Participants Homework

For the week of February 21-25, 2022

LOVE NEVER ENDS: BEING THE BODY OF CHRIST Raised in Glory¹

GATHERING: GETTING TO KNOW YOU

- 1. When did you first begin to comprehend death?
- 2. When do you feel most alive?

GROWING: GOING DEEPER

Reflecting on the message: *Raised in Glory* that Pastor Young Sun shared with us.

Read 1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50.

- 1. What question is Paul addressing in verse 35? What similar questions do you have or have you heard about the resurrection of the dead?
- 2. How might Paul's agricultural analogy of a seed "dying" help us understand how to envision how resurrection happens?

The words "soul" and "spirit" can bring up a host of images and feelings. "Soul," at least the way Paul understood it, would have been more of a force that animates us in the earthly sense; whereas, "spirit" is the image of God or spark within us. The soul was in contrast to the spirit. Spiritual disciplines, through God's Spirit, enable us to learn to live more empowered by God's grace than by our own selfish desires.

- 1. How does Paul's analogy of the first man, Adam, and the last Adam (Christ) help us understand resurrection from the dead?
- 2. How does Paul's argument in verse 48 point out what God is working in us now?

¹ Rev. Dr. Derek Weber, Love Never Ends: *Raised in Glory*, Discipleship Ministries, Nashville

3. How does Paul's promise in verse 49 give you hope?

GOING: TAKING IT HOME

How might Paul's emphasis on the importance of resurrection give us a vision for what is and what is to come?

Memorization Verses

⁴² So it is with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable, what is raised is imperishable. ⁴³ It is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. ⁴⁴ It is sown a physical body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a physical body, there is also a spiritual body. 1 Corinthians 15:42-44

Sending Prayer: God of hope, we give you thanks that you are constantly at work in the world remaking us in your image. Help us to find true life in the new life you are working in and through us. Give us the eyes of faith to see where you are already working resurrection within us and within the world. Amen.

Prayer Requests:

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Growth Group Community Service Project

We ask every group to take on at least one service project a year (the ideal is two) and to have at least one social gathering (potluck) per half a year. Please consider with your group members of what community service you'd like to participate in. There is a project list made by our church that you can join in and outside the church.