

The Tsunami Blessing Inside and Out, Part 103 Scriptures

God already gave you His best gift, Jesus Christ! Why then would He ever withhold anything else from you? He would never! He has bestowed to you—His heir and joint-heir with Jesus—all that He is and all that He has. Be determined to stand confidently in the receiving posture where you are always next in line. Because God loves you just as much as He loves Jesus, He shared His favorite spot with you!

When you were born, you were created in the image and likeness of God, Jesus, and Holy Spirit naturally. Moreover, when you are born again, you have a supernatural disposition as a habitation of God through Holy Spirit where Jesus Christ lives in your heart by faith. God extended His everlasting mercy to cram the breach that once was impossible for you to be forgiven. Because of the blood of Jesus, you are repositioned to receive what Abba Father always desired you to have, His everlasting favor.

Now recreated in Christ, old things have passed away and all things are new. Believing grants you the life Jesus Christ came to share. Resurrection life decrees dead things are fully alive. Abundant life decrees all things thrive. Eternal life decrees nothing ever dies.

1. You are perfectly in union with Jesus Christ. God sees you in Him because you are accepted in the Beloved and covered by His blood.

Ephesians 1:3 King James Version (KJV)

³Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ:

Galatians 2:19-21 The Passion Translation (TPT)

¹⁹“But because the Messiah lives in me, I’ve now died to the law’s dominion over me so that I can live for God.

²⁰“My old identity has been co-crucified with Messiah and no longer lives; *for the nails of his cross crucified me with him*. And now the essence of this new life is no longer mine, for the Anointed One lives his life through me—we *live in union as one!* My new life is empowered by the faith of the Son of God

who loves me so much that he gave himself for me, and dispenses his life into mine!^[a]

²¹“So that is why I don’t view God’s grace as something minor or peripheral. For if keeping the law could release God’s righteousness to us, the Anointed One would have died for nothing.”

Footnotes:

- a. [Galatians 2:20](#) The last sentence of this verse in Aramaic is plural, “us.”

Romans 6:5-9 The Passion Translation (TPT)

⁵For since we are permanently grafted into him^[a] to experience a death like his, then we are permanently grafted into him to experience a resurrection like his and the new life that it imparts.

⁶Could it be any clearer^[b] that our former identity^[c] is now and forever deprived of its power? For we were co-crucified with him to dismantle the stronghold of sin within us,^[d] so that we would not continue to live one moment longer submitted to sin’s power.^[e]

⁷Obviously, a dead person is incapable of sinning. ⁸And if we were co-crucified with the Anointed One, we know that we will also share in the fullness of his life. ⁹And we know that since the Anointed One has been raised from the dead to die no more, his resurrection life has vanquished death and its power over him is finished.

Footnotes:

- a. [Romans 6:5](#) Or “if we have become grown together as one with him.”
- b. [Romans 6:6](#) Or “Coming to know this,” or “Coming to the realization.”
- c. [Romans 6:6](#) The Aramaic can be translated “our old son of Adam.”
- d. [Romans 6:6](#) Or “body of sin would no longer have dominion over us.”
- e. [Romans 6:6](#) Or “that the body of sin might be annulled” (put out of business). To beg God for victory over sin is a refusal to understand that we have already died to sin. Our joyful task is to believe the good news, rather than to seek to “crucify ourselves.” Sin is not suppressed by the cross; it is eliminated. Upon this “water” God commands us to step out and walk upon it, for we are now in him.

Romans 6:3-5 The Passion Translation (TPT)

³Or have you forgotten that all of us who were immersed into union with Jesus, the Anointed One, were immersed into union with his death?

⁴Sharing in his death by our baptism means that we were co-buried and entombed with him, so that when the Father's glory raised Christ from the dead, we were also raised with him. We have been co-resurrected with him so that we could be empowered to walk in the freshness of new life. ⁵For since we are permanently grafted into him^[a] to experience a death like his, then we are permanently grafted into him to experience a resurrection like his and the new life that it imparts.

