



STUDY GUIDE

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WEEK OF July 14, 2019

1 Corinthians 15:35-58

CONNECT

1. Explain what impacted you the most from Jake Sullivan's message.

GROW

2. Read 1 Corinthians 15:35-58. What two questions did Paul address in these verses and what analogies did he use to make his point?

3. How does Paul's example of a farmer planting a seed help you understand the resurrection body? What point was Paul making in verse 38-40? What does this teach us about God?

- 4. What changes will take place when our mortal bodies become immortal? What was Christ's body like after His resurrection? (See Matt. 28:1-20; Mark 16:1-8; Luke 24:1-53; John 20:1-21:23; Acts 1:1-9)**

- 5. What observations does Paul state about Adam in 1 Corinthians 15:45-49? In what ways does Paul differentiate Jesus from Adam, and what is the reason for these distinctions?**

- 6. What is the mystery Paul is referring to in 1 Corinthians 15:51? What happens to deceased Christians at the resurrection and what happens to living Christians?**

- 7. How has Christ robbed death of its victory and sting? Many Greek philosophers who would have influenced the Corinthians saw the body as evil and corrupt. How does the Christian belief of resurrection give inherent worth and value to our physical bodies?**

- 8. According to 1 Corinthians 15:58, what should our response be to the resurrection? How can you, or have you in the past looked to these verses for comfort?**

9. Paul made it clear that belief in the resurrection demands action in our lives. What does a life lived in vain look like? How can you respond to the truth of these verses to ensure your labor is not in vain?

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10. Who do you know who has not taken hold of the power of the resurrection? Who can you share the gospel with this week?

11. How has the reality of death affected you? In what ways does the resurrection enable you to overcome the fear of death?

12. How does the resurrection provide you with comfort in the loss of loved ones? How could you use this passage to comfort a fellow believer dealing with the death of a friend or family member?