

He is Risen: Christ's Victory Over Sin and Death

1 Corinthians 15:54-58
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1 Corinthians 15:21-22 [Legacy Standard Bible]

²¹For since by a man came death, by a man also came the resurrection of the dead.

²²For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ all will be made alive.

Sin

Hamartia = "missing the mark"

Definition: **Transgressing God's perfect standard.**

Deuteronomy 6:5 (LSB)

⁵"You shall love Yahweh your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might.

James 2:10 (LSB)

¹⁰For whoever keeps the whole law and yet stumbles in one point, he has become guilty of all.

Sin

Romans 3:23 (LSB)

²³for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,

Romans 5:18–19 (LSB)

¹⁸So then as through one transgression there resulted condemnation to all men...

¹⁹For as through the one man's disobedience the many were appointed sinners...

The Effects of the Fall – Symptoms of the “Old”

1. Man has become a sinner, committing vile deeds of the flesh.

Galatians 5:19-21 [Legacy Standard Bible]

¹⁹Now the deeds of the flesh are evident, which are: sexual immorality, impurity, sensuality,
²⁰idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, outbursts of anger, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions,
²¹envying, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these, of which I forewarn you, just as I have forewarned you, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

Romans 5:12 [Legacy Standard Bible]

¹²Therefore, just as through one man sin entered into the world, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men, because all sinned—

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1. Man has become a sinner, committing vile deeds of the flesh.
2. Physical death followed by judgment.

Hebrews 9:27 (LSB)

²⁷And inasmuch as it is appointed for men to die once and after this comes judgment,

Death Physical; Death Spiritual

Revelation 20:12 (LSB)

¹²Then I saw the dead, the great and the small, standing before the throne, and books were opened; and another book was opened, which is the book of life. And the dead were judged from the things which were written in the books, according to their deeds.

Revelation 20:14–15 (LSB)

¹⁴Then death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. This is the second death, the lake of fire.

¹⁵And if anyone's name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire.

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1. Man has become a sinner, committing vile deeds of the flesh.
2. Physical death followed by judgment.
3. Curse upon all creation.

Romans 8:20-22 (LSB)

²⁰For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of Him who subjected it, in hope

²¹that the creation itself also will be set free from its slavery to corruption into the freedom of the glory of the children of God.

²²For we know that the whole creation groans and suffers the pains of childbirth together until now.

Galatians 4:4-5 (LSB)

⁴But when the fullness of the time came, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the Law,
⁵so that He might redeem those who were under the Law, that we might receive the adoption as sons.

1 Corinthians 15:22 (LSB)

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Revelation 21:4-7 (LSB)

⁴and He will wipe away every tear from their eyes; and there will no longer be any death; there will no longer be any mourning, or crying, or pain. The first things passed away.”

⁵And He who sits on the throne said, “Behold, I am making all things new.” And He said, “Write, for these words are faithful and true.”

⁶Then He said to me, “They are done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give to the one who thirsts from the spring of the water of life without cost.

⁷”He who overcomes will inherit these things, and I will be his God and he will be My son.

Christ's Resurrection

1. Fulfilled prophecy (1 Corinthians 15:4)
2. Proved He had the power over death (Romans 8:11)
3. Confirmed that God's Word will always come to pass (Matt. 27:63; 28:6)
4. Ensured that we, too, could be and will be raised to newness of life (1 Corinthians 15:20-21).

Resurrection – Results in the “New”

1. Redeemed man is now a saint (1 Cor. 6:9-11; 2 Cor. 5:17)
2. Set free from sin and raised into newness of life (Romans 6:3-7; Eph. 2:1-10)
3. Creation itself will be set free from corruption (Rom. 8:21) and believers will be heirs of New Heaven and New Earth (Isaiah 65:17; 2 Peter 3:13; Rev. 21:1-5)

2 Corinthians 5:17-18 (LSB)

¹⁷Therefore if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come.

¹⁸Now all these things are from God, who reconciled us to Himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation,

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Romans 10:9-10 (LSB)

⁹that if you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved;

¹⁰for with the heart a person believes, leading to righteousness, and with the mouth he confesses, leading to salvation.

Matthew 25:34 (LSB)

³⁴... say to those on His right, 'Come, you who are blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom, which has been prepared for you from the foundation of the world.'