

Study Guide Questions

Series: Victory

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Memory Verse: 1 Corinthians 15:55-57 NIV

Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting? The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Read 1 Corinthians 15:35-58

- What Easter traditions did you grow up with? What are your current practices? Do these activities accent or obscure the celebration of the resurrection of Jesus? What new traditions can you embrace that direct your heart and mind back to the resurrection of Christ?
- Have you ever had a conversation with someone about what happens after death? Share about the conversation and what some of the primary talking points were. What does Paul say will happen to believers and unbelievers after they die?
- Have you ever thought of your body as a seed that will one day produce something else? Is this agrarian analogy helpful for you in understanding the progression we will one day go through?
- Why is it necessary for our bodies to be transformed from perishable to imperishable? Why is it not possible to enter eternity (whether heaven or hell) with our mortal bodies? Do we know what our imperishable bodies will look like?



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- The work of Christ will restore and make all things new. He will bring life where death once reigned. Where would you like to see restoration in your life today? How can the body of Christ help you see positive movement in this area?
- Paul refers to our current bodies as perishable, dishonorable, weak, and natural. How do you feel these adjectives describe your bodily experience? Do you struggle with one of these aspects more than another? If so, which one?
- As a result of the resurrection, our bodies will be imperishable, glorious, powerful, and spiritual. If we had these characteristics fully today, how would they enable us to serve God better? While knowing that we cannot achieve perfection in these areas in the present age, what can we do to strive for growth to serve the Lord better?
- From the standpoint of an observer, how have you felt the sting of death? Is death something you are concerned about? What troubles you most when you consider your mortality? What do you think it will be like to have an immortal body and say with finality, "Death where is your sting?"
- Paul ends the discourse on the resurrection with a call to be steadfast, immovable, and always excelling at the Lord's work. In what specific ways do you need to be committed to the work of the Lord? After a treatise on the resurrection, why does Paul leave us with this call to action? In what ways should Christ's resurrection and the hope of a bodily resurrection impact your priorities?



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