

- Matthew 22

The same day Sadducees came to him,  
who say that there is no resurrection

Matthew 22:23, NT p. 42

- Matthew 22:23 (ESV) The same day Sadducees came to him, who say that there is no resurrection, and they asked him a question,

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- Exodus 3:6 (Moses at Burning Bush)

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Ecclesiastes 12:7, OT p. 1070

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- 1 Corinthians 15:35 But someone will ask, "How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?"
- a. 36 You foolish person!

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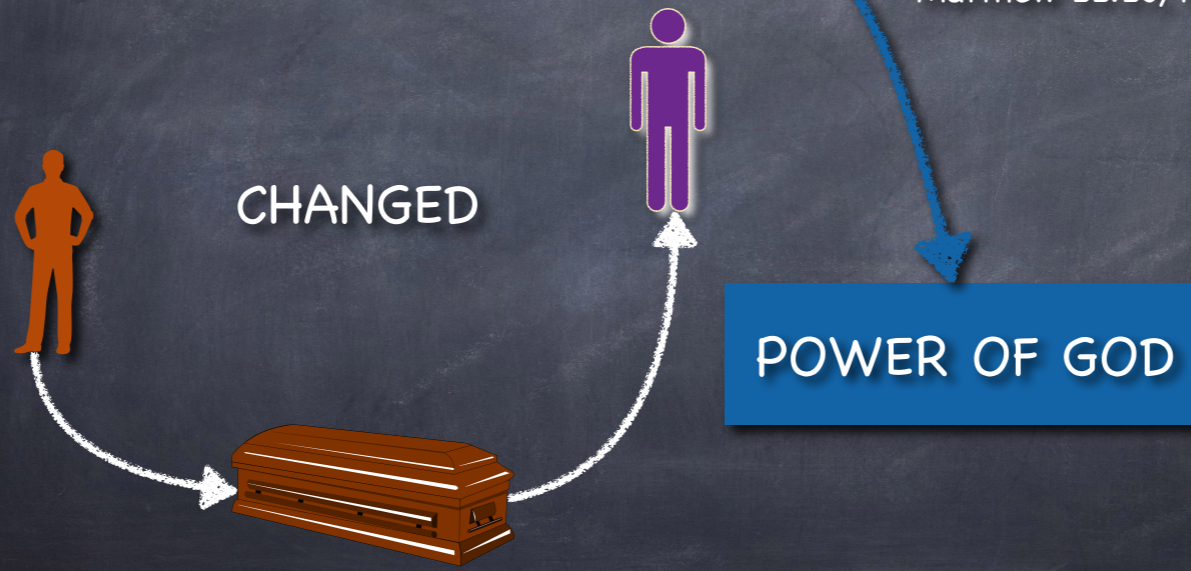
- b. What you sow does not come to life unless it dies.

- i. 37 And what you sow is not the body that is to be, but a bare kernel, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain.

- ii. 38 But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body.

