

## Sermon Questions

Date: May 15, 2022 | Scripture: 1 Corinthians 15:35-49

- 1. Read 1 Corinthians 15:35-49. Paul could make his argument just with verse 35, 42, and 49. How do all the metaphors and illustrations help us to understand his point?
- 2. The resurrection principle of 'same but better' runs through these pictures. What do we learn about resurrection life from this principle?
- 3. What difference does it make to us that the same body that is buried will be raised? Consider Question 87 from the Westminster Larger Catechism below.

## Q87: What are we to believe concerning the resurrection?

A87: We are to believe, that at the last day there shall be a general resurrection of the dead, both of the just and unjust:[1] when they that are then found alive shall in a moment be changed; and the selfsame bodies of the dead which were laid in the grave, being then again united to their souls forever, shall be raised up by the power of Christ.[2] The bodies of the just, by the Spirit of Christ, and by virtue of his resurrection as their head, shall be raised in power, spiritual, incorruptible, and made like to his glorious body;[3] and the bodies of the wicked shall be raised up in dishonor by him, as an offended judge.[4]

- 1. Acts 24:15
- 2. I Cor. 15:51-53; I Thess. 4:15-17; John 5:28-29
- 3. I Cor. 15:21-23, 42-44; Phil. 3:21
- 4. John 5:27-29; Matt. 25:33
- 4. Our culture gives conflicting messages about our bodies: on the one hand, we are told that our bodies are all-important, and on the other hand we are told that they don't matter at all. How does the message of the bodily resurrection correct each extreme?
- 5. Eternal life will be wonderful because of who we are with. Verse 49 teaches us that we will not only be with Christ, but will also bear the image of his resurrected body, just as now we bear the image of Adam. Spend some time in prayer considering these truths.

## WORSHIP THROUGHOUT THE WEEK

Here are some other ways you can meet with God throughout the week:

Reflect on these Scriptures:

- Exodus 15
- Psalm 146
- Ezekiel 37:1-14
- Mark 16
- Acts 9:36-43
- Hebrews 12:25-29

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