Footnotes:

- a. [Romans 6:5](#) Or "if we have become grown together as one with him."

Ephesians 2:5-7 The Passion Translation (TPT)

⁵Even when we were dead and doomed in our many sins, he united us into the very life of Christ and saved us by his wonderful grace! ⁶He raised us up with Christ the exalted One, *and we ascended with him into the glorious perfection and authority* of the heavenly realm, for we are now co-seated^[a] as one with Christ!

⁷Throughout the coming ages^[b] we will be the visible display of the infinite, limitless riches of his grace and kindness, which was showered upon us in Jesus Christ.

2. Jesus showed you the way of escape for every trial, test, and temptation. Jesus is Conqueror and you are more than a conqueror.

Genesis 3 Living Bible (TLB)

3 The serpent was the craftiest of all the creatures the Lord God had made. So the serpent came to the woman. "Really?" he asked. "None of the fruit in the garden? God says you mustn't eat *any* of it?"

²⁻³“Of course we may eat it,” the woman told him. “It’s only the fruit from the tree at the *center* of the garden that we are not to eat. God says we mustn’t eat it or even touch it, or we will die.”

⁴“That’s a lie!” the serpent hissed. “You’ll not die! ⁵God knows very well that the instant you eat it you will become like him, for your eyes will be opened—you will be able to distinguish good from evil!”

⁶The woman was convinced. How lovely and fresh looking it was! And it would make her so wise! So she ate some of the fruit and gave some to her husband, and he ate it too. ⁷And as they ate it, suddenly they became aware of their nakedness, and were embarrassed. So they strung fig leaves together to cover themselves around the hips.

⁸That evening they heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden; and they hid themselves among the trees. ⁹The Lord God called to Adam, “Why are you hiding?”^[a]

¹⁰And Adam replied, “I heard you coming and didn’t want you to see me naked. So I hid.”

¹¹“Who told you you were naked?” the Lord God asked. “Have you eaten fruit from the tree I warned you about?”

¹²“Yes,” Adam admitted, “but it was the woman you gave me who brought me some, and I ate it.”

¹³Then the Lord God asked the woman, “How could you do such a thing?”

“The serpent tricked me,” she replied.

¹⁴So the Lord God said to the serpent, “This is your punishment: You are singled out from among all the domestic and wild animals of the whole earth—to be cursed. You shall grovel in the dust as long as you live, crawling along on your belly. ¹⁵From now on you and the woman will be enemies, as will your offspring and hers. You will strike his heel, but he will crush your head.”

¹⁶Then God said to the woman, “You shall bear children in intense pain and suffering; yet even so, you shall welcome your husband’s affections, and he shall be your master.”

¹⁷And to Adam, God said, "Because you listened to your wife and ate the fruit when I told you not to, I have placed a curse upon the soil. All your life you will struggle to extract a living from it. ¹⁸It will grow thorns and thistles for you, and you shall eat its grasses. ¹⁹All your life you will sweat to master it, until your dying day. Then you will return to the ground from which you came. For you were made from the ground, and to the ground you will return."

²⁰The man named his wife Eve (meaning "The life-giving one"),^[b] for he said, "She shall become the mother of all mankind"; ²¹and the Lord God clothed Adam and his wife with garments made from skins of animals.

²²Then the Lord said, "Now that the man has become as we are, knowing good from bad, what if he eats the fruit of the Tree of Life and lives forever?" ²³So the Lord God banished him forever from the Garden of Eden, and sent him out to farm the ground from which he had been taken. ²⁴Thus God expelled him, and placed mighty angels at the east of the Garden of Eden, with a flaming sword to guard the entrance to the Tree of Life.

Footnotes:

- a. [Genesis 3:9](#) *Why are you hiding?* or "Where are you?"
- b. [Genesis 3:20](#) *Eve (meaning "The life-giving one")*. Many Hebrew names are based on puns. In this instance the Hebrew word for *Eve* sounds similar to a Hebrew word that means "life-giving."

