



Resurrection Hope

Small Group Study Questions

Sermon on March 17, 2024

1 Corinthians 15:20-28 (NASB)

20 But the fact is, Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who are asleep. 21 For since by a man death came, by a man also came the resurrection of the dead. 22 For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ all will be made alive. 23 But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, after that those who are Christ's at His coming, 24 then comes the end, when He hands over the kingdom to our God and Father, when He has abolished all rule and all authority and power. 25 For He must reign until He has put all His enemies under His feet. 26 The last enemy that will be abolished is death. 27 For He has put all things in subjection under His feet. But when He says, "All things are put in subjection," it is clear that this excludes the Father who put all things in subjection to Him. 28 When all things are subjected to Him, then the Son Himself will also be subjected to the One who subjected all things to Him, so that God may be all in all.

DIGGING DEEPER

What types of groups do you represent? Do you like representing those groups, or are they embarrassing to be part of?

Read 1 Corinthians 15:20-22

How does the tradition of giving the “first fruits” apply to how we use our income today? (See Proverb 3:9-10; Exodus 23:19; Leviticus 23:10 for information on first-fruits)

If Jesus’ resurrection is the first fruit, what are our guarantees because he was raised?

According to the verses, what is man’s condition? What is man’s condition in Christ?

Read 1 Corinthians 15:23-26

Does knowing that there is an order to the different resurrections make a difference in your life? How so?

Putting aside the different beliefs about how the end times happen, according to this passage, what is the last thing to happen?

What would it mean if Jesus didn’t conquer death? What if death was still a thing at the end?

DIGGING DEEPER

Read 1 Corinthians 15:27-28

Why does it matter that the Son is in subjection to the Father?

How does the hope of Christ's ultimate victory and the establishment of God's reign influence our perspective on current struggles and challenges?

How can we hold firmly the word about the resurrection of Christ this week?

TAKING IT HOME

PRAYER REQUEST

