

Getting the Perfect Body

1 Corinthians 15:35-49 Dr. Chris Mueller Easter 2021

Introduction:

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35 But someone will say, "How are the dead raised? And with what kind of body do they come?"

#1 The _____ for the perfect body

36 You fool!

1st Dying

36 That which you sow does not come to life unless it dies;

2nd Difference

37 and that which you sow, you do not sow the body which is to be, but a bare grain, perhaps of wheat or of something else.

3rd Continuity

38 But God gives it a body just as He wished, and to each of the seeds a body of its own.

#2 The _____ of your perfect body

39 All flesh is not the same flesh, but there is one flesh of men, and another flesh of beasts, and another flesh of birds, and another of fish. 40 There are also heavenly bodies and earthly bodies, but the glory of the heavenly is one, and the glory of the earthly is another. 41 There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars; for star differs from star in glory. 42 So also is the resurrection of the dead.

Matthew 22:32

John 10:3

#3 The _____ of your perfect body

42 So also is the resurrection of the dead. It is sown a perishable body, it is raised an imperishable body; 43 it is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory; it is sown in weakness, it is raised in power; 44 it is sown a natural body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a natural body, there is also a spiritual body.

1st Durability vs 42

Ecclesiastes 3:20 All go to the same place. All came from the dust and all return to the dust.

Psalm 103:14-16 For He Himself knows our frame; He is mindful that we are but dust...

John 11:39 By this time there will be a stench, for he has been dead four days.

1 Peter 1:3-4 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to obtain an inheritance which is imperishable and undefiled and will not fade away, reserved in heaven for you.

1 Corinthians 15:54 When this perishable will have put on the imperishable, and this mortal will have put on immortality, then will come about the saying that is written, 'Death is swallowed up in victory'

2nd Potential vs 43a

3rd Ability vs 43b

4th Existence vs 44

Luke 20:34-36 The sons of this age marry and are given in marriage, but those who are considered worthy to attain to that age and the resurrection from the dead, neither marry, nor are given in marriage; for neither can they die anymore, for they are like angels, and are sons of God, being sons of the resurrection.

#4 The _____ of your perfect body

45 So also it is written, "The first MAN, Adam, BECAME A LIVING SOUL." The last Adam became a life-giving spirit. **46** However, the spiritual is not first, but the natural; then the spiritual. **47** The first man is from the earth, earthy; the second man is from heaven. **48** As is the earthy, so also are those who are earthy; and as is the heavenly, so also are those who are heavenly. **49** Just as we have borne the image of the earthy, we will also bear the image of the heavenly.

Romans 5:19 For as through the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, even so through the obedience of the One the many will be made righteous.

Philippians 3:21 Christ will transform the body of our humble state into conformity with the body of His glory.

1 John 3:2 As children of God...it has not appeared as yet what we shall be. But we know, when He appears, we shall be like Him.

Take Home:

A C _____ MOMENT

A C _____ MOTIVATION

QUESTIONS FOR GROWTH IN CHRIST

1. Why are unsaved men and women today so overconcerned and over-focused on their body and outward appearance?
2. Should Christians have a difference mindset than the unsaved about their current body and their future body?
3. What is so important about Christ's resurrection, and how is His resurrection connected to our resurrection?
4. Why is it crucial that believers receive a new eternal resurrected body?
5. If you are to receive a brand new, eternal, perfect body, how should that change the way you live today in the old body?
6. What steps must be taken for someone to know with certainty they will be in a future eternal body, enjoyed in a new universe forever?
7. What changes should Christians make in light of today's passage and what steps will you take to be a doer of the Word today?

