–41

d. An imperishable, glorified, powerful and spiritual body, vv. 42–44a

e. Jesus, the new Adam, is our model, vv. 44b-49

2. The Transformation from the Perishable to the Imperishable (15:50-57)

a. A new imperishable existence, vv. 50-51

b. The timing: at the last trumpet, the return of Christ, v. 52a

c. The dead raised, 52b

d. The living “changed,” 52c.

e. The defeat of death, 54b–57

3. The Application (15:58)

Takeaway: Confidence in the resurrection provides hope through life’s most difficult circumstances.

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