

# D6 EveryDay™ Parent Page

Date | **January 30, 2022** Family Theme | **The Promise of the Resurrection**  
Study Text | **1 Corinthians 15:20-58**

**Objective:** Help children understand that we can be confident we will be raised from the dead just like Jesus was. Therefore we stand firm in faith and live for Christ.

**How This Lesson Fits in the Story of the Bible:** In this part of 1 Corinthians, written by Paul around AD 55, Paul instructed the Corinthian believers about what will happen when the dead are raised at the second coming of Christ.

**Bible Basics:** Go over the following question and answer each day this week and work with family members to do so as well. **What happens to a person's body when he dies? Answer:** At death, the body is left on earth. When Jesus returns, the bodies of the dead will be resurrected and reunited with their spirits (John 5:28-29).

**Read the Word:** 1 Corinthians 15:20-58

## Disciple Your Kids

Help your children and grandchildren understand that we can be confident that we will be raised from the dead because Jesus was raised from the dead. Since we know there is life after death, we live for Christ.



### **Key Truth: The Resurrection of Jesus Guarantees Our Resurrection (1 Corinthians 15:20-34)**

Some were teaching that there was no resurrection of the dead (1 Corinthians 15:12). If true, that would mean that Christ did not rise from the dead. And if Christ was not raised then faith is useless. But Christ *did* rise from the dead. It started with Him and He paved the way for all who know Him to be raised when He returns. All who are in Christ and follow Him will live. Through the Resurrection, Christ demonstrated that all things are subject to Him, including death. If there is no resurrection of the dead, humans should live life in the most self-serving manner, knowing that death is inevitable and that is the end. Instead, because there is a resurrection of the dead, humans should live for the One who saved them.



### **Key Truth: Our Resurrected Bodies Will Be Immortal, Imperishable, and Powerful (1 Corinthians 15:35-49)**

Apparently, some of the Corinthians thought the idea of the resurrection was irrational. They asked, *How could it happen? What kind of body will they have?* Paul said resurrection is like a seed and harvest. A seed is buried, but something much different comes out of the ground. Likewise, the resurrected body will be quite different from the earthly body that is planted in burial. The earthly body is perishable, dishonorable, weak, and natural. But the resurrected body will be imperishable, glorious, powerful, and spiritual, like Christ's. Adam was the procreator of all natural men and women. Christ, on the other hand, is the source of all who are spiritually born again. Those who belong to Jesus will bear His image in His glorified spiritual state just as previously they had borne the image of Adam.



## Key Truth: Our Day of Resurrection Will Bring Final Victory Over Death (1 Corinthians 15:50-58)

Both the living and the dead must be changed. The dead believers first, then the living believers bodies will be transformed into their imperishable, immortal bodies. Then death will no longer have victory and sting. The coming of Christ will occur in an instant and will be preceded by the sound of a trumpet. At Christ's return, believers' bodies will be changed and they will be able to enjoy the immortality with which they were originally created. The coming return of Christ and the hope of our future resurrected bodies should motivate us to stand firm in our faith and give ourselves fully to the work of the Lord.

## Discussion Starters

Use one or more of the following questions as discussion starters with your kids this week.

- How did Jesus pave the way for our future resurrection? Why is He called the firstfruits of those who have died?
- Why would we be hopeless if Christ had not risen from the dead?
- How does knowing we will be resurrected motivate us to live for Christ?
- What will our resurrected bodies be like? How will they be different from our earthly bodies?
- What does it mean that death will be swallowed up in victory?
- How should we live knowing Christ will return to raise us up to be with Him forever?
- What are you most looking forward to about being raised up with Jesus?
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## Everyday Extras

Look for a tool, utensil, nail, or toy that has begun to rust. Rust is an iron oxide — the result of exposing iron (a component of steel) with water and oxygen. In time, all iron will corrode into rust, and eventually only flakes of rust will remain. Enlist your children to stop the rusting process! Pour some cola over the rusted object and leave it for 24 hours. You should be able to brush or wipe much of the rust away afterward. But the metal will immediately begin the rusting process again. Our bodies are also in the process of deterioration. We're not rusting, but we are growing older and one day, when we die, our bodies will return to dust. But because of the resurrection of Jesus Christ, we have the promise that we will have new bodies that will not deteriorate, die, or decay. We will be raised with Christ and our new bodies will be made for Heaven!

## Preschool Highlights for **SQUARE 1** & **ROUND 2**

Today your child learned Jesus cares about others. He or she heard the story of when Jesus fed over 5000 people with just five loaves of bread and two fish. While we can't do miracles like Jesus, we can show others we care about them in other ways. **I Can Be More Like Jesus** by following His example in how I treat and care for others.