

The Certainty of Resurrection in God's Plans 1 Corinthians 15:20-34

Main Idea: Since all are raised in order to bring all in submission to God, you should live in submission to God now.

- I. You will be raised according to your relationship with Christ (vss 20-23).
 - A. Jesus is the first of all who will be raised (vss 20-22).

²⁸ "Do not marvel at this; for an hour is coming, in which all who are in the tombs will hear His voice, ²⁹ and will come forth; those who did the good *deeds* to a resurrection of life, those who committed the evil *deeds* to a resurrection of judgment. John 5:28-29 (NASB)

- B. Those in Christ are raised at his coming (vs.23- The First Resurrection)

⁴ Then I saw thrones, and they sat on them, and judgment was given to them. And I *saw* the souls of those who had been beheaded because of their testimony of Jesus and because of the word of God, and those who had not worshiped the beast or his image, and had not received the mark on their forehead and on their hand; and they came to life and reigned with Christ for a thousand years. ⁵ The rest of the dead did not come to life until the thousand years were completed. This is the first resurrection. ⁶ Blessed and holy is the one who has a part in the first resurrection; over these the second death has no power, but they will be priests of God and of Christ and will reign with Him for a thousand years. Revelation 20:4-6 (NASB)

- C. The resurrection of unbelievers occurs at the end of the Millennium Kingdom (Revelation 20:7-15- The Second Resurrection)

¹¹ Then I saw a great white throne and Him who sat upon it, from whose presence earth and heaven fled away, and no place was found for them. ¹² And I saw the dead, the great and the small, standing before the throne, and books were opened; and another book was opened, which is *the book* of life; and the dead were judged from the things which were written in the books, according to their deeds. ¹³ And the sea gave up the dead which were in it, and death and Hades gave up the dead which were in them; and they were judged, every one *of them* according to their deeds. ¹⁴ Then death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. This is the second death, the lake of fire. ¹⁵ And if anyone's name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire. Revelation 20:11-15 (NASB)

- II. All things and all beings will be put in submission to God (vss 24-28).

III. We live and you should live in submission to God in light of our certain resurrection
(vss 29-34).

IV. Make sure you are in the first resurrection.