### 1 Corinthians 15:35-58

# **Small Group Guide: The Resurrection Body**

## **Key Takeaways:**

- 1. The resurrection is central to the Christian faith and provides hope for believers.
- 2. Our current bodies are corruptible, but we will receive incorruptible, glorified bodies in the resurrection.
- 3. The rapture will unite believers' spirits with their new resurrection bodies.
- 4. Salvation and eternal life come only through faith in Jesus Christ.
- 5. Our resurrected bodies will be equipped for eternal life in God's presence.

#### **Discussion Questions:**

- 1. How does understanding the concept of a resurrection body impact your view of death and eternity?
- 2. The pastor mentioned that our current bodies are "damaged goods" due to sin. How does this perspective change how you view your current struggles or physical limitations?
- 3. What aspects of the resurrection body are you most looking forward to? Why?
- 4. How does the promise of a glorified body in eternity motivate you in your daily Christian walk?
- 5. The sermon emphasized that salvation comes only through Jesus Christ. How would you explain this truth to someone who believes all religions lead to the same place?
- 6. How does the knowledge that believers will be "forever with the Lord" (1 Thessalonians 4:17) comfort you in times of loss or grief?
- 7. The pastor quoted 1 Corinthians 15:58, encouraging believers to be "steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord." How can we apply this in our daily lives, especially when facing challenges?

#### **Practical Applications:**

- 1. Memorize 1 Corinthians 15:54-55 this week as a reminder of Christ's victory over death.
- 2. Write a letter to yourself, describing how the hope of resurrection impacts your current perspective on life's challenges.
- 3. Share the gospel with someone this week, emphasizing the hope we have in Christ's resurrection.
- 4. Spend time in prayer, thanking God for the promise of resurrection and asking Him to help you live in light of this hope.
- 5. Identify one area of your life where you struggle with "corruptible" thoughts or actions. Develop a plan to address this area, remembering the future glorified state awaiting believers.
- 6. Reach out to someone who has recently lost a loved one and offer comfort based on the truths discussed in this sermon.
- 7. Reflect on how you can use your current body to serve God and others more effectively, even as you look forward to your future glorified body.