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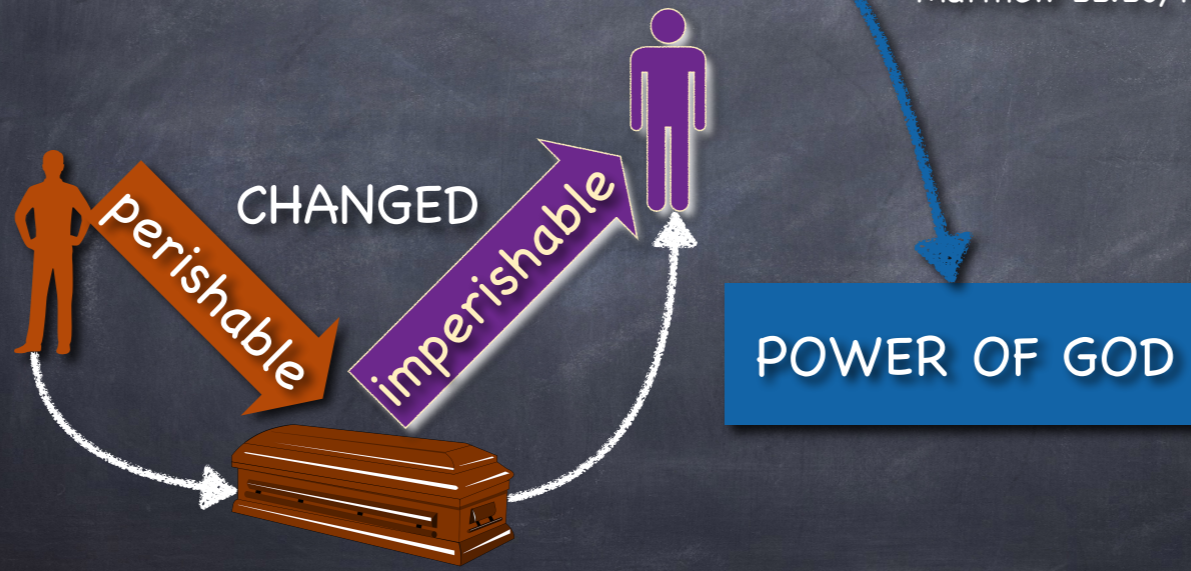
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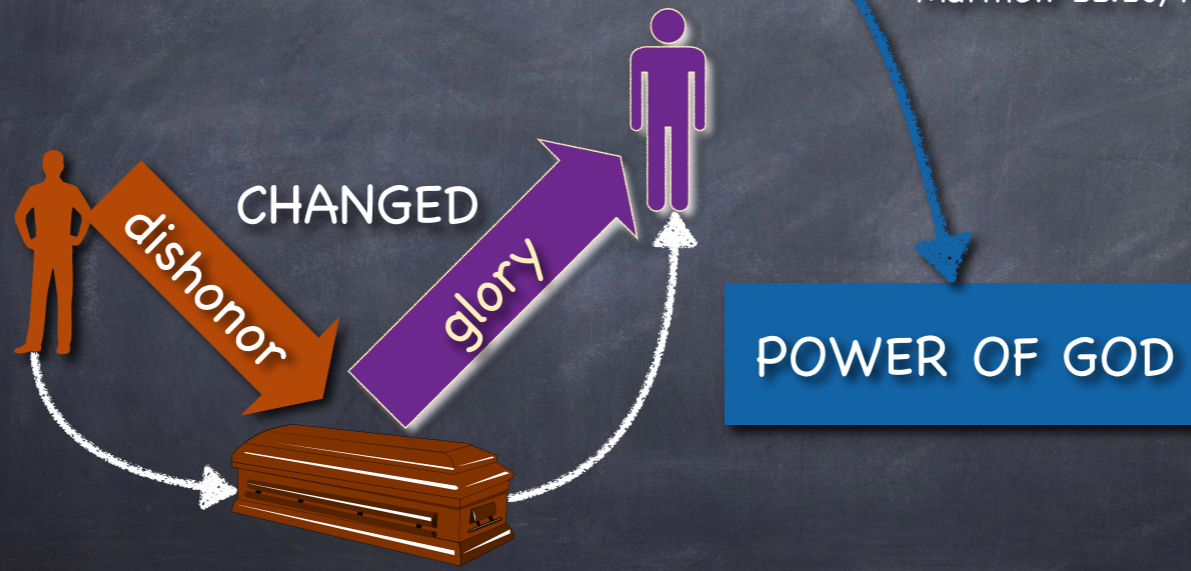
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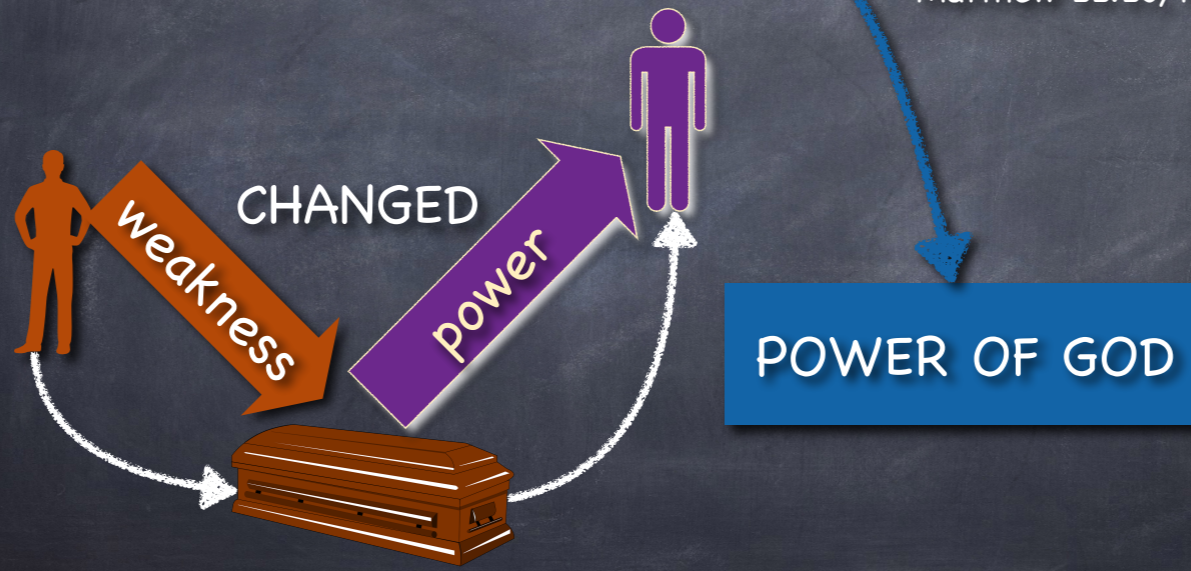