Luke 4:1-14 Living Bible (TLB)

4 ¹⁻²Then Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, left the Jordan River, being urged by the Spirit out into the barren wastelands of Judea, where satan tempted him for forty days. He ate nothing all that time and was very hungry.

³satan said, "If you are God's Son, tell this stone to become a loaf of bread."

⁴But Jesus replied, "It is written in the Scriptures, 'Other things in life are much more important than bread!'"^[a]

⁵Then satan took him up and revealed to him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time; ⁶⁻⁷and the devil told him, "I will give you all these

splendid kingdoms and their glory—for they are mine to give to anyone I wish—if you will only get down on your knees and worship me.”

⁸ Jesus replied, “We must worship God, and him alone. So it is written in the Scriptures.”

⁹⁻¹¹ Then satan took him to Jerusalem to a high roof of the Temple and said, “If you are the Son of God, jump off! For the Scriptures say that God will send his angels to guard you and to keep you from crashing to the pavement below!”

¹² Jesus replied, “The Scriptures also say, ‘Do not put the Lord your God to a foolish test.’”

¹³ When the devil had ended all the temptations, he left Jesus for a while and went away.

¹⁴ Then Jesus returned to Galilee, full of the Holy Spirit’s power. Soon he became well known throughout all that region

Footnotes:

- a. [Luke 4:4](#) *Other things in life are much more important than bread*, literally, “Man shall not live by bread alone,” compare [Deuteronomy 8:3](#).

3.Submitting yourself to God is sanctification. Actively resisting the world, the flesh, and devil is separation.

Colossians 3:1-17 King James Version (KJV)

3 If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God.

² Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth.

³ For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God.

⁴ When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with him in glory.

⁵Mortify therefore your members which are upon the earth; fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and covetousness, which is idolatry:

⁶For which things' sake the wrath of God cometh on the children of disobedience:

⁷In the which ye also walked some time, when ye lived in them.

⁸But now ye also put off all these; anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication out of your mouth.

⁹Lie not one to another, seeing that ye have put off the old man with his deeds;

¹⁰And have put on the new man, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him:

¹¹Where there is neither Greek nor Jew, circumcision nor uncircumcision, Barbarian, Scythian, bond nor free: but Christ is all, and in all.

¹²Put on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering;

¹³Forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye.

¹⁴And above all these things put on charity, which is the bond of perfectness.

¹⁵And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to the which also ye are called in one body; and be ye thankful.

¹⁶Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.

¹⁷And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him.

John 10:10 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

¹⁰The thief comes only in order to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have *and* enjoy life, and have it in abundance (to the full, till it ^[a]overflows).

4.You can only reign in this life as you realize you have been co-crucified, co-buried, co-resurrected, and co-seated with Christ.

Romans 5 Living Bible (TLB)

5 So now, since we have been made right in God's sight by faith in his promises, we can have real peace with him because of what Jesus Christ our Lord has done for us. ²For because of our faith, he has brought us into this place of highest privilege where we now stand, and we confidently and joyfully look forward to actually becoming all that God has had in mind for us to be.

³We can rejoice, too, when we run into problems and trials, for we know that they are good for us—they help us learn to be patient. ⁴And patience develops strength of character in us and helps us trust God more each time we use it until finally our hope and faith are strong and steady. ⁵Then, when that happens, we are able to hold our heads high no matter what happens and know that all is well, for we know how dearly God loves us, and we feel this warm love everywhere within us because God has given us the Holy Spirit to fill our hearts with his love.

⁶When we were utterly helpless, with no way of escape, Christ came at just the right time and died for us sinners who had no use for him. ⁷Even if we were good, we really wouldn't expect anyone to die for us, though, of course, that might be barely possible. ⁸But God showed his great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners. ⁹And since by his blood he did all this for us as sinners, how much more will he do for us now that he has declared us not guilty? Now he will save us from all of God's wrath to come. ¹⁰And since, when we were his enemies, we were brought back to God by the death of his Son, what blessings he must have for us now that we are his friends and he is living within us!

