

“a living hope”

- **1 Peter 1:3 (NASB95)** — 3 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,
- **1 Peter 1:3 (LBLA)** — 3 Bendito sea el Dios y Padre de nuestro Señor Jesucristo, quien según su gran misericordia, nos ha hecho nacer de nuevo a una esperanza viva, mediante la resurrección de Jesucristo de entre los muertos,

“The trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed” (1 Corinthians 15:52).

1 Corinthians 15:52 (LBLA) 52 en un momento, en un abrir y cerrar de ojos, a la trompeta final; pues la trompeta sonará y los muertos resucitarán incorruptibles, y nosotros seremos transformados.

1 Thessalonians 4:14 - (NASB) *14 For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so God will bring with Him those who have fallen asleep in Jesus.*

1 Thessalonians 4:14 (LBLA) *14 Porque si creemos que Jesús murió y resucitó, así también Dios traerá con El a los que durmieron en Jesús.*

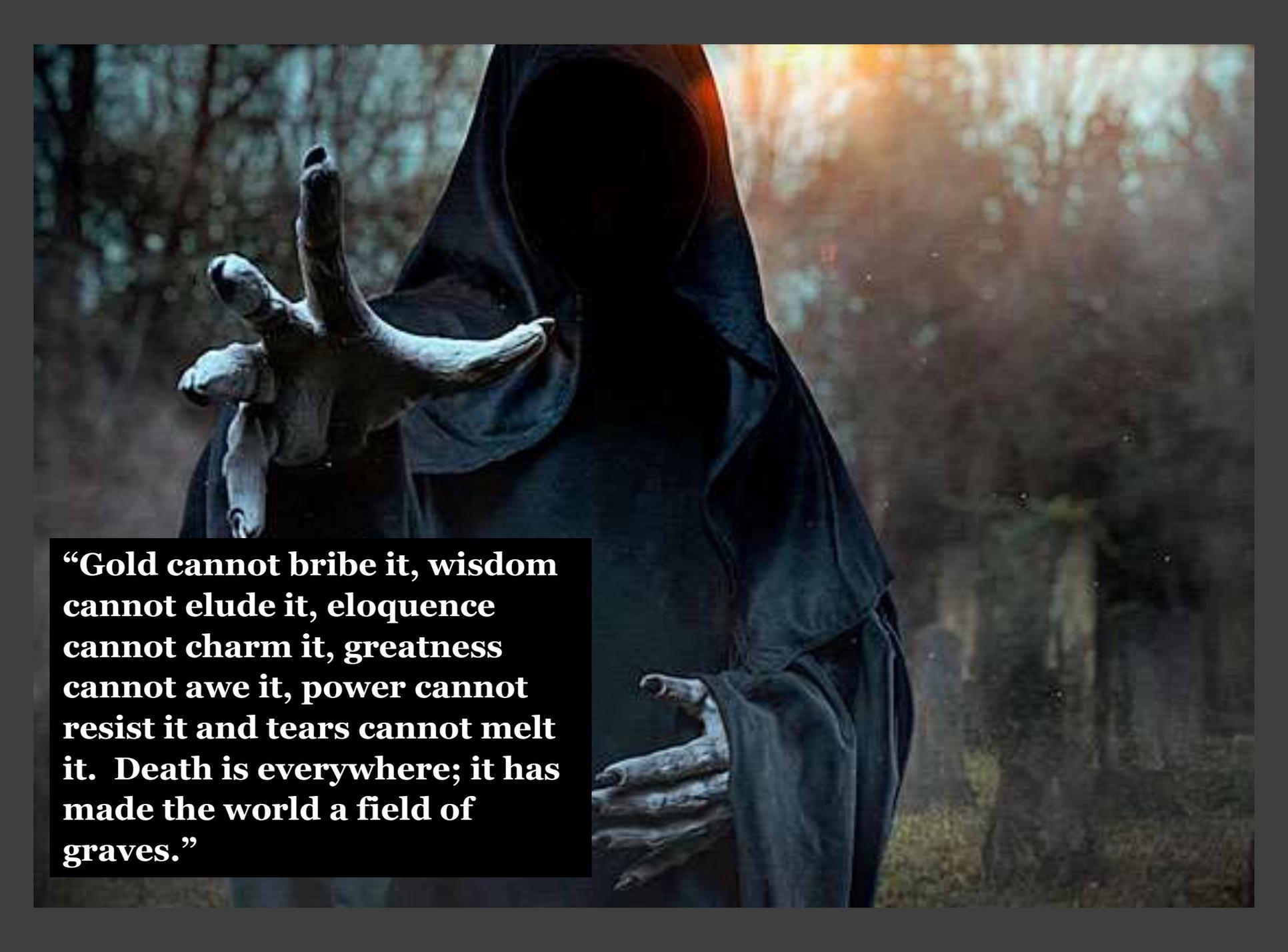
“We who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. 18 Therefore comfort one another with these words. ” (1 Thessalonians 4:17-18).

