

Sermon Discussion Questions
EASTER — The Glory to Come
What Does It All Mean?
1 Corinthians 15:50-58
April 16, 2017

1. How was your Easter? What was the best thing that happened over the Easter weekend (Good Friday through Easter)?
2. Right off the bat, 1 Corinthians 15:50 tells us that this perishable body of ours must put on the imperishable. How this happens is described well in 1 Corinthians 15:42-44. What can we glean from those verses? What is it about this perishable body that you are looking forward to not having to deal with and what will you miss (or hope isn't different about you)?
3. 1 Corinthians 15:52 speaks about a last trumpet. There are many opinions from great scholars on when this last trumpet actually is sounded. Read Isaiah 27:13; Matthew 24:31; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-17; Revelation 8:6; 11:15-18 not that we need to understand the timeline perfectly on which trumpet blows when, however, what is the common denominator in all of those passages? And what application can we derive from them?
4. 1 Corinthians 15:54-55 clearly indicate that death will be done away with. Read Revelation 20:7-21:1-4, and see if you can be clear on when each of the things mentioned in those verses actually take place. In what ways does this enlighten or illumine you?
5. Jeremy rattled off some verses that speak to Jesus being the only way to be sure we will be in the glory to come (Acts 4:12; John 14:6; 1 Timothy 2:3-6; 1 John 5:11-13). How can this get distorted—even in our cultural context?
6. 1 Corinthians 15:58 exhorts us to do the “work of the Lord.” What is the “work”? (Read 1 Corinthians 3:8, 12-15, and 9:1; as well as 1 Thessalonians 5:12-13 and 2 Timothy 4:5 for help).
7. Why is it that being steadfast, immovable, and abounding in the work of the Lord has eternal benefits? (Read Luke 19:11-27; 1 Corinthians 3:10-15; 2 Corinthians 5:10 to help). Does this motivate you in any way? How?