THE GLORY OF THE RESURRECTION (3)

(We Shall Be Like Jesus)

1 Corinthians 15:35-58

Key Verse: 15:49

* THE RESURRECTION PRINCIPLE (35-49)

1. Review: What was the main point of verses 1-11? Of verses 12-34?

- 2. How and why do people turn their doubts into theological questions? What is the meaning behind these questions? What did Jesus say about the resurrection of the dead? (Jn 5:28,29)
- 3. What is the resurrection principle taught in verse 36? (Compare Jn 12:24; Mk 8:34b,35) What was Paul's attitude toward this principle? (15:31a; Ro 8:18; 2 Ti 1:8,9) What was the disciples' reaction to this principle at first, and how insistent was Jesus? (Mk 8:31,32)
- 4. Read 37,38. To what does Paul compare a person's body? How is the seed that is planted different from the body which grows from it? Look at verses 39-41. What does it mean that each body has its own splendor?
- 5. How many times is "glory" or "splendor" repeated in verses 35-44? What does this suggest about the purpose of God in his works of creation? How is human glory different from the heavenly glory?
- 6. How does Paul teach that man has both a physical body and a spiritual body? Why is it important that we know this truth? What is the glorious hope given us in these verses?

7. Who are the two Adams? How are they different? What do we receive from each? What is the promise God gives us in verse 49? What does this mean?

* THE GLORY OF THE SECOND COMING OF CHRIST (50-57)

- 8. What is the mystery? Why is it necessary to be changed? (50-52)
- 9. What is the great event that heralds this change? How is the work of Jesus different the second time he comes? (Jn 5:28,29) What happens to those who are not Jesus' people? (Rev 21:8) How will we be changed? (52-54)
- 10. What does the second coming of Christ mean to believers? To unbe-lievers? (54-57) What is the great victory? What does this teach us about sin and death? What is the source of victory?

* THEREFORE, MY DEAR BROTHERS (58)

11.In view of this assurance of victory, how must we live? What is our joy and confidence? (49,57,58)