



When Jesus returns and restores creation, our home will be perfect forever—no aggravation, no danger, no death. But not only will our home be perfect, so will our company.



### Concerning the Resurrection Body

#### **Perfected People**

- Who is the person you most enjoy being around?
  
- What still bugs you about them?
  
  
- What would you like to change about yourself?

In eternity, God will remove all the sinful, selfish traits from us and all believers. We will not just enjoy the fact that other people are not getting on our nerves, but we will actually delight in each and every person we meet.

#### **What Will We Do for Eternity?**

Mankind has used its enormous God-given intelligence and creativity to produce incredible buildings, gardens, sculptures, paintings, music and many other things. Imagine what incredible works of art would have filled our world if Adam and Eve had not fallen into sin!

- Looking at things you have done yourself. What accomplishment has given you the most satisfaction in life?
  
  
- What aspect of accomplishing it did you find most frustrating or annoying?

- How will the perfection of our eternal home remove that frustration?

## The Perfect Healing

Jesus worked many healing miracles during the brief years of His ministry on earth. On the Last Day Paul tells how our Lord will wrap all those healing miracles into one, as He raises our bodies and makes them forever perfect, glorious, healthy and strong.

### Read 1 Corinthians 15:35-57.

<sup>35</sup> But someone will ask, “How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?”

<sup>36</sup> You foolish person! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies.

<sup>37</sup> And what you sow is not the body that is to be, but a bare kernel, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain.

<sup>38</sup> But God gives it a body as He has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body.

<sup>39</sup> For not all flesh is the same, but there is one kind for humans, another for animals, another for birds, and another for fish.

<sup>40</sup> There are heavenly bodies and earthly bodies, but the glory of the heavenly is of one kind, and the glory of the earthly is of another.

<sup>41</sup> There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars; for star differs from star in glory.

<sup>42</sup> So it is with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable; what is raised is imperishable.

<sup>43</sup> It is sown in dishonor; it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness; it is raised in power.

<sup>44</sup> It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a natural body, there is also a spiritual body.

<sup>45</sup> Thus it is written, “The first man Adam became a living being”; the last Adam a life-giving spirit.

<sup>46</sup> But it is not the spiritual that is first but the natural, and then the spiritual.

<sup>47</sup> The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven.

<sup>48</sup> As was the man of the dust, so also are those who are of the dust, and as is the man of heaven, so also are those who are of heaven.

<sup>49</sup> Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we shall also bear the image of the man of heaven.

<sup>50</sup> I tell you this, brothers: flesh and blood cannot inherit the Kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.

<sup>51</sup> Behold! I tell you a mystery. We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed,

<sup>52</sup> in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed.

<sup>53</sup> For this perishable body must put on the imperishable, and this mortal body must put on immortality.

<sup>54</sup> When the perishable puts on the imperishable, and the mortal puts on immortality, then shall come to pass the saying that is written:

“Death is swallowed up in victory.”

<sup>55</sup> “O death, where is your victory?

O death, where is your sting?”

<sup>56</sup> The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the Law.

<sup>57</sup> But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

- When did you first realize your body wasn't as young as it used to be?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- What physical activities from your childhood would you most like to do if your body would let you?

**Closing Prayer:** Lord Jesus, thank You for making it possible for us to glimpse how wonderful life will be when You return to restore us and all Your creation. Thank You for making it all possible by taking our sins on Yourself and suffering God's punishment as You died in our place on the cross. As You rose in glory that Easter morning, so too raise us to new life—now in faith, and on the Last Day, in body and spirit. I pray in Your holy Name. Amen.



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