

First Baptist Church – Odessa

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Date: _____

“My Best Life”

“Calvary’s Enough” – Pt. 8

1 Corinthians 15:50-57 & Selected

“This is the end – for me the beginning of life.”

Dietrich Bonhoeffer

April 9, 1945

My Best Life Will Be When...

I. _____ with God in Heaven begins.

“I tell you this, brothers: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.” Vs. 50

“For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me. Yet which I shall choose I cannot tell. I am hard pressed between the two. My desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better. But to remain in the flesh is more necessary on your account.”

Philippians 1:21-24

“And this is eternal life, that they know you the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent.” John 17:3

“Enter by the narrow gate. For the gate is wide and the way is easy that leads to destruction, and those who enter by it are many. For the gate is narrow and the way is hard that leads to life, and those who find it are few.”

Matthew 7:13-14

“For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.” John 3:16

II. I am _____ in immortality and death is no more.

“Behold! I tell you a mystery.” Vs. 51a

- **Some Christians will not experience _____ death.**
"We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet." Vs. 51b-52a

- _____ **Christians will be resurrected and glorified.**
"For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable."
 Vs. 52b

- **All Christians will become _____.**
"For this perishable body must put on the imperishable, and this mortal body must put on immortality." Vs. 53

- _____ **Has Lost Its Power**
"When the perishable puts on the imperishable, and the mortal puts on immortality, then shall come to pass the saying that is written: 'Death is swallowed up in victory.' 'O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?'" Vs. 54-55

- **The Grip of _____ Has Been Broken**
"The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law." Vs. 56

III. I am celebrating the _____ of Jesus for all eternity!

"But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."
 Vs. 57