## I Corinthians 15:50-58

## 3 Elements Of Jesus' Victory For Us



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## Context/Background

Author: Apostle Paul

 Audience: Written (AD 56) while Paul in Ephesus to believers in Greek city of Corinth

 Theme: Paul's great explanation of Jesus' resurrection and blessings from it for every believer

• Foundation: Background of these verses is the global event called the, "Rapture"

 Rapture: coming global event where Jesus returns and removes all genuine believers from earth and translates them to heaven

 This event will signal the start of the seven year "Tribulation" period

 The Rapture is a separate event from the Second Coming of Jesus

 Millions upon millions of people will experience transformation and will instantly disappear from the earth

## Victory Over Decay

- (vv. 50-53) Paul states for every believer there is a Godordained transformation on the way; it be instant, radical, and eternal
- Natural, earthly bodies and lives flawed and corrupted by sin; not suited for eternal existence
- God has everything worked out; all believers be changed
- Corruption take on incorruption, mortality take on immortality
- Glorified: perfect body, soul, and mind



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I Thess. 4:16-18, "For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus, we shall always be with the Lord. Therefore comfort one another with these words."

