

## Your Resurrection Matters

*Darcy Siggelkow*

**Because of Easter, Jesus is not the only person who will rise from the dead!**

**Questions:** The Greek view of salvation was to escape the material world. In what ways is this view evident in today's world? How have you "heard" it?

**Read** 1 Corinthians 15:23

**The hope of Christian is not life after death, the hope of Christian faith is life after life after death.**

**We anticipate a resurrected life in a resurrected body with the resurrected Christ on a resurrected Earth!**

Randy Alcorn

- At death, followers of Jesus go to be with the Lord (we go to heaven).

**Read** 2 Corinthians 5:8

- If you're a follower of Jesus, "heaven" is not the final destination.

**Question:** What is your reaction to this idea that "heaven" is not the final destination?

**Read** 1 Corinthians 15:35-50; Luke 24:39; Romans 8:11, 20-21

**Jesus' resurrection is an eloquent affirmation of creation. It implies that this broken world will be fixed in the end. God's creation will be restored. And you and I will live in that renewed creation in renewed bodies. At the end of the great drama, we will not be floating around in heaven as wispy, filmy, gossamer spirits. We will have physical feet firmly planted on a renewed physical earth.**

Nancy Pearcey

- Because we don't understand resurrection (and eternity) some of us are not that excited about it.
- Eternity is not a cancellation of life that we have known on this earth but a glorification of the life we have known.

**Questions:** How have you viewed eternity (heaven)? What in that view are or were you not excited about? What needs to shift in your view to bring you to a place of fully embracing and excited about what is to come?

**Read** 1 Corinthians 15:58

**Question:** How is it worth serving Jesus today in light of what is to come?