



Rise Up and Apply!

Lesson 13 • 1 Corinthians 15:51-58

The Doctrine of the Our Future Bodily Resurrection Is Not Just for Celebrating Once a Year; It Is Also for APPLYING Every Day of the Year!

Even though our resurrection/rapture transformation has **not yet** happen for us, it has **ALREADY** happened for Christ and is already a reality for us in Christ that should transform our daily living!

Rise Up Right Now and Apply Four Truths about Your Future Bodily Resurrection

1. Be **TRANSFORMED** on a daily basis. (51-53)

- Our future bodily resurrection will be a **RADICAL** transformation.
 - 1) A radical transformation with **continuity** for **suitability**. (37, 50)
 - 2) A radical transformation **by resurrection from the dead** or **by rapture with the living**. (52)
 - 3) A radical transformation that overcomes both **mortal death** and **moral decay**. (53)
 - 4) A radical transformation that will happen in a **split second** and **the blink of an eye**. (52)

- Our future transformation should be leading us into **DAILY** transformation right now!
 - 1) Daily **GAZE ON** the glory of Christ in the gospel!
 - Gazing means **meditating on** what God has **already done** and **not yet done** for us in Christ's resurrection!
2Corinthians 3:18; 4:4-6; Ephesians 2:1-10

 - Gazing means **praying for** the Spirit to give us greater understanding into what God has **already done** and **not yet done** for us in Christ's resurrection!
Ephesians 1:15-23

 - 2) Daily **RELY ON** the resurrection power of our risen and reigning Lord! *Ephesians 2:1-3; 1:18-22*

 - 3) Daily **FOLLOW AFTER** those who are living in the power of the risen, reigning, and returning Christ! *Philippians 3:15-21*

2. Be **TRIUMPHANT** over our spiritual enemies. (54-56)

- Our future bodily resurrection will mean a final and total victory over all of our enemies!

Who Are Our Spiritual Enemies?

- 1) The **SEPARATION** of Death
- 2) The **STING** of Sin

3) The **STANDARD** of the Law

➤ Our future triumph over all our spiritual enemies should lead us to live fearless in the face of death!

How Do We Taunt and Triumph Over Death Now on Daily Basis?

1) By how we **LIVE** without fear of death.

2) By how we **GRIEVE** in the face of death: We *claim promises* and we *sing praises* in the face of death!

3. Be THANKFUL to God for the Victory He Gives through Christ Jesus. (57)

➤ Our future bodily resurrection will be a victorious gift from God through Christ Jesus!

➤ Our future victory over all our enemies should lead us to give thanks in all things through Christ! *Romans 7:21-25*

“Through Him then, let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that give thanks to His name.” Hebrews 13:15

“giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified us to share in the inheritance of the saints in Light.” Colossians 1:12

“in everything give thanks; for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus.” 1Thessalonians 5:18

“always giving thanks for all things in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to God, even the Father” Ephesians 5:20

“Whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks through Him to God the Father.” Colossians 3:17

4. Stay TRUE in serving the Lord by remaining steadfast, immovable, and always abounding in His work until the End. (58)

➤ Our future bodily resurrection is certainly something to celebrate once a year! But our once-a-year celebration should lead us to daily application in life and ministry

1) Be steadfast: *Anchor yourself to what lasts forever in the coming kingdom!*

2) Be immovable: *Don’t let anything or anyone move you from what matters most to God!*

3) Be always abounding: *Keep increasing in your efforts to serve the Lord, His people, and the lost!*

4) Be confident: *None of your exhausting, burdensome, costly, and even deadly work for the Lord will ever be in vain!*

I firmly believe that any man’s finest hour—his greatest fulfillment to all that he holds dear—is that moment when he has worked his heart out in a good cause and lies exhausted on the field of battle - victorious...Leave no regrets on the field.” ~ Vince Lombardi

*“Nothing earthly will make me give up my work in despair. I encourage myself in the Lord my God and go forward.”
“I will place no value on ANYTHING I have or possess except as it relates to the Kingdom of Christ.” ~ David Livingstone*

“But you, be sober in all things, endure hardship, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry. For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the course, I have kept the faith; in the future there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day; and not only to me, but also to all who have loved His appearing.” ~ Apostle Paul, 2 Timothy 4:5-8

Rise Up Right Now and Apply, Because Living for the Lord Is Never in Vain!

“Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your toil is not in vain in the Lord.”

- 1) Which of the four applications are you the strongest in and which are you weakest? Reflect on why you are strong in some areas and weaker in others.
- 2) What is one action step you can take this week to begin applying what you have learned about your future bodily resurrection?
- 3) What is one promise concerning our future bodily resurrection that you can begin memorizing and meditating on?
- 4) What sin (attitude or action) will you let the transforming power of the resurrection begin to release you from as you claim God's gift of victory in Christ Jesus?