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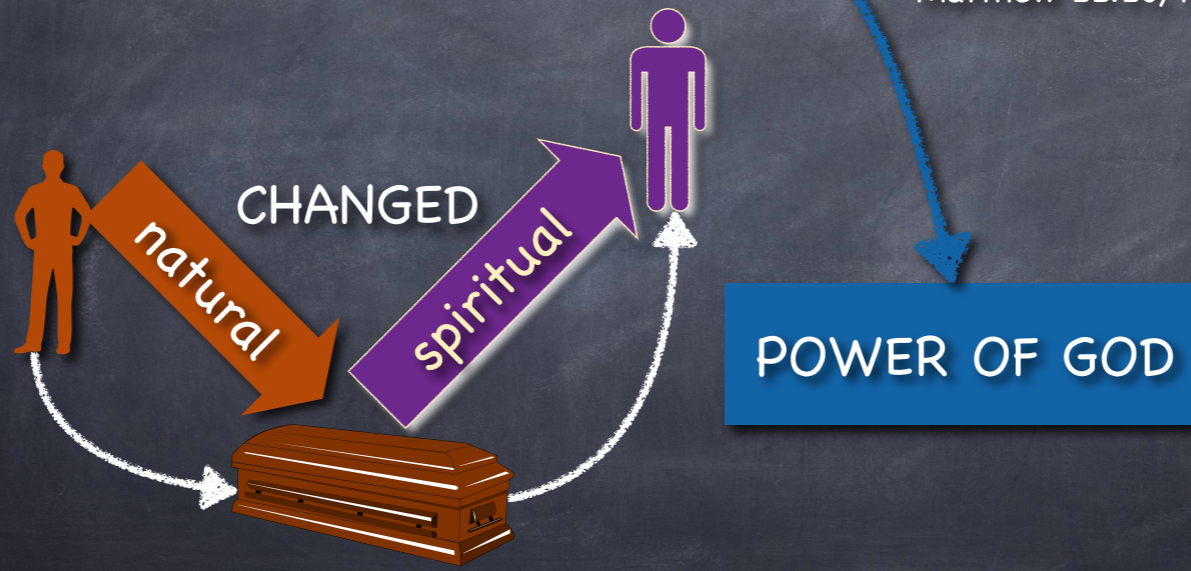
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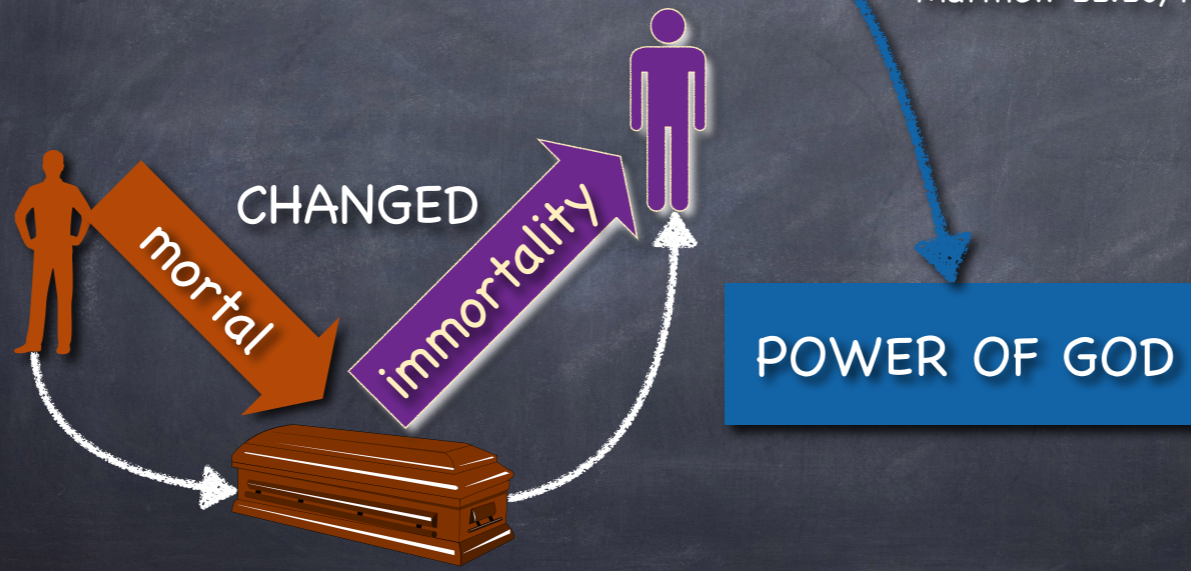
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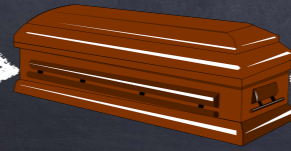


