

Lesson 15

1 Corinthians 15:1-58

• Questions

1. What did Paul preach to the Corinthians (15:1-2)?

2. What message did Paul deliver to the Corinthians (15:3-5)?

3. Who did Jesus appear to after his resurrection (15:5-8)?

4. How did Paul describe his past life and present life (15:9-11)?

5. What question or issue did Paul deal with in this chapter (15:12)?

6. What seven consequences follow if one accepts the “no resurrection” belief (15:13-19)?

7. What did Adam bring about and what will Jesus Christ bring about (15:20-23)?

8. What will happen when Jesus comes again (15:24-26)?

9. Who is subject to Jesus Christ and who is subject to God (15:27-28)?

10. What questions did Paul ask to respond to the “no resurrection” belief (15:29)?

11. What warning and admonition did Paul give concerning the “no resurrection” belief (15:33-34)?

12. What three illustrations did Paul use to describe how our resurrected body will be different from our present body (15:35-41)?

12. What four words did Paul use to describe our present body and our resurrected body (15:42-44)?

13. How did Paul describe the first Adam (Adam) and our present body that is like him and how did he describe the “last Adam” (Jesus) and our future (resurrected) body that is like him (15:45-49)?

14. What cannot inherit the kingdom of God (15:50)?

15. What will be changed when Jesus comes again (15:51-53)?

16. What will happen to death when Jesus comes again (15:53-57)?

17. What concluding admonition did Paul give the Corinthians (15:58)?

• **Digging Deeper**

1. What is baptism “for the dead” (15:29)?

2. What does it mean that Paul fought with beasts at Ephesus (15:32)?

3. What OT scripture did Paul refer to in 1 Corinthians 15:45?

• Applications for Today

1. Christians must continue to stand in the gospel and hold fast to the gospel if they want to be saved in the end (15:1-2). What admonition did Paul give Christians in Colossians 1:23 concerning the gospel?

2. The death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus was predicted by the OT scriptures (15:3-4). What does Isaiah 53:7-12 teach about Jesus' death, burial, and resurrection?

3. The resurrection of Jesus was validated by Jesus' appearances and by eyewitness testimony (15:5-8). What importance is placed on eyewitness testimony in Luke 1:1-4 and 2 Peter 1:16?

4. Like Paul, people today can change for the better by the grace of God (15:9-11). Why was Paul shown mercy by Jesus Christ (1 Tim. 1:12-16)?

5. False ideas have consequences. You cannot believe a false doctrine without negative ramifications (15:12-19). What happened to those who followed Hymenaeus and Philetus and their false doctrine of the resurrection (2 Tim. 2:16-18)?

6. Jesus is reigning over his kingdom now (15:20-28). Who cannot be in Jesus' kingdom (Eph. 5:5)? Whose kingdom must we be in (Col. 1:13)? Why must a Christian be faithful to the end (2 Pet. 1:11)?

7. There is no good reason for a Christian to suffer persecution and to be put to death if there is no resurrection (15:29-32). What will happen one day to the Christian who is persecuted in this life (1 Pet. 1:6-9)?

8. Evil companionships corrupt good morals (15:33). What do we learn from Proverbs 13:20?

9. Christians need to be spiritually awake and sober so that they do not sin (15:34). What did Paul tell Christians to do in Romans 13:11 and Ephesians 5:14 to avoid sin?

10. Our future heavenly body (the resurrected body) will be different from our present earthly body (15:35-49). Where will the Christian be when he has his resurrected body and who will he be with (2 Cor. 5:1-8)?

11. The present earthly body of the Christian will change when the “last trump” sounds (15:50-53). What else will happen when the “trump” sounds (1 Thess. 4:16-17)?

12. Death will be destroyed when Jesus comes again (15:54-56). What will happen to death in the judgment day (Rev. 20:14; 21:4)?

13. Christians must be steadfast in faith and busy for the Lord knowing that one day they will be resurrected (15:58). What must a Christian do if he is to be rewarded when Jesus comes again (Gal. 6:8-10)?