

**1 Corinthians...*To The Church* – Resurrection Part 14**  
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**1 Corinthians 15**

Our society says at death you either cease to be or you go to a better place.

Christianity places its hope in the resurrection of the body.

**RESURRECTION** - Greek *anastasis*; to raise up, awaken, or repair; implies a change in status, usually for the better

**What happens when we die?** (2 Cor. 5:8; Luke 23:43; John 14:2-3; Rev. 21)

- First, there is death and whatever immediately lies beyond (rest and joy in God's presence). Second, we look ahead to resurrection and a new bodily existence in a newly remade world.

**How are the dead raised?** (1 Cor. 15:57; Rom. 8:11)

- Resurrection depends wholly on the power of God.

**What will the resurrected body be like?** (1 Cor. 15:36-37, 42-44)

- Your present body is to your resurrected body as a seed is to the plant that grows from it. It is a transformation to a higher form of embodied life, unquenchable and unending.
- Look at Jesus after his resurrection. (Luke 24; Matthew 28)

**What hope do we have in the face of death?** (1 Cor. 15:54-58)

- Jesus has gone ahead and removed death's sting.
- In Christ, death is not the end of family and community.
- Jesus' resurrection means infinite hope and reason to pour ourselves out for the needs of the world and to work against the forces of death.