¹¹ Now we rejoice in our wonderful new relationship with God—all because of what our Lord Jesus Christ has done in dying for our sins—making us friends of God.

¹² When Adam sinned, sin entered the entire human race. His sin spread death throughout all the world, so everything began to grow old and die,^[a] for all sinned. ¹³ We know that it was Adam's sin that caused this^[b] because although, of course, people were sinning from the time of Adam until Moses, God did not in those days judge them guilty of death for breaking his laws—because he had not yet given his laws to them nor told them what he wanted them to do. ¹⁴ So when their bodies died it was not for their own sins^[c] since they themselves had never disobeyed God's special law against eating the forbidden fruit, as Adam had.

What a contrast between Adam and Christ who was yet to come! ¹⁵ And what a difference between man's sin and God's forgiveness!

For this one man, Adam, brought death to many through his *sin*. But this one man, Jesus Christ, brought forgiveness to many through God's *mercy*. ¹⁶ Adam's *one* sin brought the penalty of death to many, while Christ freely takes away *many* sins and gives glorious life instead. ¹⁷ The sin of this one man, Adam, caused *death to be king over all*, but all who will take God's gift of forgiveness and acquittal are *kings of life*^[d] because of this one man, Jesus Christ. ¹⁸ Yes, Adam's *sin* brought *punishment* to all, but Christ's *righteousness* makes men *right with God*, so that they can live. ¹⁹ Adam caused many to be sinners because he *disobeyed* God, and Christ caused many to be made acceptable to God because he *obeyed*.

²⁰ The Ten Commandments were given so that all could see the extent of their failure to obey God's laws. But the more we see our sinfulness, the more we see God's abounding grace forgiving us. ²¹ Before, sin ruled over all men and brought them to death, but now God's kindness rules instead, giving us right standing with God and resulting in eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Footnotes:

- a. [Romans 5:12](#) *His sin spread . . . grow old and die*, literally, "Sin entered into the world and death through sin."

- b. [Romans 5:13](#) *We know that it was Adam's sin that caused this*, implied.
- c. [Romans 5:14](#) *So when their bodies died it was not for their own sins*, implied.
- d. [Romans 5:17](#) *are kings of life*, literally, "reign in life."

5.As Holy Spirit takes the lead you will completely experience eternal life, abundant life, and resurrection life.

Romans 8 King James Version (KJV)

8 There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.

²For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death.

³For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh:

⁴That the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.

⁵For they that are after the flesh do mind the things of the flesh; but they that are after the Spirit the things of the Spirit.

⁶For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace.

⁷Because the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be.

⁸So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God.

⁹But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you. Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his.

¹⁰And if Christ be in you, the body is dead because of sin; but the Spirit is life because of righteousness.

¹¹But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you.

¹²Therefore, brethren, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live after the flesh.

¹³For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die: but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live.

¹⁴For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.

¹⁵For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father.

¹⁶The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God:

¹⁷And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together.

¹⁸For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us.

¹⁹For the earnest expectation of the creature waiteth for the manifestation of the sons of God.

²⁰For the creature was made subject to vanity, not willingly, but by reason of him who hath subjected the same in hope,

²¹Because the creature itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God.

²²For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now.

²³And not only they, but ourselves also, which have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body.

²⁴For we are saved by hope: but hope that is seen is not hope: for what a man seeth, why doth he yet hope for?

²⁵But if we hope for that we see not, then do we with patience wait for it.

²⁶Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered.

²⁷And he that searcheth the hearts knoweth what is the mind of the Spirit, because he maketh intercession for the saints according to the will of God.

²⁸And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose.

²⁹For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren.

³⁰Moreover whom he did predestinate, them he also called: and whom he called, them he also justified: and whom he justified, them he also glorified.

³¹What shall we then say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us?

³²He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things?

³³Who shall lay any thing to the charge of God's elect? It is God that justifieth.

³⁴Who is he that condemneth? It is Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again, who is even at the right hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us.

