

## Sermon Notes 9/26/20

### 7. Harmony in Diversity: Resurrection - Jesus' & Ours

Sadducees - Jewish sect who \_\_\_\_\_ believe in resurrection

Pharisees - Jewish sect who \_\_\_\_\_ believe in resurrection

“It’s Sad you see”... Sadducees

6 Groups of people who witnessed the resurrected Christ:

- Cephas (also known as Peter)
- 12 \_\_\_\_\_
- 500 People
- James, the \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus
- All the apostles
- Paul himself

1 Corinthians 5:24

Paul calls Jesus the “first- \_\_\_\_\_” of the whole resurrection harvest.

**Annalia Wright-Mosley - Shared Sermon**  
**Next Sunday - Oct. 3 “I’m a Witness”**



## 1 Corinthians: Harmony in Diversity

### Daily Bible Study Guide

#### Week 6 (#7 of 7) - I Corinthians 15 & 16

*Each time before you read & study, take a moment to ask God to speak to you through the Word and the Holy Spirit.*

#### **Monday: Read 1 Corinthians 15:1-11**

Parts of this passage are called the early Statement of Faith, especially vs. 3 & 4, which probably seem familiar as they were incorporated into the Apostle’s Creed. You might have wondered before - if Jesus died on a Friday afternoon and he rose again on Sunday morning, how was that a “third day”? This is because in the Jewish tradition, part of a day was counted as a “day”.

1. What do you believe about Jesus’ resurrection? Are you convinced of it? Why or why not?
2. Read Luke 24:13 -49 for other accounts of Jesus’ resurrection

#### **Tuesday: Read 1 Corinthians 15:12-34**

Verses 12 thru 20 can’t be any more clear that the truth of Jesus’ resurrection is a key element to belief in Jesus as Savior. Jesus’ resurrection is the “first-fruits” of the harvest meaning that our resurrection follows from his, in a way like rugby & soccer are the first-fruits of American Football.

1. What would be the consequences if Jesus was not raised from the dead?
2. Read also Romans 8:18-25. What two things do believers have to look forward to after death?
3. Verses 24 & 25 give us some peace. Christ will reign and not give up until what happens?

#### **Wednesday: Read 1 Corinthians 15:35-58**

In these verses we are given three illustrations of how our earthly bodies will be different from our resurrection bodies.

1. Look at verses 35-41 - what are those three illustrations and how do they help us understand our resurrection?

This reminds us of the question in Matt 22 about whether there will also be marriage in heaven.

2. Read Matthew 22:15-33. What was Jesus' answer?

Adam, the first traditionally earthly man, and his descendants received natural, earthly bodies. Christ, also known as the second, or last Adam, received a glorified, spiritual body following his resurrection. Similarly, Christ's redeemed people will receive a resurrected body.

3. See vs. 51 - we will all be \_\_\_\_\_.

#### **Thursday: Read 1 Corinthians 16**

It's interesting that Paul leaves directions about the collection of money for "God's people". The traditional teaching in the Methodist church today follows this idea - according to the amount of money we make, to immediately set aside a portion of it for the work of the church. Paul's personal requests in verses 5 -9 are also very reflective of how every pastor feels when they are appointed to a new church in the UM system - "I hope to spend some time with you, if the Lord permits." Ending with verse 13 is a perfect ending to this book.

1. Have you felt called to, and do you, give a portion of what the money you have for the work of the church? If so, thank you! If not, might you consider making this a part of your life?
2. Look at verse 8 - what is the reality of Paul's work?
3. Look at verse 13 - What 5 imperatives does Paul give the people of Corinth at the close of his letter?

#### **Sunday, Oct. 10 - Steve Dempster preaching**

"Bitter Complaints"

Job 23: 1-9, 16-17

Mark 10:17-31

#### **Sunday, Oct. 17 thru Nov. 7**

"UM Perspective - Death & Resurrection" Series

#### **November 7 - All Saints Sunday**

*Extra space for sermon notes:*