

## Raised to Mortal Flesh

### Commentary for May 16, 2022 — Every Human Being Will Be Raised Mortal

Most of you reading this are aware that when believers in Christ die we will be raised from the dead to a mortal body. Then, almost immediately, we will put on "immortality":

**"In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.**

**For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, THEN shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, 'Death is swallowed up in victory.'"**

• **1 Corinthians 15:52–54**

When Christ returns, believers who died will be resurrected **first** to mortal flesh and then, almost instantaneously while in the air, they will have immortality **"put"** on them. They will receive a body composed of flesh and bone but no blood, with God's Holy Spirit throughout. It will **"be fashioned like unto His [Christ's] glorious body" at this moment** (Philippians 3:20–21; 1 John 3:2). This will occur to all believers who have the "seed" of God's Holy Spirit within them at death (2 Corinthians 1:22, 5:5; Ephesians 1:13–14). For **"No man can say that Jesus is the Lord, but [except] by the Holy Ghost [Spirit]** (1 Corinthians 12:3)."

Those who do not have God's Holy Spirit in them at death, they shall experience a resurrection to a mortal body. Yes, this huge group of people — many billions — will be raised by God to mortality. During this time each will learn the truth about God and Christ to fulfill their plan for all mankind to become mature — and glorified — children of God at the consummation resurrection to glory (1 Corinthians 15:22–28). **"Every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father ..."** all to God's glory (Philippians 2:10–11).

### **What Happens To Unbelievers And Reprobates In Their Judgments?**

Paul wrote in Hebrews 9:27: **"... it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment."** The Greek is better rendered **"a judging"** without the definite article. This should be no surprise because Jesus spoke many times about a judgment to come for unrepentant sinners and those who commit horrific crimes and evils. Reprobates are those who reject the truths of God after God opened their heart and mind to receive that truth. They will learn again to love God (Hebrews 10:26–31). See my article "[Losing Your Salvation](#)."

A process of the dead being raised to physical mortal bodies is described in the vision of Israelites being resurrected in Ezekiel 37:1–14. A similar process for each dead human being will likely take place: from dust, to bones, to a physical body, to a living soul that will go before the Great White Throne of God for judgment (Revelation 20:11–13). Neither Israelites nor Gentiles will receive immortal bodies until they learn, live, repent, and accept the Father as God and Christ as their Savior. When people suddenly find themselves alive, physical, and

healthy, they will pay attention to God's message and judgments. Every individual will be sinless. Why? Because they will have paid the price of sin with their death (Ezekiel 18:4, 20). Paul tells us that every human being was born a slave to sin (Romans 6:15–19):

**“For when you [Roman Gentiles] were the servants [slaves, in Greek] of sin, you were free from righteousness. What fruit had you then in those things whereof you are now ashamed? for the end of those things is death.**

**But now being made free from sin, and become servants to God, you have your fruit unto holiness, and the end everlasting [eonian] life. For the wages [rations] of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal [eonian] life through Jesus Christ our Lord.”**

• *Romans 6:20–23*

Note verse 23. Slaves do not receive **“wages”** (King James Version). Slaves receive rations. For all people, all sinners, that “ration” is death. Once dead they no longer are in slavery to sin. Once resurrected and mortal, they will sin (“miss the mark”) again, and require God's grace through Christ. Satan will be in prison and without influence, but just as you sin after you learned God's truths, the raised mortal humans will sin as they learn God's truths.

**“And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them. And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works. And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works.”**

• *Revelation 20:11–13*

The judgment at the Great White Throne is not just punishment for evils done to others, (though many punishments will be severe), the judgment will be mostly for education of the **“the full knowledge (*epignosis*, “realization”) of the truth”** about God, Christ, and their plan of salvation for all mankind (1 Timothy 2:4; 1 Corinthians 15:27–28). All will be **[1]** reconciled to God, but also **[2]** all perpetrators will beg forgiveness of victims, and **[3]** victims will reconcile with perpetrators of evils. By this process Christ will lead every human being (and all creation) to be reconciled to God as all reconcile to one another (Romans 5:10–12; 2 Corinthians 5:18–20; and Colossians 1:20–22, 4:14–19). It is hard to believe, but true.

Unbelievers will be judged according to how much they knew about God (Romans chapter 1). They will learn and accept God's love and Christ's mission of salvation that you know now. Very few people since creation ever learned God's truths, or His will for humanity. God chose them to learn His truths later during the judgment period. See [“Your Place in God's Lottery.”](#)

ALL judgments of God shall accomplish the **WILL** of our Father according to His own purpose (Ephesians 1:11). God's will for multiple billions of human beings includes the full **“knowledge of the truth”** to be learned by every person (1 Timothy 2:4). That teaching will come through the work of Christ, **“the firstborn from the dead”** (Colossians 1:18). We who will be glorified in the first resurrection no doubt will assist God our Father and Christ.

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