³⁵Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

³⁶As it is written, For thy sake we are killed all the day long; we are accounted as sheep for the slaughter.

³⁷Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us.

³⁸For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come,

³⁹Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

6.Never confuse the life Jesus has come to share with you with death. Freely release what you have been given and watch it multiply.

1 Corinthians 15 Living Bible (TLB)

15 Now let me remind you, brothers, of what the Gospel really is, for it has not changed—it is the same Good News I preached to you before. You welcomed it then and still do now, for your faith is squarely built upon this wonderful message; ²and it is this Good News that saves you if you still firmly believe it, unless of course you never really believed it in the first place.

³I passed on to you right from the first what had been told to me, that Christ died for our sins just as the Scriptures said he would, ⁴and that he was buried, and that three days afterwards he arose from the grave just as the prophets foretold. ⁵He was seen by Peter and later by the rest of “the Twelve.”^[a] ⁶After that he was seen by more than five hundred Christian brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died by now. ⁷Then James saw him, and later all the apostles. ⁸Last of all I saw him too, long after the others, as though I had been born almost too late for this. ⁹For I am the least worthy of all the apostles, and I shouldn’t even be called an apostle at all after the way I treated the church of God.

¹⁰But whatever I am now it is all because God poured out such kindness and grace upon me—and not without results: for I have worked harder than all the other apostles, yet actually I wasn’t doing it, but God working in me, to bless me. ¹¹It makes no difference who worked the hardest, I or they; the important thing is that we preached the Gospel to you and you believed it.

¹²But tell me this! Since you believe what we preach, that *Christ* rose from the dead, why are some of you saying that dead people will never come back to life again? ¹³For if there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ must still be dead. ¹⁴And if he is still dead, then all our preaching is useless and your trust in God is empty, worthless, hopeless; ¹⁵and we apostles are all liars because we have said that God raised Christ from the grave, and of course that isn’t true if the dead do not come back to life again. ¹⁶If they don’t, then Christ is still dead, ¹⁷and you are very foolish to keep on trusting

God to save you, and you are still under condemnation for your sins; ¹⁸in that case, all Christians who have died are lost! ¹⁹And if being a Christian is of value to us only now in this life, we are the most miserable of creatures.

²⁰But the fact is that Christ did actually rise from the dead and has become the first of millions^(b) who will come back to life again someday.

²¹Death came into the world because of what one man (Adam) did, and it is because of what this other man (Christ) has done that now there is the resurrection from the dead. ²²Everyone dies because all of us are related to Adam, being members of his sinful race, and wherever there is sin, death results. But all who are related to Christ will rise again. ²³Each, however, in his own turn: Christ rose first; then when Christ comes back, all his people will become alive again.

²⁴After that the end will come when he will turn the Kingdom over to God the Father, having put down all enemies of every kind. ²⁵For Christ will be King until he has defeated all his enemies, ²⁶including the last enemy—death. This too must be defeated and ended. ²⁷For the rule and authority over all things has been given to Christ by his Father; except, of course, Christ does not rule over the Father himself, who gave him this power to rule. ²⁸When Christ has finally won the battle against all his enemies, then he, the Son of God, will put himself also under his Father's orders, so that God who has given him the victory over everything else will be utterly supreme.

²⁹If the dead will not come back to life again, then what point is there in people being baptized for those who are gone? Why do it unless you believe that the dead will someday rise again?

³⁰And why should we ourselves be continually risking our lives, facing death hour by hour? ³¹For it is a fact that I face death daily; that is as true as my pride in your growth in the Lord. ³²And what value was there in fighting wild beasts—those men of Ephesus—if it was only for what I gain in this life down here? If we will never live again after we die, then we might as well go and have ourselves a good time: let us eat, drink, and be merry. What's the difference? For tomorrow we die, and that ends everything!

