

As glorious as it will be for our souls to be with Christ in heaven, that is not our final _____. Those who have died in Christ are not yet in their final _____ or _____ (Rom. 8:11)

(1) v35-49: Paul tells us how the dead will be raised and what the resurrected body will be like:

- a) v36-38: *Our coming resurrection is compared to a seed:*
 - i. For a seed to burst forth into life it must be _____. It must be _____ or symbolically _____
 - ii. What emerges from the seed far exceeds the _____ of what was planted or buried
- b) v38-39: *God gives a body as He has chosen:*
 - i. Creation reveals a _____ of bodies: 1 kind for humans, 1 kind for birds, another for fish
 - ii. For God to bring forth a different type of body, a resurrection body, is not _____
- c) v40-41: *God also gives different types of glories to each body:*
 - i. The glory of the _____ is of 1 kind...the glory of the _____ is of another kind
- d) v42-49: *Paul describes what our glorified, resurrected bodies will be like:*

Current Bodies	Resurrected Bodies
Perishable:	Imperishable:
Sown in dishonor:	Raised in glory:
Weak:	Raised in power:
Natural:	Raised a spiritual body:

- e) *The Holy Spirit who now dwells in us will raise our bodies:*
 - i. Our bodies will be altogether _____ by, _____ by, and _____ by the Holy Spirit
 - ii. The Holy Spirit presently works in us _____ and _____
 - iii. At the resurrection the Holy Spirit will work _____, _____, and more _____
 - iv. What the Holy Spirit did for _____ body, the Holy Spirit will do for us (v49; Phil. 3:21)
- f) *The resurrection body of Christ shows us continuity and discontinuity:*
 - i. *Continuity:* He was still _____ Jesus. He bore the scars of His crucifixion. He could be _____, _____, and _____ (Luke 24:39).
 - ii. *Discontinuity:* His resurrection body was different as many did not _____ Him (Lk. 24:31). NT Wright, “the disciples were looking upon the 1st piece of _____ humanity.”
 - iii. The glory of the resurrected body is it will be _____ to dwell with God in His new creation

(2) v50-57: Paul tells us when we will be raised:

- a) *v51: The resurrection is a mystery:*
 - i) We use the word mystery to refer to something _____
 - ii) Here, and in Scripture, the word mystery refers to something God has or will _____
 - iii) The resurrection is God's _____ and _____ of His plan of salvation
- b) *v52: The resurrection will occur:*
 - i) When the final _____ sounds and Christ _____ in glory (1 Thess. 4:16-17; Acts 1:9-11)
 - ii) In the _____ of an eye: as long as it takes to cast a glance or to flutter the eyelid
- c) *v53-57: The resurrection will bring the fulfillment of God's promises:*
 - i) Paul quotes from _____ and _____ 13:14 in v54-55
 - ii) At Christ's return, at the resurrection, these _____ will be fulfilled: _____ will be defeated
 - iii) We have begun to share in His victory _____, but at His return we will share in His victory _____

(3) v58: Paul tells us how the coming resurrection should impact our present lives:

- a) The coming resurrection is not just a _____ hope, but should change how we live _____:
 - i) Be Steadfast: _____
 - ii) Be Immovable: _____
 - iii) Abound in the work of the Lord: _____
- b) The work we do for the Lord and His kingdom (our _____, _____, _____, and _____) will bring results that last forever and have eternal significance.
- c) The truth of His and our resurrection calls us to live _____ lives now (1 Cor. 6:20). Our bodies are precious because Christ _____ them with His own blood. They are precious because we will _____ them forever and they have a _____ destiny.

The grave may be our destination, but it is not our final destiny. United to Christ by faith, heaven may be our soul's destination at death, but it is not our final destiny. Resurrection life is coming because Christ, the Risen One, is coming again. The glory days are not behind us, but they are ahead of us.