

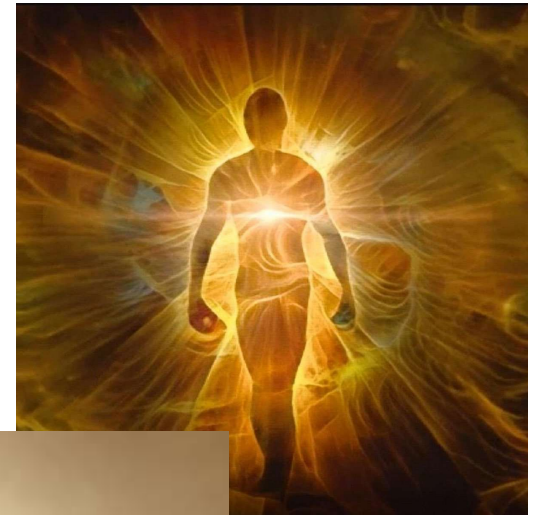
**[1 Corinthians]  
Lesson 13**

**Resurrected Bodies**

**(1 Corinthians 15)**



# 1. Believers' Bodies Will Be Changed



(1 Cor 15:35) *But some man will say, How are the dead raised up? and with what body do they come?*

(36) *Thou fool, that (seed) which thou sowest (plant) is not quickened (made alive), except it (seed) die [death = sleep for believer... see [1 Cor. 15:51; 1 Thess. 4:14; John 11:11-13]]:*

Some mocked (laugh) at resurrected bodies.

God has all power. God created all things.

Only a fool doubts God's power to resurrect bodies.



# Seed must die and dissolve:

(1 Cor 15:36) ...*that (seed) which thou sowest (plant) is not quickened (made alive), except it die:*

\*Same as seed is buried and dissolves but grows into new plant, so also our bodies can be dissolved and yet become a new body.

\*Same within the seed is life, so also within the believer's body is a living spirit joined with God's Spirit.



## Seed becomes different grown plant:

(1 Cor 15:37) *And that (seed) which thou sowest (plant) thou sowest **not** that body (grown plant) that shall be, but bare grain, it may chance of (maybe) wheat (food), or of some other grain (food):*

\*The seed planted does not become the exact same seed, it becomes a different plant.

\*Our resurrected bodies will be different from these bodies which will die and dissolve.



# God decides and gives changed bodies:

(1 Cor 15:38) *But God giveth it (seed) a body (grown plant) as it hath pleased him (God), and to every seed his own body.*

Same as God decided how the grown plant of a seed would be, so also God has decided how our resurrected bodies will be.



# God gave different bodies to living creatures:



(1 Cor 15:39) *All flesh (living things) is not the same flesh: but there is one kind (group) of flesh of men, another (group) flesh of **beasts**, another of **fishes**, and another of **birds**.*

Same as God gave different bodies to living creatures, so also, He gives a different resurrected body.

# God made earth different than planets of the sky

(1 Cor 15:40) *There are also **celestial** (sky) bodies, and bodies **terrestrial** (earth): but the glory of the celestial is one, and the glory of the terrestrial is another.*

...so also, God makes our resurrected bodies different.







**All the planets, sun,  
moon... of the sky are  
different**

*(1 Cor 15:41) There is one  
glory of the **sun**, and  
another glory of the  
**moon**, and another glory  
of the **stars**: for one star  
differeth from another  
star in glory.*

