




# Connect

What is one personal habit or attitude you are 'sowing' (working on) right now, hoping it will blossom into a part of your character?

# Verses - 1 Corinthians 15:35-49 (CSB)

**READ ALOUD:**

35 But someone will ask, “How are the dead raised? What kind of body will they
have when they come?” 36 You fool! What you sow does not come to life unless it
dies. 37 And as for what you sow—you are not sowing the body that will be, but
only a seed, perhaps of wheat or another grain. 38 But God gives it a body as he
wants, and to each of the seeds its own body. 39 Not all flesh is the same flesh;
there is one flesh for humans, another for animals, another for birds, and another
for fish. 40 There are heavenly bodies and earthly bodies, but the splendor of the
heavenly bodies is different from that of the earthly ones. 41 There is a splendor of
the sun, another of the moon, and another of the stars; in fact, one star differs from
another star in splendor. 42 So it is with the resurrection of the dead: Sown in
corruption, raised in incorruption; 43 sown in dishonor, raised in glory; sown in
weakness, raised in power; 44 sown a natural body, raised a spiritual body. If there
is a natural body, there is also a spiritual body. 45 So it is written, The first man
Adam became a living being; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit. 46
However, the spiritual is not first, but the natural, then the spiritual. 47 The first
man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven. 48 Like
the man of dust, so are those who are of the dust; like the man of heaven, so are
those who are of heaven. 49 And just as we have borne the image of the man of
dust, we will also bear the image of the man of heaven.

**Briefly restate the context. How is it encouraging, challenging, comforting, etc.?**

# Study

**Answer the questions together based on the Bible verses:**

1. In vv.31-37 Paul is using logic to persuade his readers the truth behind the process of the resurrection. What logic is he using?

2. In v.41, What does the word "splendor" (or "glory") mean in this context? How does the splendor of the sun, moon, and stars show that God designs different kinds of impressive bodies ?

3. What are *some* similarities and differences Paul mentions of the spiritual body from v.42-44?

4. How does Paul's logic conclude in v.49 and what two people are used to make this conclusion?

# Share

**Discuss 1:**
Pastor Takeshi shared a story of the old man at the gas station who said, "No matter where you move to, you take your attitude with you". How does this illustration highlight the verses for what heaven will be like and what earth *could* be like?

**Discuss 2:**
Pastor Takeshi mentions that Moses experienced a "foretaste of heaven" even in difficult situations (the wilderness) ? How can you practice contentment and closeness to God this week?

**Minister to one another through sharing specific prayer requests.**