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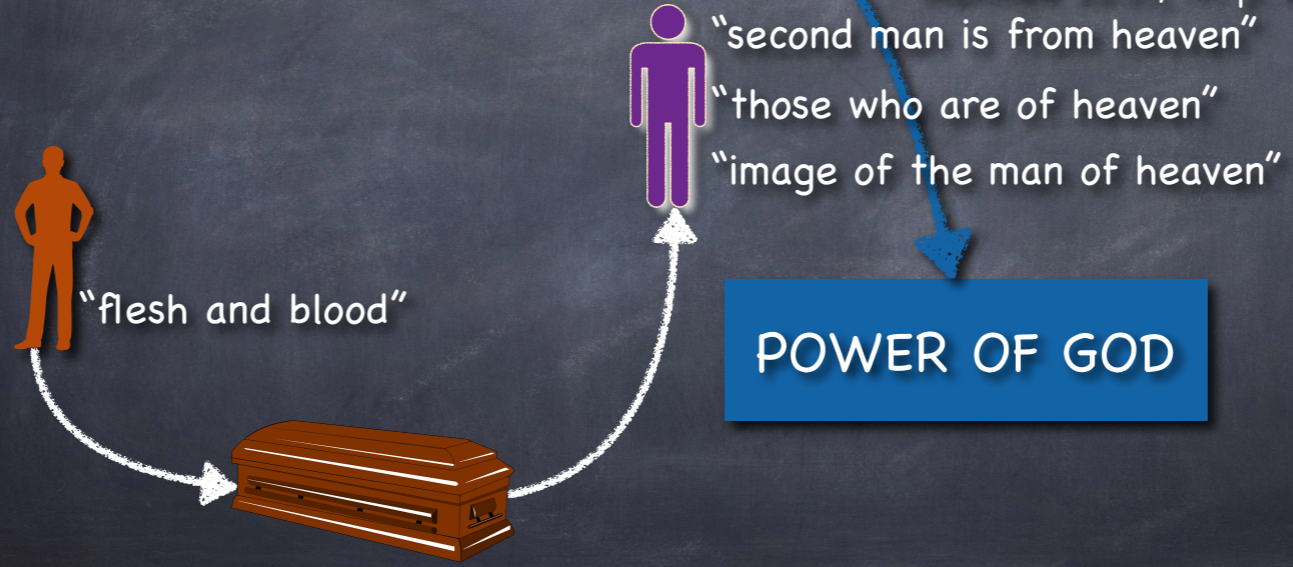


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Romans 8:23, NT p. 269

- Romans 8:23 (ESV) And not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies.

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Philippians 3:21, NT p. 343

- Philippians 3:20-21 (ESV) 20 But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, 21 who will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself.

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1 John 3:2, NT p. 415

- 1 John 3:2 (ESV) 2 Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is.



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- (Lenski's Commentary on the New Testament) "Nor the power of God" have they known, i.e., from the Scriptures. This is not God's power to raise the dead but **his power in regard to the dead bodies as he raises them**, as though the only possible way in which he could raise them would be to make them exactly as they were in this earthly life. What a pitiful conception the Sadducees had of the power of God in the world to come! That conception was the product of their blindness not of the revelation God had placed into their hands. But that is the way in which many make use of the Scriptures to this day, and they do so especially in regard to the revelation concerning the resurrection of the dead. Jesus declares that the Old Testament reveals the resurrection, even the power of God in the way in which he will raise the dead; but many modern theologians deny what Jesus asserts regarding the Old Testament.