1 Thessalonians 4:17-18 (LBLA) 17 Entonces nosotros, los que estemos vivos y que permanezcamos, seremos arrebatados juntamente con ellos en las nubes al encuentro del Señor en el aire, y así estaremos con el Señor siempre. 18 Por tanto, confortaos unos a otros con estas palabras.

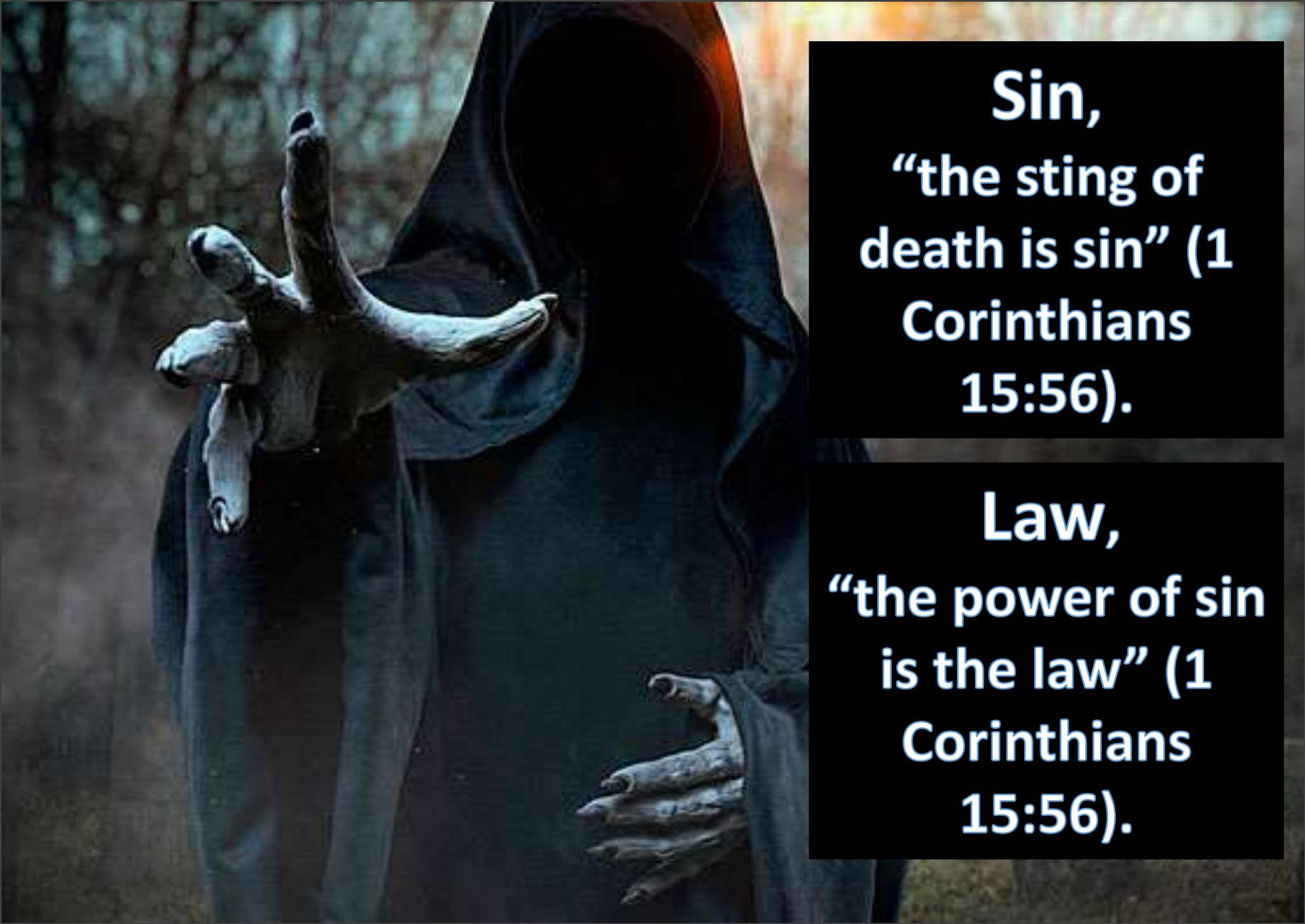
I) HOW CAN THIS CHANGE OUR ATTITUDE TOWARD DEATH?