³³Don't be fooled by those who say such things. If you listen to them you will start acting like them. ³⁴Get some sense and quit your sinning. For to

your shame I say it; some of you are not even Christians at all and have never really known God.^[c]

³⁵ But someone may ask, "How will the dead be brought back to life again? What kind of bodies will they have?" ³⁶ What a foolish question! You will find the answer in your own garden! When you put a seed into the ground it doesn't grow into a plant unless it "dies" first. ³⁷ And when the green shoot comes up out of the seed, it is very different from the seed you first planted. For all you put into the ground is a dry little seed of wheat or whatever it is you are planting, ³⁸ then God gives it a beautiful new body—just the kind he wants it to have; a different kind of plant grows from each kind of seed. ³⁹ And just as there are different kinds of seeds and plants, so also there are different kinds of flesh. Humans, animals, fish, and birds are all different.

⁴⁰ The angels^[d] in heaven have bodies far different from ours, and the beauty and the glory of their bodies is different from the beauty and the glory of ours. ⁴¹ The sun has one kind of glory while the moon and stars have another kind. And the stars differ from each other in their beauty and brightness.

⁴² In the same way, our earthly bodies which die and decay are different from the bodies we shall have when we come back to life again, for they will never die. ⁴³ The bodies we have now embarrass us, for they become sick and die; but they will be full of glory when we come back to life again. Yes, they are weak, dying bodies now, but when we live again they will be full of strength. ⁴⁴ They are just human bodies at death, but when they come back to life they will be superhuman bodies. For just as there are natural, human bodies, there are also supernatural, spiritual bodies.

⁴⁵ The Scriptures tell us that the first man, Adam, was given a natural, human body^[e] but Christ* is more* than that, for he was life-giving Spirit.

⁴⁶ First, then, we have these human bodies, and later on God gives us spiritual, heavenly bodies. ⁴⁷ Adam was made from the dust of the earth, but Christ came from heaven above. ⁴⁸ Every human being has a body just like Adam's, made of dust, but all who become Christ's will have the same kind of body as his—a body from heaven. ⁴⁹ Just as each of us now has a body like Adam's, so we shall some day have a body like Christ's.

⁵⁰I tell you this, my brothers: an earthly body made of flesh and blood cannot get into God’s Kingdom. These perishable bodies of ours are not the right kind to live forever.

⁵¹But I am telling you this strange and wonderful secret: we shall not all die, but we shall all be given new bodies! ⁵²It will all happen in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, when the last trumpet is blown. For there will be a trumpet blast from the sky,^[a] and all the Christians who have died will suddenly become alive, with new bodies that will never, never die; and then we who are still alive shall suddenly have new bodies too. ⁵³For our earthly bodies, the ones we have now that can die, must be transformed into heavenly bodies that cannot perish but will live forever.

⁵⁴When this happens, then at last this Scripture will come true—“Death is swallowed up in victory.” ⁵⁵⁻⁵⁶O death, where then your victory? Where then your sting? For sin—the sting that causes death—will all be gone; and the law, which reveals our sins, will no longer be our judge. ⁵⁷How we thank God for all of this! It is he who makes us victorious through Jesus Christ our Lord!

⁵⁸So, my dear brothers, since future victory is sure, be strong and steady, always abounding in the Lord’s work, for you know that nothing you do for the Lord is ever wasted as it would be if there were no resurrection.

Footnotes:

- a. [1 Corinthians 15:5](#) *the Twelve*, the name given to Jesus’ twelve disciples and still used after Judas was gone from among them.
- b. [1 Corinthians 15:20](#) *the first of millions*, literally, “the firstfruits of them that are asleep.”
- c. [1 Corinthians 15:34](#) *some . . . have never really known God*, or “there are some who know nothing of God.”
- d. [1 Corinthians 15:40](#) *The angels*, literally, “There are celestial bodies.” But perhaps this may refer to the sun, moon, planets, and stars.
- e. [1 Corinthians 15:45](#) *was given a natural, human body*, literally, “was made a living soul.” *but Christ*, literally, “the last Adam.” *is more*, implied.
- f. [1 Corinthians 15:52](#) *from the sky*, implied.