...so also, God makes  
resurrected bodies different



## 2. Resurrected Bodies Will Be Much Better

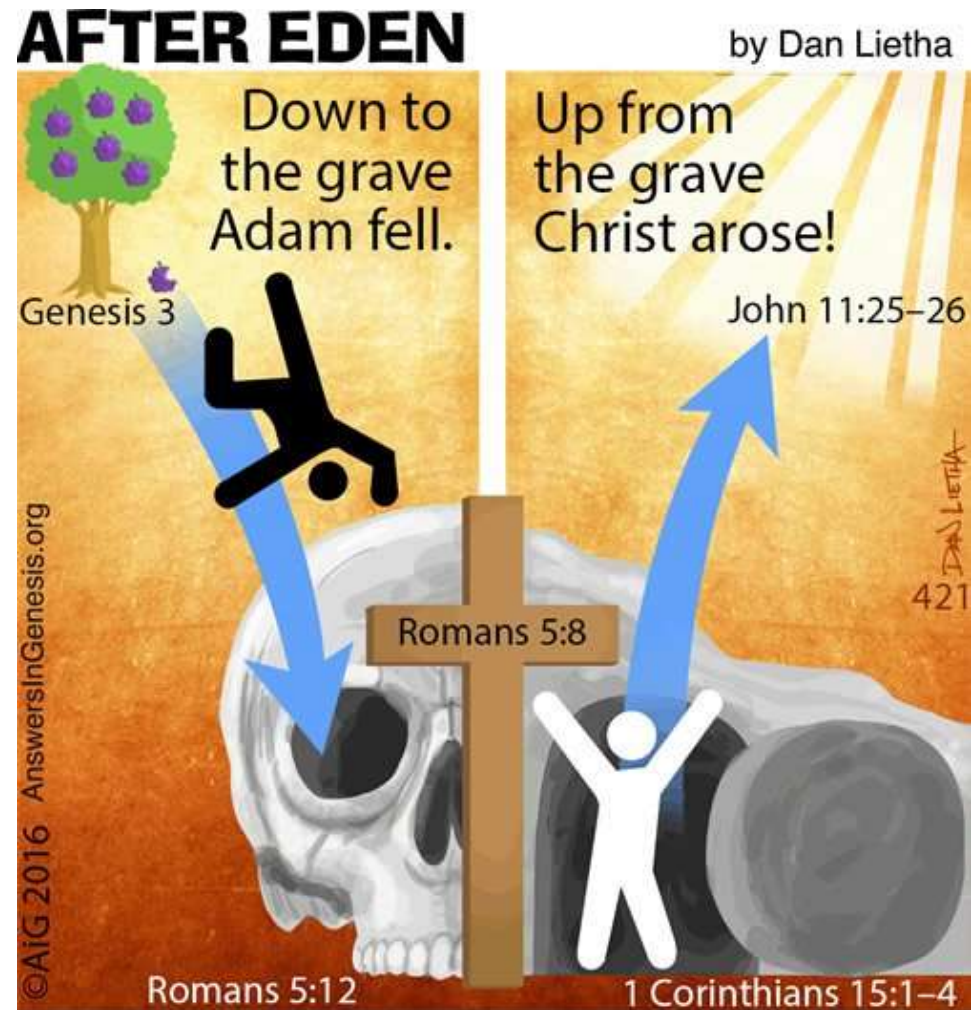


(1 Cor 15:42-43) *So also is the resurrection of the dead. It (our bodies) is sown (plant) in **corruption** (bad—dissolve); it is raised in **incorruption** (good—stay same forever): (43) It is sown in **dishonour** (shame—yuck!); it is raised in **glory** (respect—beautiful): it is sown in **weakness**; it is raised in **power**:*



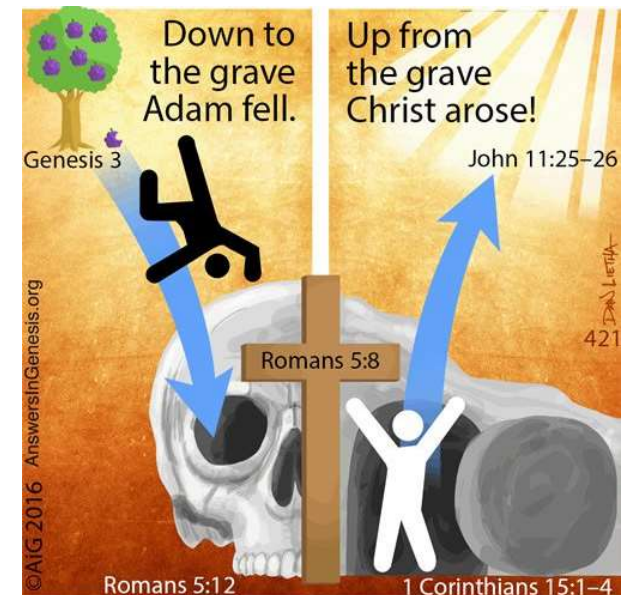
Our bodies will die and be buried, but God will raise and change them into **eternal**, **wonderful**, and **powerful** bodies.