- 1 Corinthians 15:54 - *When the perishable puts on the imperishable, and the mortal puts on immortality, then shall come to pass the saying that is written: 'Death is swallowed up in victory.'*
- 1 Corinthians 15:54 (LBLA) *54 Pero cuando esto corruptible se haya vestido de incorrupción, y esto mortal se haya vestido de inmortalidad, entonces se cumplirá la palabra que está escrita: DEVORADA HA SIDO LA MUERTE en victoria.*

- Hebrews 9:27 (NASB95) — 27 And inasmuch as it is appointed for men to die once and after this comes judgment,
- Hebrews 9:27 (LBLA) — 27 Y así como está decretado que los hombres mueran una sola vez, y después de esto, el juicio,

A person wearing a black hooded robe with skeletal hands is shown against a sunset background. The person's hands are raised, and the background is a warm, golden glow from the setting sun, with dark, silhouetted trees in the foreground.

“Gold cannot bribe it, wisdom cannot elude it, eloquence cannot charm it, greatness cannot awe it, power cannot resist it and tears cannot melt it. Death is everywhere; it has made the world a field of graves.”



Sin,
“the sting of
death is sin” (1
Corinthians
15:56).

Law,
“the power of sin
is the law” (1
Corinthians
15:56).

Death - the outcome that we cannot avoid.

- *“I don’t know what you’re worried about. You live, you die. You make the best of it. And when you’re gone, you’re gone.”*

*“You’re like the
proverbial dog Rover,
you’re dead all over.”*

A **demand** that we cannot meet,
a **stain** that we cannot remove
and an **outcome** that we cannot
avoid—

Law, Sin and Death!

- Romans 8:3-4 (NASB) *3 For what the Law could not do, weak as it was through the flesh, God did: sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and as an offering for sin, He condemned sin in the flesh, 4 so that the requirement of the Law might be fulfilled in us, who do not walk according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.*
- Romans 8:3-4 (LBLA) - *3 Pues lo que la ley no pudo hacer, ya que era débil por causa de la carne, Dios lo hizo: enviando a su propio Hijo en semejanza de carne de pecado y como ofrenda por el pecado, condenó al pecado en la carne, 4 para que el requisito de la ley se cumpliera en nosotros, que no andamos conforme a la carne, sino conforme al Espíritu.*

- *Christ lived a perfect life that completely fulfilled the law of God.*
- *Jesus laid down his perfect life as the perfect sacrifice for our sins.*

- 1 John 2:2 (GW) 2 *He is the payment for our sins, and not only for our sins, but also for the sins of the whole world.*
- 1 John 2:2 (LBLA) 2 *El mismo es la propiciación por nuestros pecados, y no sólo por los nuestros, sino también por los del mundo entero.*

What did He do?

Christ experienced our death.

“The wages of sin is death.”

Romans 6:23



**FATHER, INTO YOUR HANDS
I COMMIT MY SPIRIT**

LUKE 23:46

2 Corinthians 5:21 (NIV2011) **21** *God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.*

2 Corinthians 5:21 (LBLA) **21** *Al que no conoció pecado, le hizo pecado por nosotros, para que fuéramos hechos justicia de Dios en El.*

*“Thanks be to God
who gives us the
victory through
Jesus Christ our
Lord”*

(1 Corinthians 15:57).

II) WHAT HAS GOD TOLD US ABOUT THE RESURRECTION BODY?

• *“Behold, I tell you a mystery.”* 1 Corinthians 15:51

- But God has told us some things, and what He has told us is our **hope, comfort and joy.**

Imperishable

- *“What is sown is perishable; what is raised is imperishable.”* 1
Corinthians 15:42



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“For as the goldsmith melts down the old broken vessel, and casts it over again in a new mold... so shall the... body, which lay dissolved in the grave, come forth at the resurrection, in perfect beauty and lovely proportion. [So] do not be discouraged by reason of a weak or sickly body – there is a day coming when you shall be entirely whole.”

