

THE RESURRECTION IN REVIEW

1 Corinthians 15:

THE RESURRECTION IS THE BEGINNING OF:

- The last days and eschatology;
- The inauguration of the kingdom of God;
- The foundation for the New Covenant;
- The hope and expectation and deep longing of every believer.

THE RESURRECTION

- ...and Jesus' Recognition -- Romans 1:1–6
 - Jesus is deity, the Son of God
 - Jesus is the Christ, our Sovereign Lord.
 - Jesus is the Master, to Whom we Belong

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- ...and Jesus' Reign -- Acts 2:23–36
 - The Centrality of Jesus' Work (v.22-35)
 - The Culmination of Jesus' Work (v.36)

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- ...and our Regeneration -- 1 Peter 1:3–5
 - God's Regenerating Mercy (v.3)
 - God's Reserved Inheritance (v.4)
 - God's Preserving Power (v.5)

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- ...our New Life -- Colossians 2:20–3:4
 - The Meaning of our Death with Christ (v.20-23)
 - A Problem (v.20-21)
 - A Reason (v.22-23)
 - The Meaning of our Resurrection with Christ (v.1-4)
 - Its Responsibility (v.1-2)
 - Its Reason (v.3-4)

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- ...and Jesus' Return -- 1 Corinthians 15:50-58
 - The Problem in this World (v. 50)
 - The Prospect at His Return (v. 51-53)
 - The Promise of a Final Victory (v. 54-57)

REFLECT AND RESPOND

- The resurrection is not just about the past, even though it is a historical fact of the past.
- The resurrection is not just about the future, even though it is a glorious hope for believers.
- The resurrection is a powerful, life-shaping truth for our lives today:
 - To believe in it for our salvation;
 - To understand it for our transformation;
 - To hope in it for our courage when facing death;
 - To proclaim it as how Christ rules and reigns today.

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- The resurrection transforms us from bodies that are:
 - Perishable to imperishable
 - Humiliation to glory
 - Weakness to power
 - Natural to spiritual
- Natural, we are now people of earth, stamped with the image of clay.
- Spiritual, we will then be people of heaven, stamped with image of Christ.

THERE WILL BE A GREAT CLIMAX
ONE GLORIOUS DAY.

Revelation 7:9-17

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After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!"

And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, saying, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?"

I said to him, "Sir, you know."

And he said to me, "These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb."

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"Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence.

They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat.

For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."