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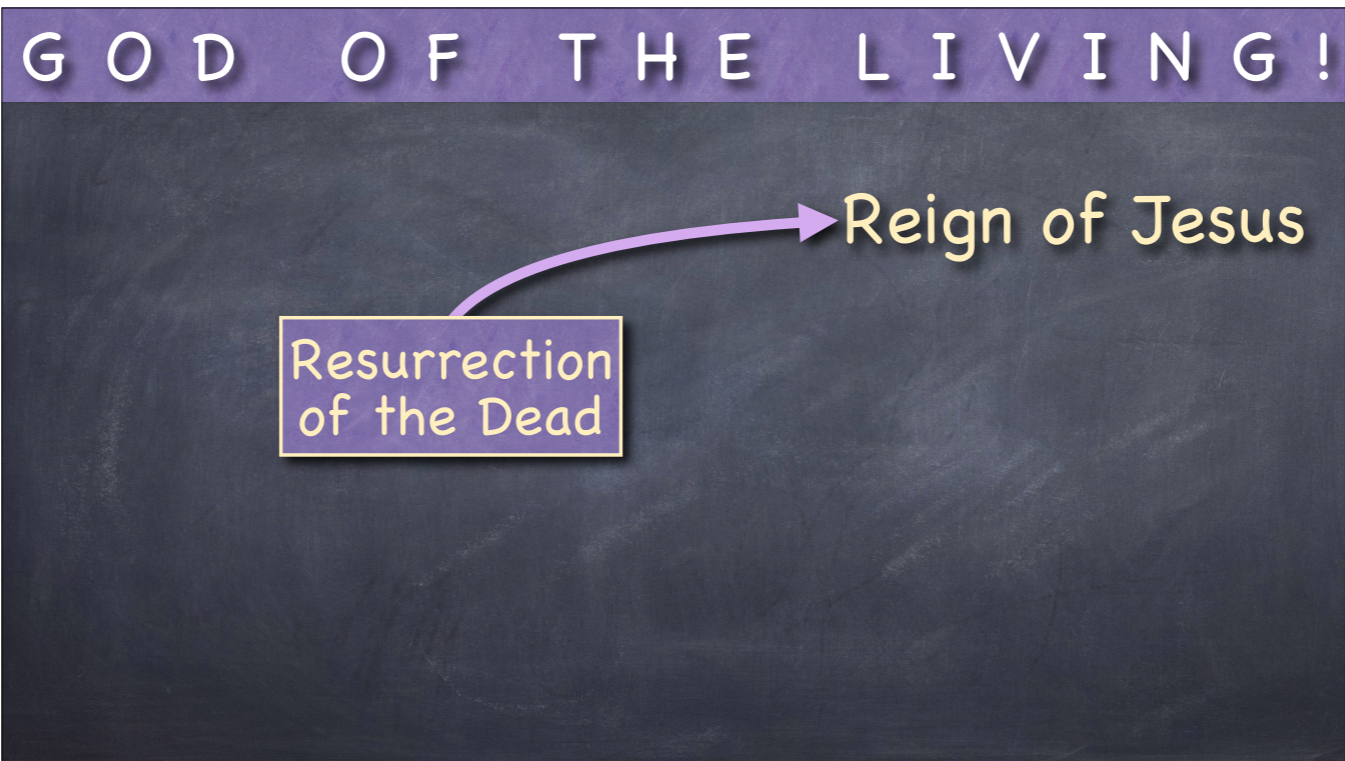
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G O D O F T H E L I V I N G !

Resurrection  
of the Dead

- The resurrection of the dead is not just a doctrinal feature.
- For those of us who believe, the assurance of resurrection changes how we live our lives each day.





- Resurrection → Reign

# G O D O F T H E L I V I N G !

Reign of Jesus

Resurrection  
of the Dead

declared to be the Son of God in power ...  
by His resurrection from the dead

Romans 1:4, NT p. 258

- Romans 1:4 (ESV) and was declared to be the Son of God in power according to the Spirit of holiness by his resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord,

# G O D O F T H E L I V I N G !

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Reign of Jesus

For he must reign until he has put  
all his enemies under his feet.

1 Corinthians 15:25, NT p. 303

- 1 Corinthians 15:23-28 (ESV) 23 But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. 24 Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. 25 For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. 26 The last enemy to be destroyed is death. 27 For “God has put all things in subjection under his feet.” But when it says, “all things are put in subjection,” it is plain that he is excepted who put all things in subjection under him. 28 When all things are subjected to him, then the Son himself will also be subjected to him who put all things in subjection under him, that God may be all in all.



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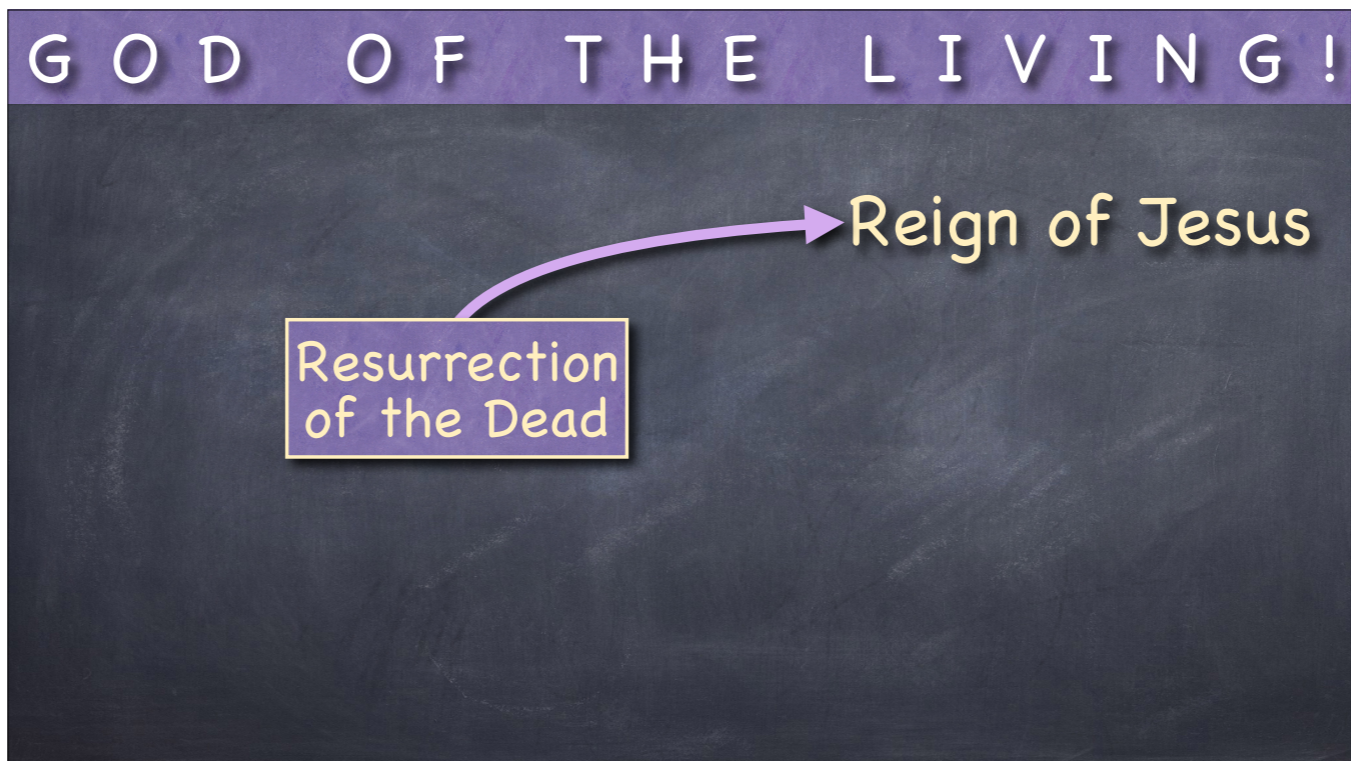
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- He's my King!
  - Luke 6:46: "Why do you call me 'Lord, Lord,' and not do what I tell you?"
- Have I submitted myself to Him?
  - Gladly and willingly?
- I choose to listen to what He says.
  - I consider how what He says affects my life and attitudes
  - I choose to obey him, even when it's contrary to what I want.

