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The promise of a glorified body

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**(I Corinthians 15:39 - 44)**

**Intro:** I doubt there are many who can't wait for this glorious event to take place, especially if one is none to happy with the body they now have. Perhaps for those who have physical problems that are debilitating, they wait anxiously for a glorified body that will set them free from their physical difficulties. Perhaps it is a broken body due to some disease or accident and to once again feel better than better is a long-awaited for event in their lives to come. Well, perhaps it is simply that as the Redeemed of the Lord you can't wait for the Rapture and or the resurrection just to be free from this carnally corruptible body and to be free from sin and its ill-effects.

And so, we look at this next promise of God to the Redeemed of the Lord.

**VIII. God has promised us a glorified Body – I Corinthians 15:39 – 44.**

- A. Every individual conceived has a spirit, a soul and obviously a body that houses the soul & spirit of man.
1. Remembering that these souls and spirit are all \_\_\_\_\_.
  2. For the individual who rejects Christ as God's only provision for forgiveness of sins, that body goes to the grave, the soul and spirit go to a Christ-less \_\_\_\_\_ in hell. **(John 3:18.)**
    - a. Let's not forget; man is born \_\_\_\_\_ for hell unless they accept Christ as Savior. To be born once is to die twice, to be born twice is to die once!
    - b. God does not \_\_\_\_\_ hell for the sinner, the sinner \_\_\_\_\_ to reject God's solution for sin which Christ and Christ alone – **Isaiah 14:12 – 17; Revelation 20:1 – 3 & 7 – 10 & 20.**
  3. The individuals that accept by faith the person and work of Christ, plus or minus nothing has his or her eternal destiny \_\_\_\_\_ – **John 14:6; 17:24; II Cor. 5:6 – 8; Philippians 1:23; I Thessalonians 4:16 & 17;** to name a few passages.
- B. So, when a person dies their soul & spirit \_\_\_\_\_ from the body, the body goes to the grave and continues the process of corrupting (decay) and the soul and spirit into eternity.
1. At one of the two resurrections the body is raised from the grave, **Job 19:23 – 27; Psalm 16:8 – 11; Daniel 12:2; John 5:28 – 29.**

- a. For the Redeemed, the body is \_\_\_\_\_ from corruption to incorruption, from mortal to immortality – **I Corinthians 15:42 & 43; 51 – 58.**
- b. As the Redeemed of the Lord our bodies must be \_\_\_\_\_ for its environment whether on earth or in heaven. **(I Corinthians 15:40, 44)**
2. At either the rapture or the first resurrection, depending on our state when the rapture takes place, our corruptible bodies will be transformed from one suited to living on earth to one suite to live \_\_\_\_\_ all of God’s creation, and specifically for heaven.
3. As such, these glorified bodies will \_\_\_\_\_ God’s glory and will possess supernatural power, similar to angels possessing superhuman strength.
4. It appears this body will be able to enjoy food and will be able to pass through solid barriers as did Jesus. **(John 20:19 – 20; Luke 24:40 – 43)**
5. While present in our earthly bodies there are things we will not always understand, but in eternity, we’ll understand more \_\_\_\_\_ – **I Corinthians 13:12.**
- a. The first use of the word “know” is [ginosko] meaning to \_\_\_\_\_ and is in the present tense, active voice having to do with our present life.
- b. the second use of the word “know” is [epiginosko] meaning to become thoroughly \_\_\_\_\_ with, accurately and here it is in the future tense, active voice, indicative mood meaning this is a simple statement of fact.
- C. As the Redeemed of the Lord we will appear at the Bema Seat of judgment, not to see if we are going to make it into heaven, our saving faith has already \_\_\_\_\_ us this, this judgment is about the character of our service to the Lord and rewards and responsibilities will be assigned accordingly.
1. we will serve by \_\_\_\_\_ – **Revelation 7:9 – 10.**
2. We will serve the \_\_\_\_\_ – **Revelation 22:3.**
3. We will \_\_\_\_\_ in heaven and on earth – **Revelation 5:10.**
4. We will be \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ with Christ – **Romans 8:17.**
- D. As to the unsaved who continue to reject God and die in that rejection, all they have to look forward to is \_\_\_\_\_ and suffering for all eternity. **(Revelation 20:11 – 15, - Luke 13:27)** and a real accounting from the lips of Jesus is found in **Luke 16:19 - 31)**