

DISCIPLESHIP RESOURCES

DISCUSSION GUIDES

EVERY MONDAY

Discussion Guide Sunday Sermon 6.14.26



Part 28: The Impact of the Resurrection, Continued

This guide is designed to help your family or group take what was taught on Sunday and move from simply hearing the information to applying it in ways that build up and encourage one another. Feel free to adjust the depth and number of questions based on your time and the size of your group.

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Based on 1 Corinthians 15

Opening Prayer

Begin your group time with prayer, asking the Holy Spirit to open hearts and minds to the truth of the resurrection and its implications for daily living.

Icebreaker

Share a time when something you valued became "watered down" or lost its original quality. How did that make you feel? (This connects to the sermon's opening illustration about watered-down sweet tea.)

Key Takeaways

1. The Resurrection Ensures Meaning to Life (vv. 29-34)

- Without the resurrection, life is ultimately meaningless
- Our trials, struggles, and sacrifices matter because Christ rose from the dead
- We're called to "awake to righteousness" and live with eternal purpose

2. The Resurrection Ensures Our Future Resurrection (vv. 35-49)

- We will receive real, physical, glorified bodies
- We will maintain our identity and recognize one another in heaven
- Our bodies will be imperishable, never aging or dying
- We will be made perfectly in God's image

3. The Resurrection Ensures Final Victory (vv. 50-58)

- Jesus is coming back—the rapture could happen at any moment
 - Death has lost its sting for believers
 - We are called to be "steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord"
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Discussion Questions

Understanding the Text

1. **Read 1 Corinthians 15:29-34.** Why does Paul say that if there's no resurrection, we might as well "eat, drink, for tomorrow we die"? What does this reveal about the importance of the resurrection?

2. **Look at verse 33: "Evil company corrupts good habits."** How had the Corinthians been influenced by those around them? Who are we listening to today that might be watering down our faith?
3. **Read verses 50-58.** What does Paul mean when he says this transformation will happen "in the twinkling of an eye"? How should the immediacy of Christ's return affect how we live?

Personal Reflection

4. **The "Watered-Down Faith" Challenge:** On a scale of 1-10, how would you honestly rate the "supernatural" quality of your Christian life? Are you living expecting God to work miracles, or have you settled for a more "natural" approach to faith?
5. **What areas of your life reveal that you might not fully believe in or live according to the resurrection?** (Examples: prayers without expectation, solving problems only through human wisdom, living comfortably like the world)
6. **The sermon mentioned that many people pray prayers without expecting answers.** When was the last time you prayed with genuine expectation that God would answer? What holds you back from praying with faith that your prayers will be answered?

Applying the Truth

7. **Verse 58 calls us to be "steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord."**
 - Which of these three qualities is most lacking in your life right now?
 - What specific step could you take this week to grow in that area?
8. **The pastor said, "Satan is cool with us gathering on Sunday mornings as long as we don't take it with us."** What does it look like practically to take Sunday's message into Monday through Saturday?
9. **Knowing that we will one day have glorified, resurrected bodies that will never fail—how should this truth change:**
 - How we view aging and physical limitations?
 - How we respond to the death of loved ones?
 - How we invest our time and energy now?

Going Deeper

10. **The sermon mentioned that with current technology and global conditions, the rapture seems more possible than ever.** How should the nearness of Christ's return affect our priorities, relationships, and daily decisions?

11. **Read verse 34: "Awake to righteousness and do not sin, for some do not have the knowledge of God."** What sins or worldly entertainments are we comfortable with that Christ actually died for? How can we help each other "awaken"?
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Practical Applications

This Week's Challenge: Choose One

Option 1: The Supernatural Prayer Experiment

- Identify one specific situation where you need God to work
- Commit to praying about it daily with genuine expectation
- Journal what happens and share with the group next week

Option 2: The Steadfast Audit

- Evaluate your weekly schedule
- Identify one area where you're not being "steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord"
- Make one concrete change to align your time with kingdom priorities

Option 3: The Accountability Partner

- Pair up with someone in the group
- Share one specific way your faith has become "watered down"
- Commit to checking in with each other throughout the week

Group Action Step

Guard What You Listen To: As a group, commit to being more intentional about who you give your ear to—both in person and online. Consider doing a "social media audit" of the voices influencing your faith.

Memory Verse

1 Corinthians 15:58 "Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord."

Closing Reflection

Silent Reflection (2-3 minutes): Ask each person to silently consider: *"If Jesus came back right now, would I be ready? Am I living a supernatural Christian life, or have I settled for a watered-down version of faith?"*

Closing Prayer:

- Pray for the boldness of Christ in order to live supernatural lives
 - Pray for the group to be steadfast and immovable in faith
 - Pray for anyone who may have doubts about their salvation
 - Thank God for the victory we have through the resurrection
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For Next Week

- Read 1 Corinthians 16 in preparation for the next study
 - Reflect on how the resurrection has practically impacted your week
 - Be prepared to share one way you lived differently because of this truth
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Leader Notes

- Be sensitive to those who may be grieving loved ones—the resurrection is meant to bring hope
- If anyone expresses doubt about their salvation, take time after the group to talk privately
- Encourage honest sharing about struggles with "watered-down faith"
- Keep the focus on hope and victory, not fear about the rapture