Glorious

- *“It is sown in dishonor; it is raised in glory.” 1 Corinthians 15:43*
- *Philippians 3:21 (NIV2011) **21** who, by the power that enables him to bring everything under his control, will transform our lowly bodies so that they will be like his glorious body.*
 - *Philippians 3:21 (LBLA) **21** el cual transformará el cuerpo de nuestro estado de humillación en conformidad al cuerpo de su gloria, por el ejercicio del poder que tiene aun para sujetar todas las cosas a sí mismo.*

**“Brilliant, brilliant
light... bodies so
luminous, so splendid,
so light-bearing, so
majestic that in them
the glory of God
Himself is seen.”**

Powerful

- *“It is sown in weakness; it is raised in power.” 1 Corinthians 15:43*
- *“The body is going to have more energy, more capability, more stamina, more athleticism, more speed, more coordination, more durability than it ever, ever had because we’re not going to need the body less, we’re going to need it more...”*

Spiritual

- *“It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body.”* 1 Corinthians 15:44

- Alec Motyer says... **“The Christian’s present experience... is that the body militates against living the godly life. There is a downward drag in our bodily members, so that frequently our best intentions and ideals are destroyed by the inability and rebellion of the body. How marvelous then is the promise of a body which will respond automatically to the promptings of God and will be the perfect vehicle for the expression of the new nature.”**

III) What Will the Resurrection Mean for You?

“An hour is coming when all who are in the tombs will hear his voice and come out, those who have done good to the resurrection of life, and those who have done evil to the resurrection of judgment”
(John 5:28-29).

John 5:28-29 (LBLA) **28** *No os admiréis de esto, porque viene la hora en que todos los que están en los sepulcros oirán su voz, 29 y saldrán: los que hicieron lo bueno, a resurrección de vida, y los que practicaron lo malo, a resurrección de juicio.*

• *Well, my friend, it's good to be back together after that awful separation we endured. It was all right for you—you went into the presence of Jesus. I got stuck in a grave!*

The silver cord that tied us together was cut, but now we are reunited, and we'll never be separated again. How different this is from the moment that we were pulled apart.

• *I am so glad to be your body. Your great longing was that Christ should be in us. You knew that Christ in us was our hope of glory. You made me a temple of the Holy Spirit. You have brought me into all of this joy.*

• *I'm sorry I made life so hard for you. I was often a burden to you; so slow, so sluggish, so reluctant. How often you were willing; I was weak.*

• *I know I was difficult for you to master. But you mastered me well. You made these eyes shed tears over sin. You led these knees to kneel before God in faith and repentance. You used this tongue in confession and prayer and thanksgiving, and now it will be used in praises forevermore.*

• *I'm so grateful you did not let me have my way. Others pampered their flesh, lived for their comfort, followed the lusts of their bodies and it led to their destruction. But here I am, risen and taking my place with you in mansions of glory.*

• *And now, my soul, no more will you complain of a sick and weary body. Now I will keep pace with you in the praises of our God forevermore.*

- *I'm so happy to be reunited with you, my friend. You were, and are and always will be, a temple of the Holy Spirit.*

Arise, my body. and come with me: Let the eyes that used to weep over sins look with joy on the face of the Redeemer. Let the ears that heard the Word of Life come and hear the songs of heaven. Let the feet that took me to worship with the people of God take their place in the great congregation of above. Let the tongue that confessed faith in Christ, join the choirs of heaven to sing His praises forevermore.

- *Listen, to me my body: Often you have been fasting, now you will be feasting. Often you have wept, but now all tears will be wiped from your eyes. We took part in the fight together; come, let us together receive and wear the crown.*

WHAT WILL THE RESURRECTION OF JUDGMENT BE LIKE?

- *“All who are in the tombs will hear his voice and come out... those who have done evil to the resurrection of judgment.” John 5:28-29*

- *I would rather have been the body of a dog or a donkey than to be your body. Then at least I would be allowed to rest in peace.*
- *But now, because of you, I am raised up to face this awful eternity. You gave me what I wanted and led me to destruction. It was cruel kindness—you hugged me to death. You took me down.*
- *You made me an instrument of unrighteousness. Your pride made me boast. Your greed made me a slave to work. Your rage made me curse and scoff.*
- *You kept me from hearing the truth that could have saved me. Every time the truth got near, you ran off in flights of imagination, and now we're bound together in an everlasting loss.*

- *Don't blame me, you wretched hypocrite! I am now driven back into you, and I wish you had lain forever in the grave.*
- *It was by caring about you that I lost myself. It was in gratifying your senses that I was ruined! It was to please you that I turned away from opportunities to make peace with God. It was because of you that I neglected prayer, and chose a life of comfort. It was because of you that I denied Christ and forsook His cause in the world.*
- *When my conscience was awakened, I thought about my sins—you distracted me. You found a thousand things to do. Wretched flesh! It was the cords of your lust that drew me down into our destruction.*

there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth...



Jesus says, *“There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth”* ([Luke 13:28](#)).

*Whatever is on your
mind today...*

*...nothing can be more
important than this!*

- Whoever comes to me, I will never turn away.
John 6:37
- John 6:37 (LBLA) — 37 Todo lo que el Padre me da, vendrá a mí; y al que viene a mí, de ningún modo lo echaré fuera.