

“Resurrection: A New You”

Sunday, February 9, 2025, 10:30 a.m.
Whitneyville Bible Church, Alto, MI
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1 Corinthians 15:35-49

BIG IDEA: Authentic Christians know how they will be resurrected.

“But someone will ask, ‘How are the dead raised? What kind of body will they have when they come?’”
1 Corinthians 15:35 (CSB)

How are the dead resurrected?



As seeds that are sown (v 35-38; 42b-44)

- **Death precedes life.** (v 35-38)
- **Sinless, not sinful.** (v 42b-44)
- **Indestructible.** (v 42b)
- **Glorious.** (v 43a)
- **Powerful.** (v 43b)
- **Spiritual.** (v 44)



With distinction and purpose. (v 39-42a)

- **Bodies are fit for their function.** (v 39-42a)
- **Bodies are fit for their environment.** (v 39-42a)



Like Jesus was raised. (v 45-49)

- **Not like the first Adam, but like the last Adam.** (v 45)
- **Not earthly, but heavenly.** (v 46-49)

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Read: Re-read 1 Corinthians 15:35-49

Think: Imagine a new resurrection body, and then ask yourself the following questions: *What do you like least about your body? What have you done to try and change it? As you age, what do you fear about your changing body? What practical problem undercuts belief in the resurrection for some of these people (v 35)? How does Paul’s analogy with the seed deal with this objection (v 35-38; 42-44)? What does this teach you about the resurrected body? How does the analogy of the different types of bodies (v 39-41) relate to the initial objection? What is the point in the comparison between Adam and Christ (v 45-49; also v 21-22)? What does it mean that “we shall also bear the image of the man of heaven?”*

Do: Pinpoint the most comforting thing here for you as you consider the reality of your own death. What here is the hardest thing for you to understand? Think of the toughest death you have experienced and write down what you learned through it.