

There will come a day when death will be utterly defeated a day when the final enemy will be destroyed (1 Corinthians 15:26, ESV).

On that day, believers will be clothed with new, glorified bodies. The Apostle Paul calls this the “resurrection body” or the “body of glory” (1 Corinthians 15:42-44, NIV). When the last trumpet sounds, all who have trusted in Jesus Christ whether alive or dead will be transformed. Those alive at His return will be changed instantly, while the dead will be raised imperishable (1 Corinthians 15:51-52, NIV).

*“Behold! I tell you a mystery. We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed,  
in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed.”  
(1 Corinthians 15:51-52, ESV)*

Those who died afflicted by sickness, disability, or weakness but who remained faithful will be resurrected completely healed and whole. No longer crippled, blind, deaf, or sick. The resurrection body is perfected, free from any suffering or decay (Philippians 3:20-21, NIV). Even those who suffered chronic illnesses such as cancer or diabetes will be raised

free from those conditions.

This is illustrated in the resurrection of Lazarus (John 11:38-44, NIV). Lazarus was physically dead, likely weakened by illness. When Jesus raised him, Lazarus came back to life fully restored. His decayed body was transformed into a living, healthy one. This resurrection was a preview of the final resurrection all believers will experience.

On that day, all who died in distress or sorrow will rise victorious, clothed in immortality and glory. They will join in the triumphant proclamation:

*“Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?”  
(1 Corinthians 15:55, NIV)*

Death, which once held humanity captive, will be swallowed up by victory through Jesus Christ. This victory is secured by His resurrection and guaranteed to all who believe in Him (Romans 6:9-10, ESV).

While physical death marks the end of this earthly life, hope for resurrection life remains the foundation of Christian faith. The Apostle

Paul emphasizes that death's sting the pain and separation it brings is removed through Christ's triumph (1 Corinthians 15:56, NIV).

**A solemn question remains:** If you have not accepted Jesus Christ as your Savior, where will you be on that day when the dead are raised and the righteous are clothed in incorruption? Scripture warns that not everyone will overcome death only those united with Christ in faith and holiness will share in this resurrection victory (John 11:25-26; 1 John 5:12).

Have you personally trusted Jesus? Are you confident that on that day, you will overcome death and enter eternal life? Or will you be left behind to face the great tribulation described in Revelation, suffering under the reign of the Antichrist?

If you are alive when Christ returns, will you be “caught up” with Him to meet Him in the air (1 Thessalonians 4:16-17, NIV)? This hope called the Rapture is promised to all believers who remain faithful and ready.

If you're uncertain about your standing, take this as a serious warning. Without faith in Christ and a life transformed by Him, you will not overcome death on that day. The Lord's coming will find some alive in their sins, and they will face judgment rather than deliverance.

Where, O Death, Is Your Victory?

**Maranatha! Come, Lord Jesus!**

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