

## My Glorified Body

Luke 21:25-28

The best day you will ever have is going to happen when Jesus comes back to get you!

Jesus says in Luke 21:28, "Now when these things begin to happen, look up and lift up your heads, because your redemption draws near." Jesus is telling us that it is time to focus on God.

If you know anything about prophecy, you are aware that all of those actions the Bible says will happen in the lead-up to end time events are happening right before our eyes. It is empirical, provable, and measurable. So, we can never say we haven't been warned. The bestselling book in the world (The Bible) has been telling people for centuries that these things were happening and would only get worse as the Day approached.

Jesus also warns that when you see these things *begin* to happen, completion will move quickly; therefore, you must focus on eternal things. Don't get dragged down to things of the earth and get discouraged and distracted. Focus on the things of God, because your redemption will soon arrive.

To *redeem* means to buy back (purchase again). If it wasn't yours at one time, you can't redeem it. Adam and Eve were born with complete perfection, but they lost everything when they sinned. Not only did they lose everything, but all their offspring also lost everything. YIKES, that's us! Jesus died to pay for our sins. He bought us back from the penalty of sin with His blood on the cross. We now live in a down payment (foreshadowing) of the redemption that has been promised us. When Jesus comes and gets us, we get EVERYTHING back!

### Three Truths concerning our redeemed bodies

#### 1. Our earthly bodies are temporary and one day we will have heavenly bodies.

Romans 8:18-24

Adam and Eve were created in a perfect paradise with perfect bodies. They sinned and were cursed along with their offspring and the world they were given to rule. The curse means our fleshly bodies are fallen and now experience sickness, weakness, frailty, sin, and death. Through salvation, we get a future eternal life, but we still live in the reality of the fall with all of its consequences. Our earthly bodies are temporary. When Jesus returns, we will receive the promise of the redemption of our bodies.

#### 2. The resurrected body of Jesus foreshadows what our heavenly bodies will be like.

I Corinthians 15:20-24; Luke 24:36-43; 50-53; Hebrews 1:4; Matthew 18:10; Luke 24

1 Corinthians 15:23 states that Christ is the firstfruits, and we will be like Him one day. After the resurrection, Jesus had a body that was physical, and He ate fish and honeycomb. But His body was also supernatural. He was able to simply appear to the disciples, walk

through walls, and ascend to heaven. Our heavenly bodies will be similar to our physical bodies, but they will be perfect and supernatural.

**3. The Bible gives clear details about our heavenly bodies.**

**Luke 16; Ephesians 4:8-9; Matthew 27:51-52; Acts 14:19-20; II Corinthians 12:2;  
I Thessalonians 4:13-18; I Corinthians 15:41-53; Psalms 16:11; Joel 3:1-2**

1 Thessalonians 4 gives a picture of what will happen when Jesus returns. "The dead in Christ will rise first, and those who are alive will be caught up together with them in the clouds and meet the Lord in the air." 1 Corinthians 15 gives a more detailed picture of what our new bodies will be like. The body we have now is sown in corruption (decay, perishing), but our new body will be raised in incorruption (immortality). Our current body has weakness, but our heavenly body will have power. Our new bodies will be multidimensional being both physical and spiritual.