# 3. Natural Bodies Vs. Spiritual Bodies



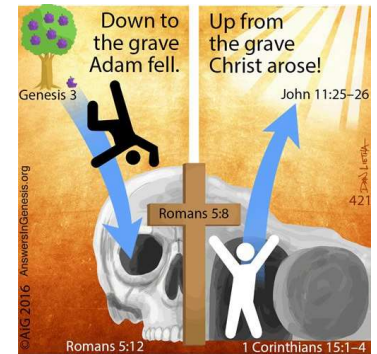
(1 Cor 15:44) *It is sown (planted/dies) a **natural** (earthly) body; it is raised (made alive) a **spiritual** (heavenly) body. There is a **natural** body, and there is a **spiritual** body.*

Our **resurrected body** (spiritual—made for Heaven and eternity) will be different than our **cursed earthly body**.



(1 Cor 15:45) *And so it is written [Gen. 2:7], The first man Adam was made a living soul (alive); the last Adam [Jesus] was made a quickening spirit (live giving).*

From Adam we inherit an earthly body and sin's curse—death.



From Jesus we inherit an eternal heavenly/spiritual body; Jesus forever gives us life—Jesus sustains our life eternally.

(1 Cor 15:46-49) *Howbeit (but) that was **not first** which is **spiritual** [Jesus], but that which is **natural** [Adam]; and afterward (next) that which is **spiritual** [Jesus]. (47) The **first man** [Adam] is of the **earth, earthy**; the **second man** [Jesus] is the Lord from **heaven** [Jesus].*



**First** was Adam with his earthly body and sin's curse—death.

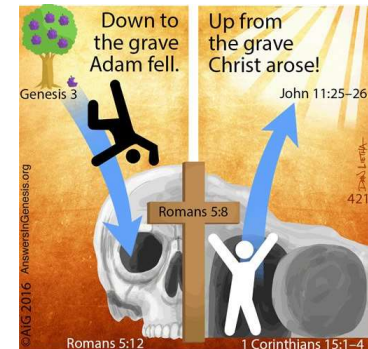
**Second** was Jesus with His heavenly/spiritual body without sin's curse—death.



(1 Cor 15:48-49) *As is the earthy [Adam], such (same) are they also that are earthy [Adam's children]: and as is the heavenly [Jesus], such (same) are they also that are heavenly (God's children). (49) And as we have borne the image (have same body) of the earthy [Adam], we shall also bear the image (have same body) of the heavenly [Jesus].*

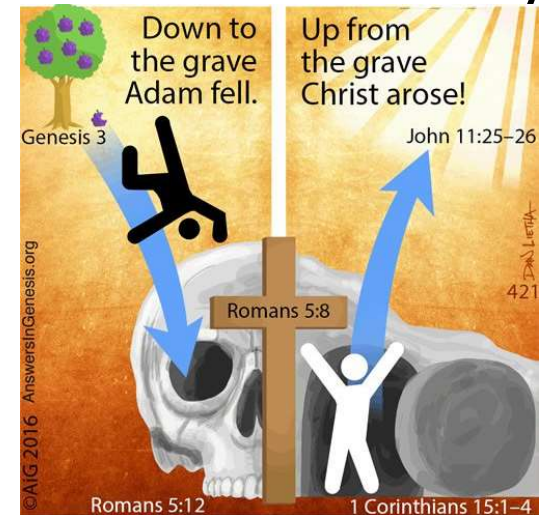
**First** (now) we have same as Adam's body.

**Second** (after) we will have same as Jesus' resurrected body.



(1 Cor 15:50) *Now this I say, brethren, that **flesh and blood** (earthly body) **cannot inherit** (receive) **the kingdom of God** (Heaven); neither doth **corruption** (bad—dissolve) **inherit incorruption** (good—stay same forever).*

Our bodies must be changed before we can enjoy Heaven and Eternity.



