

Sermon Questions

Date: May 8, 2022 | Scripture: 1 Corinthians 15:20-34

- 1. Read 1 Corinthians 15:20-34. What is the flow of the argument?
- 2. Christ is described as the firstfruits of the resurrection, and is compared to Adam. What do these images communicate?
- 3. Verses 24-28 talk about the reality of Christ's complete reign. If it is guaranteed that even the last enemy, death, will be defeated, what does it mean that all things have been put in subjection under him?
- 4. Look at the final paragraph of the passage. How are we freed by the truth of the resurrection to live lives of consistency and authenticity?
- 5. Paul sees the resurrection as a reason to live free of fear. How does that work? Does it seem reasonable today?

Inward Grace in Action

- 6. Where in your life are you struggling to live consistently? Consider places where you find yourself acting compulsively or fearfully. This is not an invitation to shame, but to bring those things honestly to the resurrected Christ, and to seek friendship and help from your CG.
- 7. We build our theology not from individual verses, but from the whole counsel of scripture. On Sunday, we talked about the danger of twisting Christianity by building whole doctrines and practices from a single, obscure verse, as Mormonism does with 15:29. Do you have experience of this kind of theologizing? It's important to question it, even if you're not sure whether it's right or wrong.

WORSHIP THROUGHOUT THE WEEK

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

Reflect on these Scriptures:

- Leviticus 26:34-45
- Psalm 77
- Daniel 7:7-14
- John 16:16-24
- Romans 5:12-21
- 2 Peter 3:8-14

Serve as a volunteer

Pray for returning College students finishing the school year, Capital Fellows moving on from their year with Capital Pres, and others facing transitions.

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