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Hope

- Resurrection -> Hope



# G O D O F T H E L I V I N G !

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Hope

I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believe in me, though he die, yet shall he live

John 11:25, NT p. 180-181

- John 11:23-27 (ESV) 23 Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." 24 Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." 25 Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, 26 and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?" 27 She said to him, "Yes, Lord; I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who is coming into the world."

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Hope

He has caused us to be born again to a living hope  
through the resurrection of Jesus Christ

1 Peter 1:3, NT p. 401

- 1 Peter 1:3 (ESV) Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

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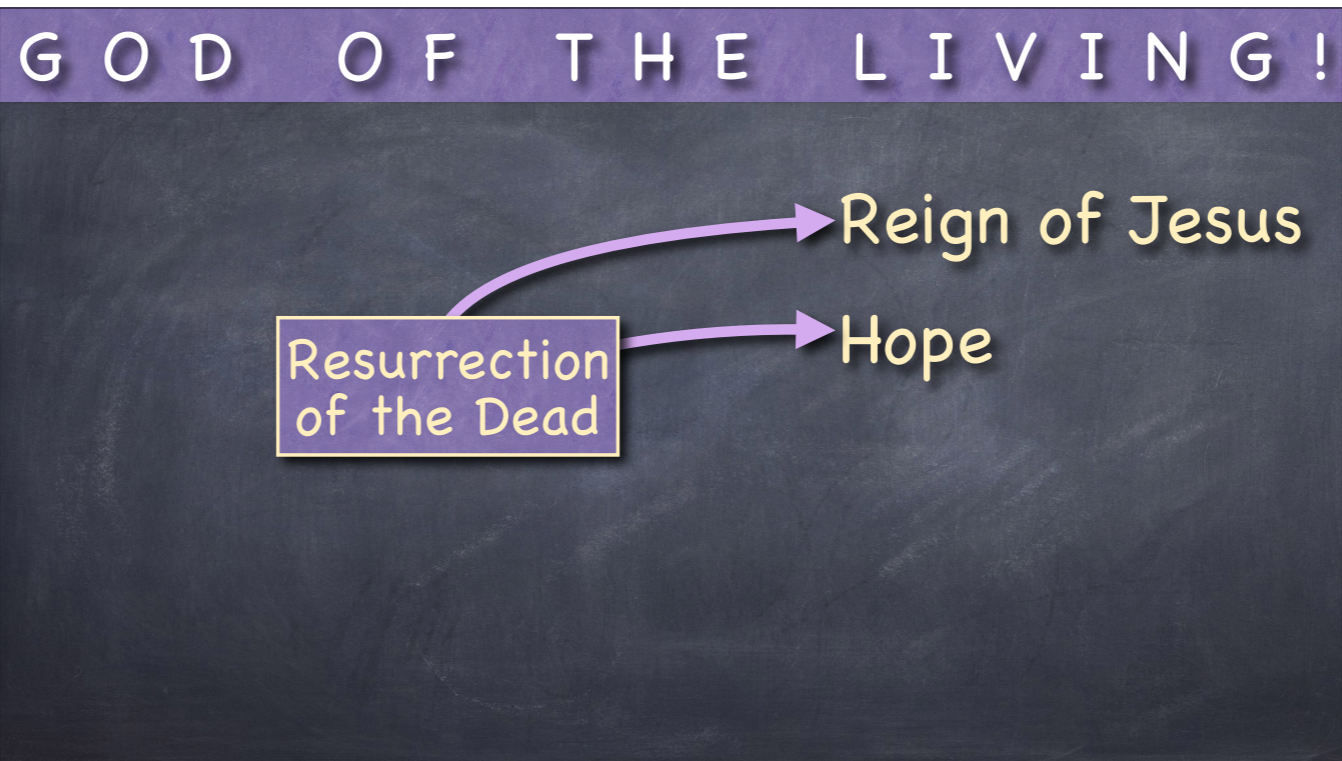
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Having a hope in God ... there will be a  
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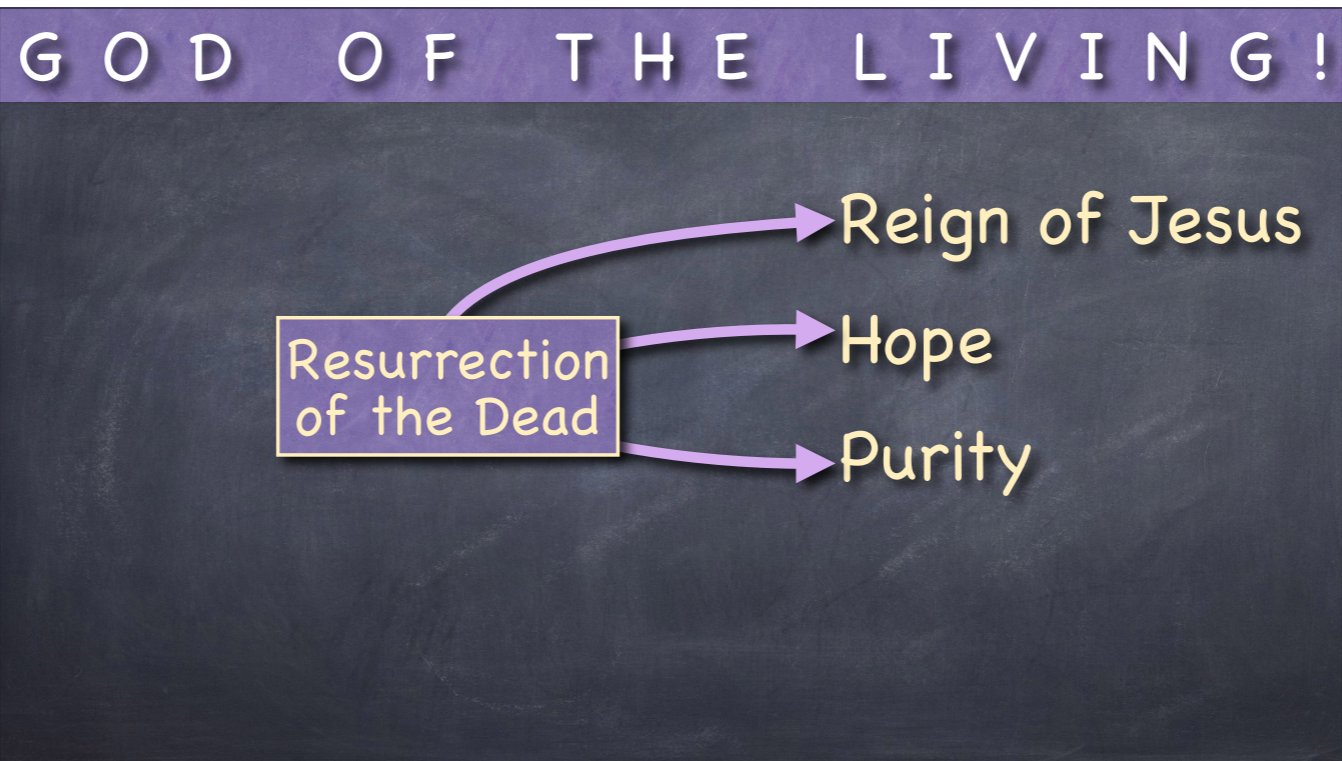
Acts 24:15, NT p. 249

