

The First Baptist Church of Columbus

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T I T L E: The Personal and Ethical Significance of the Resurrection of Christ

T E X T: 1 Corinthians 6: 14; 15:12-58; 2 Cor. 4:14

I. THE RESURRECTION BODY: HIS AND OURS

- A. The resurrected body of each believer will feature a dramatic physical change with a recognizable continuity of features.**

In answer to the question "Will we know each other in heaven?" the answer is yes although there may be an "initial double take" before we realize who it is we are communing with.

Jesus appears to Mary — John 20:11–18

Jesus appears to the 11 disciples — Luke 24:36–44

- B. The resurrected body of each believer will also feature a "new mode of existence" perfectly designed for eternity in heaven free from the debilitating issues of this life, i.e. no more weakness, sickness, emotional turmoil, disease, etc., and blessed with a physical and spiritual reality unimaginable in this life.**

1 Corinthians 2:9

- C. The resurrected body and emotional make up of each believer will experience for the first time a complete reversal of the effects of the fall of man, i.e. total depravity, thus for the first time experiencing what it means to be perfectly human capable of experiencing perfect fellowship and/or communion with the Lord in a perfect environment.**

Talk about the "Great Reset." The Lord has a mulligan of His own in mind.

II. THE ETHICAL SIGNIFICANCE OF HIS RESURRECTION

1 Corinthians 15:58

A. The resurrection of Christ encourages obedience to the Lord in this life.

Everything we do that is rooted in the scriptures, i.e. encouraged by the scriptures, everything we do to bring people into the kingdom of God and build them up will have eternal significance.

B. The resurrection of Christ encourages us to take comfort in contemplating our rewards in heaven knowing that the resurrection, His and ours, insures us that the struggles of this life will be repaid.

1 Corinthians 15:17–19; 1 Corinthians 15:32; Colossians 3:1–4

C. The resurrection of Christ obligates each believer to cooperate with the word of God and the work of the Holy Spirit in an attempt to live a sanctified Christian life, i.e. "...dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus."

Romans 6:11–13

Conclusion: