



Jennifer Labato (Girod)	Scheduled for surgery tomorrow.
Richard Quave	Cancer surgery went well. Prayers for continued healing.
Cody Bean	Family has requested prayers on his deployment.
Charles McDaniel	Received a good report on his scans. Susanne and family are thankful for our prayers.
Pat Odom (Wages)	Needs prayers for recovery from knee surgery.
Karen Speight	Having difficulty recovering from foot surgery, possibly facing more surgeries.
Gerald Bosarge	Slowly improving. Continued prayers appreciated for his future care, for him and his family.
Carla Clayton	Having medical issues. Not feeling well.



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March 24, 2024 <u>Sermon Title:</u> What the Resurrection Means to Me Part 2 <u>Scripture:</u> 1 Corinthians 15:19-23

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"Are We Resurrected from the Dead When We Obey the Gospel?"

A thought question:

Paul wrote 1 Corinthians 15 to address the question of the resurrection of the dead.

There were those in Corinth who had a problem with that idea, and Paul sought to correct it. If the resurrection of the dead in this chapter is supposed to be the spiritual life that comes to a person at the new birth, explain why any Christian would have had an objection to that?

One could see, however, how some Gentile minds would be disturbed about the resurrection of the body. Being dead spiritually is a consequence of sin.

Physical death is also a consequence of sin (Rom. 5:12). The death of Christ atones for sin, therefore, it remedies the consequences of sin for those who obey him.

That means we can have the forgiveness of our sins; our souls can be made alive to God. It also means that he will redeem our bodies from physical death, which is also a consequence of sin.

And so, Christians are now alive in spirit, and they wait for the redemption of their bodies in the resurrection (Rom. 8:11,23).

The resurrection is not simply some peripheral New Testament teaching. It involves the final act of God's salvation plan — the victory over the last enemy (1 Cor. 15:54-58).

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