

1 Corinthians 15 and the Resurrection

Part 5 - Eternal Victory - 15:50-58

The Resurrection Requires Change

15:50-53

- Flesh and blood cannot inherit God's kingdom - 15:50
- The resurrection mystery revealed - 15:51-53
 - Not all will have died at Christ's return, but all will be changed - 15:51
 - This change will happen instantaneously at the sound of the trumpet - 15:52; 1 Thess. 4:16
 - The perishable and mortal will put on the imperishable and immortal - 15:53

- *When we are changed, then we will be victorious* - 15:54-55
 - Victory follows Christ's return and the change brought by the resurrection
 - The resurrection fulfills God's promise to defeat death - Isa. 25:8; Hosea 13:14
- Victory comes through Christ - 15:56-57
 - Death gained its *sting* through sin - Jn. 5:28-29; Rev. 21:8
 - Sin gained power through the law and our failure to obey it - 1 Jn. 3:4; Rom. 4:15
 - Christ has brought us victory over sin and death - Heb. 2:14-15; 2 Tim. 1:10

The Resurrection Change Brings Victory

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The Resurrection Life

15:58

- “*Therefore*” shows what follows is based on previous revelation about the truth of the resurrection
- The resurrection motivates us to devote ourselves to God’s service
 - We should be steadfast and immovable
 - We should be always abounding in the Lord’s work
 - If we have stopped abounding in the Lord’s work, then we have stopped appreciating the grace found in the resurrection