

Part 4 – 1 Corinthians 15:51–58
Hope and the Resurrected Body
Student's guide
(Video 21 minutes)

Warm up questions pre-video: (15 minutes)

- ❖ What is the worldly definition of “hope”?

Read: Romans 8:18–25

1 Peter 1:3

- ❖ What is the Christian understanding of “hope” through the promise of Christ?

Read 1 Corinthians 15:51–58

- ❖ On the last day what will be the difference between those who have died in Christ and those who are alive when Christ returns?

Read: Matthew 25:31–46

John 3:16–18

- ❖ In Jesus's parable Christ makes a marked difference between those gathered on his right (v. 34) and those gathered on his left (v. 41). What is the significance of this difference in light of the John reading?

Post video follow up questions. (20 minutes)

- ❖ Why does the resurrection make death itself a bad thing?

- ❖ What does the sounding of the trumpet mean (v. 52)?

- ❖ “Death is swallowed up in victory” (v. 54). “O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?” (v. 55). When does this take place?

- ❖ In the video the professors discussed why the word “but” (v. 57) is the most significant word in this reading? They also mentioned how “therefore” (v. 57) is different. Why is the meaning behind these words in 1 Corinthians important for us today?

**Read: Luther’s Small Catechism questions 162 & 163
Matthew 25:34**

- ❖ Do our lives as Christians matter to God?