

# 1 Corinthians 15 - Resurrection and Judgement

**John 11:21-24** "Then said Martha unto Jesus, Lord, if thou hadst been here, my brother had not died.... Jesus saith unto her, **Thy brother shall rise again.** Martha saith unto him, I know that he shall rise again in the resurrection at the last day."

**Dan 12:2** "And many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, some to shame and everlasting contempt."

**Dan 11:40** This resurrection occurs at the "time of the end"

Resurrection and Judgment occurs before Armageddon: **1 Pet 4:17**. The Saints are then with Christ when he comes in **judgment on the nations** at Armageddon and in its aftermath: **Zech 14:5; Joel 3:11; Deut 33:1-3; Hab 3:3-6; Psa 68:17; Rev 1:7; 14:4; 17:14; 19:11-21.**

**1 Cor 15:1-2: Resurrection from the dead a fundamental aspect of the gospel message:** The gospel is the means by which we are saved if we endure until the end: **Matt 10:22; Rev 2:25.**

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<sup>3</sup> By Christ's resurrection, <sup>12</sup> he proveth the necessity of our resurrection. <sup>35</sup> The manner thereof.

**M**OREOVER, brethren, I declare unto you <sup>9</sup> the gospel <sup>1</sup> which I preached unto you, which also ye have received, and <sup>8</sup> wherein ye stand;

<sup>2</sup> By which also ye are <sup>4</sup> saved, if ye <sup>3</sup> keep in memory <sup>3</sup> what I preached unto you, <sup>5</sup> unless ye have believed in vain.

## 1 Cor 15:19-23: The Resurrection of Christ gives us hope for the future

Adam's sin resulted in all mankind being subject to death.

If we are "in Christ" through faith and baptism, we become heirs of the promise: **Col 4:1-4; Gal 3:29.**

Jesus Christ was the first one to be given immortality. The Saints will be made immortal at Christ's return.

## 1 Cor 15:42-45: The bodies of faithful believers will be given immortality at the resurrection

**Gen 2:7:** "man became a living soul" Not immortal soul, but a living creature. The "last Adam" is Christ, who was made immortal when resurrected.

## Resurrection a fundamental Bible Teaching:

Christ's resurrection the guarantee of our resurrection. Christ will one day return to judge the world: **Acts 17:31; Heb 9:28; 2 Cor 5:1-4**

Resurrection our only true hope: **1 Cor 15:19-23; Acts 23:6**

Resurrection at Christ's return: **1 Cor 15:23; 1 Thess 4:16; Matt 25:31**

Knowledge determines responsibility: **John 9:41; 12:47-48**

Resurrection of both just and unjust: **Dan 12:2; Acts 24:15; Jn 5:28-29**

Those ignorant of gospel not resurrected: **Prov 21:16; Psa 49:18-20; Isa 26:14; 43:17; Jer 51:57; Rom 2:12**

Resurrected mortal: **Dan 12:2; 1 Cor 15:53; Rom 8:11; Phil 3:21**

Dead resurrected 1st. Living taken with them to judgement: **1 Thess 4:15-18**

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<sup>19</sup> If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men most miserable.

<sup>20</sup> But now <sup>18</sup> is Christ risen from the dead, and <sup>2</sup> become the firstfruits of them that slept.

<sup>21</sup> For <sup>16</sup> since by man <sup>1</sup> came death, <sup>17</sup> by man <sup>1</sup> came also the resurrection of the dead.

<sup>22</sup> For <sup>15</sup> as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

<sup>23</sup> But every man in his own order: Christ the firstfruits; <sup>14</sup> afterward they that are Christ's <sup>13</sup> at his coming.

<sup>42</sup> <sup>1</sup> So also <sup>2</sup> is the resurrection of the dead. It is sown in <sup>1</sup> corruption; it is raised in <sup>2</sup> incorruption:

<sup>43</sup> <sup>1</sup> It is sown in dishonour; it is raised in glory: it is sown in weakness; it is raised in power:

<sup>44</sup> It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. There is a <sup>1</sup> natural body, and there is a spiritual body.

<sup>45</sup> And so it is written, <sup>1</sup> The first man Adam was made a living soul; <sup>2</sup> the last Adam was made <sup>3</sup> a quickening spirit.

"For the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice, and shall come forth..." **John 5:28-29**

"We must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ" **2 Cor 5:10**

<sup>50</sup> Now this I say, brethren, that <sup>1</sup> flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; neither doth <sup>2</sup> corruption inherit incorruption.

<sup>51</sup> Behold, I shew you a mystery; <sup>3</sup> We shall not all sleep, but <sup>4</sup> we shall all be changed,

<sup>52</sup> In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for <sup>1</sup> the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.

<sup>53</sup> For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and <sup>4</sup> this mortal <sup>5</sup> must put on immortality.

<sup>54</sup> So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, <sup>1</sup> Death is swallowed up in victory.

<sup>55</sup> <sup>1</sup> O death, where <sup>2</sup> is thy sting? <sup>2</sup> O grave, where <sup>3</sup> is thy victory?

<sup>56</sup> The sting of death <sup>1</sup> is sin; and <sup>2</sup> the strength of sin <sup>3</sup> is the law.

<sup>57</sup> But thanks <sup>1</sup> be to God, which giveth us <sup>2</sup> the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>58</sup> Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.

## 1 Cor 15:50-58: Resurrection a hope that motivates us to action.

The saints will be perfect, both physically and morally: **Jude 1:24**

Our mortal bodies will be changed to immortality.

**v58** The power of basic doctrine: Belief in Resurrection encourages and motivates us in our labours in God's ecclesia. Abraham's belief in resurrection led him to act against his own natural feelings in obedience to God: **Heb 11:19.**

## Christ returns to judge the living and the dead:

Christ's 2nd coming: **Acts 1:11; 1 Thess 4:16-17; Jn 5:28-29; Rev 22:7,12,20**

Christ comes with power and great glory: **Luke 21:24-27**

Be alert and ready for Christ's return: **Mk 13:32-27; Luke 21:36; Rev 16:15**

The Judgment Seat of Christ: **Matt 25:19-34; 2 Tim 1:1,7-8; 4:1**

When Christ returns we are either forgiven or unforgiven: **Rev 22:11-12**

Our judgment of others determines how God will judge us. If we forgive others, then God will forgive us: **Matt 7:1-5; 18:28-35; Luke 15:28; Rom 14:10,13.**

Some will be judged unworthy: **Matt 25:41; John 12:49**

Those judged worthy granted immortality: **Rom 2:7; 1 Cor 15:53; Mt 25:34-46**

Those made immortal will reign with Christ 1000 years: **Rev 20:6**