## 4. All Believers—Living and Dead—Will Be Changed



(1 Cor 15:51) *Behold, I shew you a **mystery** (new teaching);  
We shall not all sleep (die), but we shall all be  
changed (bodies changed),*

**When?** = “We shall not all sleep (die)”

**How?** = “we shall all be changed” [see vs. 52]



(1 Cor 15:52) *In a moment (time), in the twinkling of an eye [very fast], at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound [a call for church to gather], and the dead [believers before dead] shall be raised (resurrected) incorruptible [new good, eternal bodies], and we shall be changed [all—dead and living—will receive new good eternal bodies]. (53) For this corruptible (bad) must put on (change) incorruption (good), and this mortal (dying) must put on (change) immortality (eternal life).*



(1 Cor 15:54-55) *So when this **corruptible** (bad) shall have put on (change) **incorruption** (good), and this **mortal** (death) shall have put on (change) **immortality** (eternal life), then shall be (future) brought to pass (happen) the saying that is written [Isaiah 25:8; Hosea 13:14], **Death** is swallowed up (eaten [destroyed]) in **victory** (win). (55) O death, where is thy sting (power to hurt)? O grave (hell), where is thy victory?*



...later we will learn about the Rapture when studying Thessalonians.

(1 Cor 15:56) *The sting* (power to hurt) *of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law.*

Because we sin,  
our punishment is death.

The Law of God condemns  
us to death for our sin.

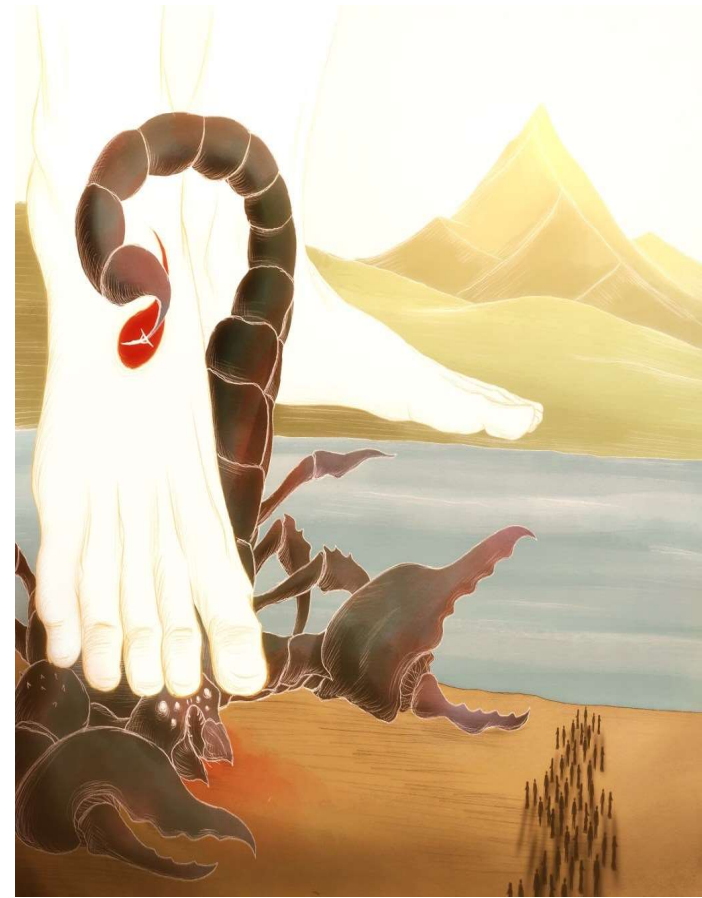


(1 Cor 15:57) *But thanks be to God,  
which giveth us the **victory** through  
our Lord Jesus Christ.*

\*Jesus bore our sin on the Cross—  
becoming sin for us.

\*When Jesus died on the Cross, Jesus satisfied  
God's Law which demanded death for our sin.

\*Jesus is God's gift to us—eternal life.





# **5. We Love and Serve Jesus Because Jesus Gives Us the Victory**



(1 Cor 15:58) **Therefore**, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast (stay standing), unmoveable (not changing), always abounding (doing more and more) in the **work of the Lord**, **forasmuch** (because) as ye know that your **labour** (work) is **not in vain** (wasted) in the Lord.



“**Therefore**” = Because Jesus gives us the victory...

“**work of the Lord**” = serving Jesus

“**...is not in vain**” = is not wasted... Whether we live or die, with Jesus we have the victory.