- Acts 24:15 (ESV) 15 having a hope in God, which these men themselves accept, that there will be a resurrection of both the just and the unjust.





- I don't have to wonder (or fear) about what happens after I die.
- Jesus is the resurrection and the life: I have hope!
- Am I just? or unjust?
  - Made just by my God when I believe, repent, and baptized.
- Eternal life or eternal death.



- Resurrection —> Purity

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when He appears we shall be like him ... and everyone who thus hopes in Him purifies himself as He is pure.

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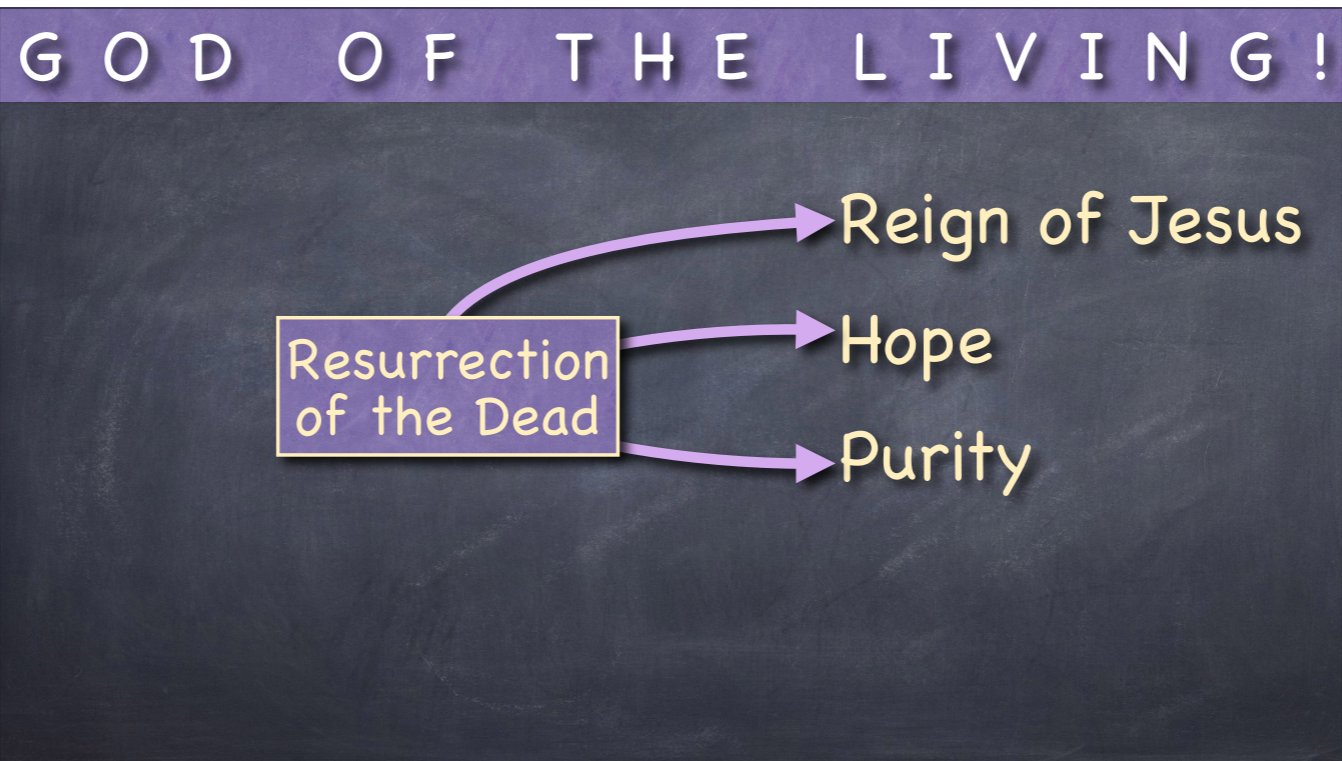
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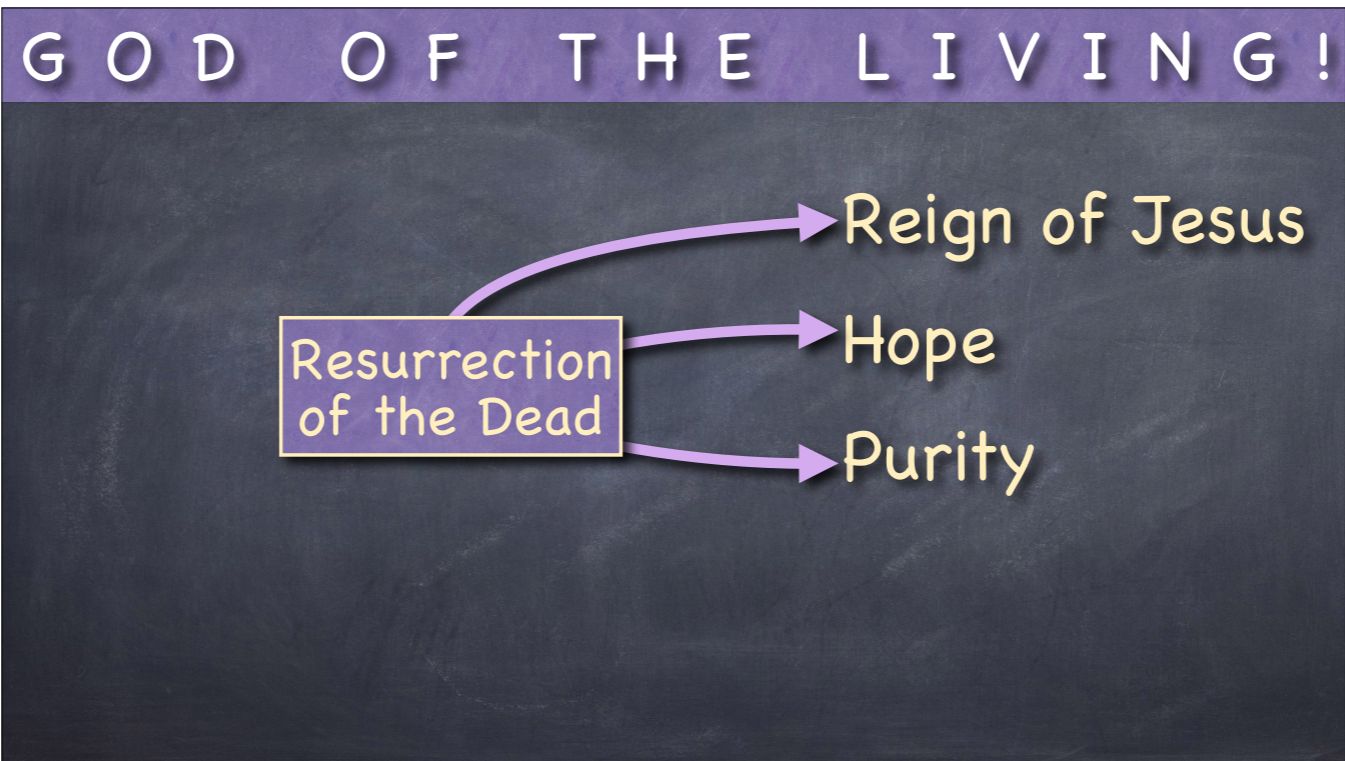
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2 Peter 1:4, NT p. 408

- 2 Peter 1:3-11 (ESV) 3 His divine power has granted to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of him who called us to his own glory and excellence, 4 by which he has granted to us his precious and very great promises, so that through them you may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped from the corruption that is in the world because of sinful desire. 5 For this very reason, make every effort to supplement your faith with virtue, and virtue with knowledge, 6 and knowledge with self-control, and self-control with steadfastness, and steadfastness with godliness, 7 and godliness with brotherly affection, and brotherly affection with love. 8 For if these qualities are yours and are increasing, they keep you from being ineffective or unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. 9 For whoever lacks these qualities is so nearsighted that he is blind, having forgotten that he was cleansed from his former sins. 10 Therefore, brothers, be all the more diligent to confirm your calling and election, for if you practice these qualities you will never fall. 11 For in this way there will be richly provided for you an entrance into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

