

Faith Community Church The New You

Faith Group Questions & Discussion Guide



Opening Prayer: Pray for open hearts and that God would ignite in us ways to live out the hope we have.

Icebreaker Question: Have you ever attended a reunion where you saw someone after many years and were shocked by how much they had (or hadn't) changed? Share!

Key Takeaways:

Our glorified bodies will be: 1. Physical - Real, tangible bodies

- 2. Personal Retaining our unique identity and personality
- 3. Permanent Imperishable and immortal
- 4. Perfect Raised in glory and power
- 5. Pure Free from sin and its effects

Discussion Questions:

- 1. How did you practice living out the hope you have in the resurrection? Did anyone respond to how you lived out that hope?
- 2. Read 1 Corinthians 15:35-49. Why do you think Paul uses the metaphor of a seed to explain the resurrection? What does this illustration teach us about continuity and transformation?
- 3. Jesus is described as the "first fruits" of resurrection? What does this mean for our own future resurrection? (1 Corinthians 15:23, Romans 8:28-30)
- 4. What does verse 42 mean when it says "what is sown is perishable, what is raised is imperishable"? How does this contrast our current bodies with our future bodies?

- 5. Which of the five characteristics of our glorified bodies (physical, personal, permanent, perfect, pure) gives you the most hope? Why?
- 6. Pastor Tim suggested that our memories will continue but without sorrow. How does this truth comfort you when you think about painful experiences in your life?
- 7. How does the promise of a sinless body change your perspective on your current struggles with sin and temptation? (Romans 7:15-25)
- 8. Read Galatians 5:17 & 1 Peter 2:11. How are you currently experiencing the war between your flesh and spirit? How does the resurrection hope encourage you?
- 9. Romans 2:4 says, "God's kindness is meant to lead you to salvation." How can understanding the resurrection motivate us to share the gospel with others?
- 10. Scripture says that everyone who has this hope "purifies himself." In what practical ways should the hope of resurrection affect how we live today? (1 John 2:6, 3:2-3)

Practical Applications: Choose one of the following to practice this week:

- 1. Memorize Scripture: Commit 1 Corinthians 15:42-44 or 1 Corinthians 15:57-58 to memory
- 2. Share the Hope: Have a conversation with someone about the Christian hope of resurrection. Use this as an opportunity to share the gospel.
- 3. Fight Your Flesh: Identify one area where your "flesh wars against your spirit" and create a specific plan to pursue holiness in that area, motivated by your future hope.
- 4. Worship Response: Spend time in worship this week thanking God specifically for the promise of resurrection and eternal life in Christ.

Closing Prayer: Father, help us to remember that this blessed hope isn't just about a future reality—it should transform how we live today. Help us this week to abound in the work of the Lord, knowing that our labor is not in vain.