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1 Corinthians 15:50-58

The experience of the resurrection is more than “a day.” It’s the power of a resurrected life every day. In 1 Corinthians 15, Paul reminds the Corinthians of the reality of the resurrection. He spends the first eleven verses clarifying the gospel (1-11), verses 12-49 explaining the resurrection, and now in verses (50-58) Paul inspires the Christians in Corinth to live daily in the power of a resurrected life.

Every day, you can live an empowered and faithful Christian life because Jesus is alive. So let’s celebrate the resurrection today, but let’s also put it into practice every day. That’s what the other 364 days are for.

Key thought: When you experience the power of the gospel, everything changes, every day of your life.

3 Assurances: (15:50-57)

The resurrection is real. (v. 50)

1 Corinthians 15:12 (NASB95): ¹²Now if Christ is preached, that He has been raised from the dead, how do some among you say that there is no resurrection of the dead?

- The resurrection of Jesus
- The resurrection of the dead

The resurrection is the foundation for our hope. (v. 51-53)

- Mystery
- Changed

“The entire plan for the future has its key in the resurrection.” **Billy Graham**

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The resurrection is the guarantee of our victory. (v. 54-57)

Romans 4:25 (NASB95): ²⁵He who was delivered over because of our transgressions, and was raised because of our justification.

Jesus predicted his passion and resurrection three times (Matt. 16:21; 17:22–23; 20:17–19; 17:12; Luke 13:33; 17:25; 22:15), and was aware of the redemptive significance it would have (Mark 10:45). It was only his resurrection that opened the door to the disciples understanding of his death as a redemptive event.”[1]

4 Applications: (15:58)

Be sure.

The ultimate question: *HAVE YOU HAD A LIFE CHANGING EXPERIENCE WITH JESUS?*

Romans 10:9–10 (NASB95): ⁹that if you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved; ¹⁰for with the heart a person believes, resulting in righteousness, and with the mouth he confesses, resulting in salvation.

Romans 10:13 (NASB95): ¹³for “Whoever will call on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

Be ready.

Be faithful.

Be confident.

“If Jesus rose from the dead, then you have to accept all that he said; if he didn’t rise from the dead, then why worry about any of what he said? The issue on which everything hangs is not whether or not you like his teaching but whether or not he rose from the dead.” **Timothy Keller**

“Our Lord has written the promise of resurrection, not in books alone, but in every leaf in springtime.” **Martin Luther**