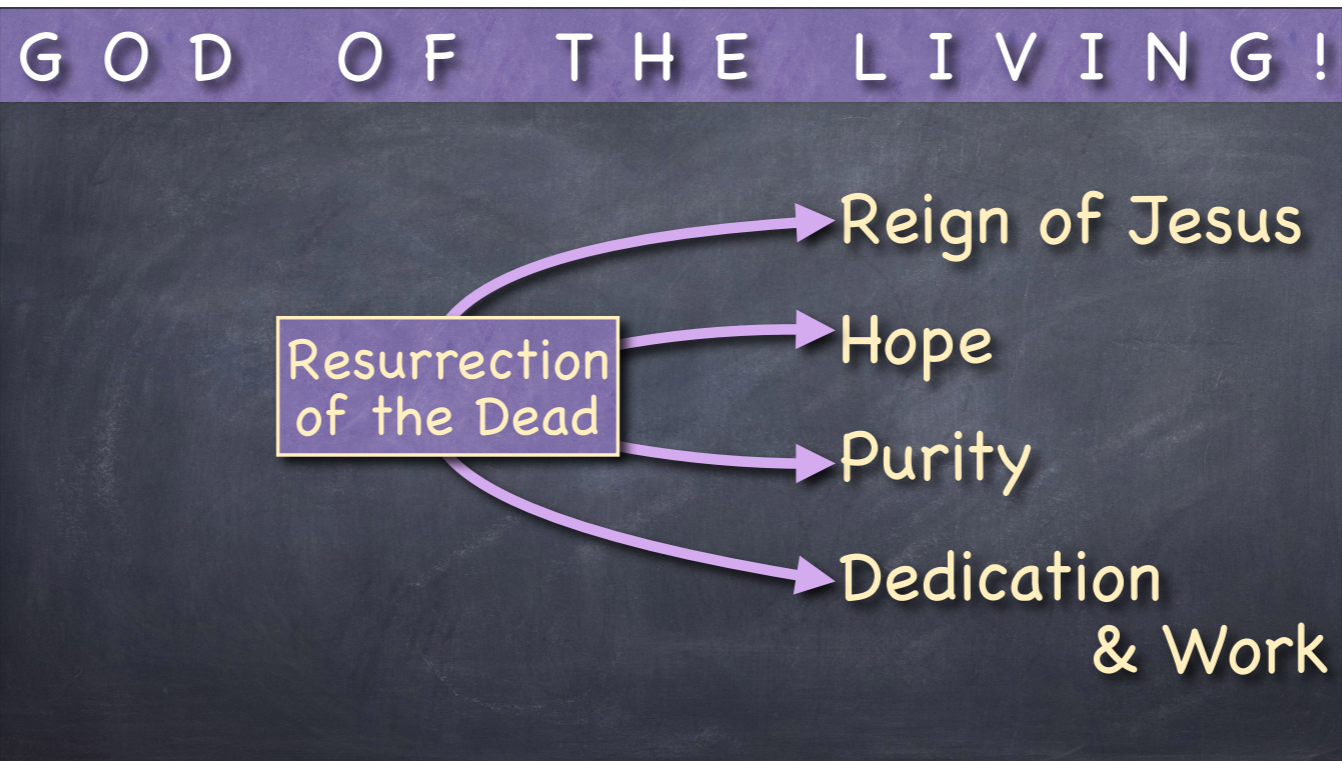


- Knowing that you will be raised from the dead, are you keeping yourself pure?
- Don't allow the desires of your body to rule over the spirit of God.
- Grow in Him.

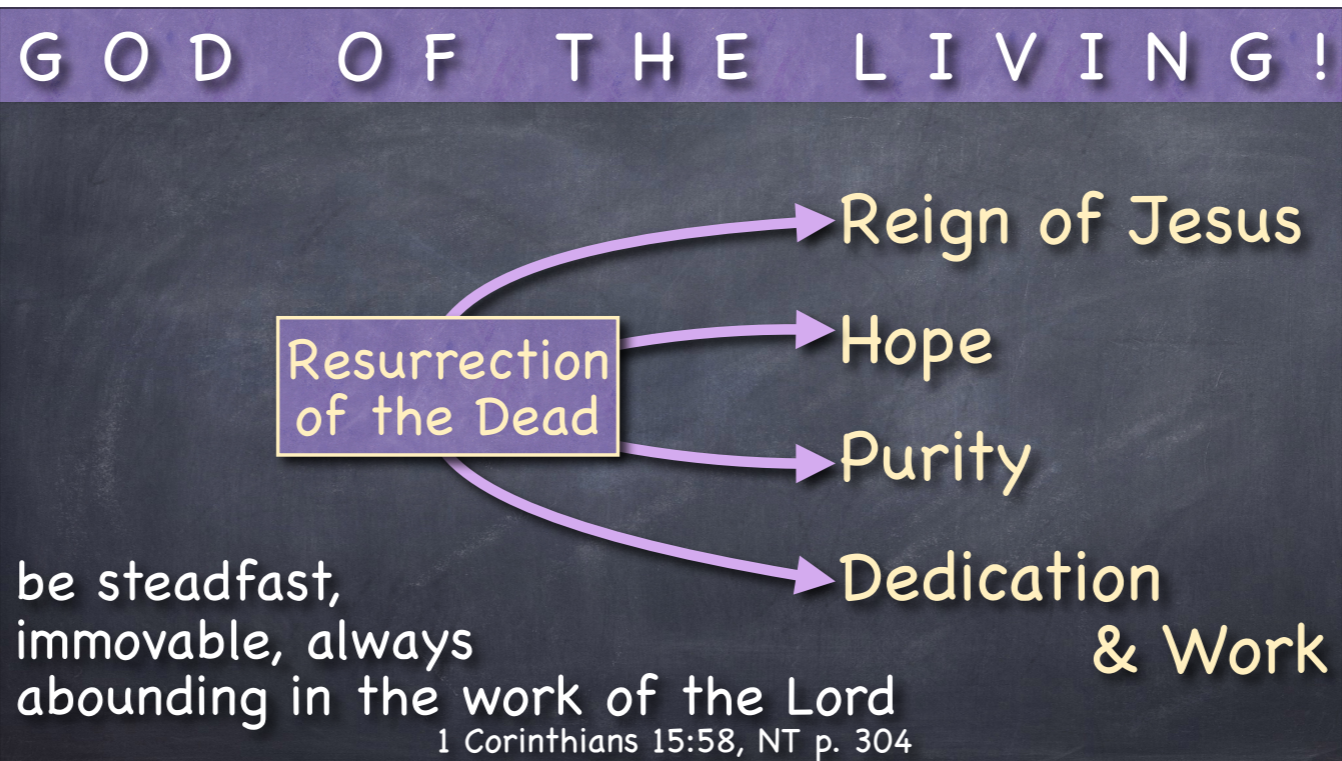


- 2 Peter 3:11-13 (ESV) 11 Since all these things are thus to be dissolved, what sort of people ought you to be in lives of holiness and godliness, 12 waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be set on fire and dissolved, and the heavenly bodies will melt as they burn! 13 But according to his promise we are waiting for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells.





- Resurrection —> Dedication and Work



- 1 Corinthians 15:58 (ESV) 58 Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

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Reign of Jesus

Hope

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2 Corinthians 4:17, NT p. 310

- 2 Corinthians 4:17-18 (ESV) 17 For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, 18 as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.



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- Continue serving God in this life.
- It is not vanity (as Solomon explored)
- There is resurrection from death... eternal glory

**We implore you on  
behalf of Christ,  
be reconciled to God.**

**2 Corinthians 5:20**

There is resurrection from the dead.

Will you choose today to live for more than just this body and this life?

Believe in Jesus, Son of God (by resurrection), be baptized: rise to new life.



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## The God of the Living

Matthew 22:32

Synopsis: The Scriptures clearly reveal that our Father is God of the living, not the dead. He has shown us that he has the power to raise the dead and provide us with new, spiritual bodies. How does the resurrection figure into my life each day? It reminds me of the reign of God, and to hope in Him. It encourages me to be pure in my life and be steadfast in His service.

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**"Let all that you do be done with love."**