

1 **GOD'S SALVATION PACKAGE: GLORIFICATION**

Romans 8:28-30

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- And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose. ²⁹ For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren. ³⁰ Moreover whom He predestined, these He also called; whom He called, these He also justified; and whom He justified, these He also glorified.

3 **Review**

- INCARNATION - REDEMPTION
- REGENERATION - ADOPTION
- IMPUTATION - PROPITIATION
- PROPAGATION - SUBSTITUTION RECONCILIATION – JUSTIFICATION

4 **THE DEFINITION OF GLORIFICATION**

- What it is not:
 - Glorification is not the joy and blessedness that the believer enters into at the time of death.
 - The Westminster Shorter Catechism says it well: "The souls of believers are at their death made perfect in holiness, and do immediately pass into glory: and their bodies, being still united to Christ, do rest in their graves till the resurrection."

5 **What it is:**

- Glorification is the instantaneous change that will take place for all the saints of God at the time when Christ
- "So when this corruptible has put on incorruption, and this mortal has put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass that which is written, 'Death is swallowed up in victory.'⁵⁵ 'O Death, where is your sting? O Hades, where is your victory?'" (1 Corinthians 15:54-55).

6 **Glorification is only for believers**

- The lost will be raised at a second resurrection to eternal damnation – the second death.
- Believers raised to receive a glorified body like the Lord Jesus – That is what we eagerly wait for:

7 **Philippians 3:20-21**

- For our citizenship is in heaven, from which we also eagerly wait for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, ²¹ who will transform our lowly body that it may be conformed to His glorious body. . . "

8 **1 John 3:2**

- Beloved, now we are children of God; and it has not yet been revealed what we shall be, but we know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is.

9 **The whole creation waits for that glorious day**

- Romans 8:21: Because the creation itself also will be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God

- Romans 8:23: Not only that, but we also who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, eagerly waiting for the adoption, the redemption of our body.

10 **Summary**

- Glorification is the final and complete salvation and transformation of the whole person – body, soul, and spirit– so that all of God's people will be conformed to the image of the risen, exalted and glorified Savior.

11 **THE TIMING OF GLORIFICATION**

- The Final Phase of Salvation
- The Three Tenses of Salvation
 - Past tense – Justification
 - Present Tense – Sanctification
 - Future Tense – Glorification
 - Romans 8:23: “. . . eagerly waiting for the adoption, the redemption of our body.”

12 **Our Journey Toward Glorification**

- The lost glory
 - Mother's Cobbler
 - Matthew Hair: “Nothing ever tastes as good as a memory.”

13 **Imagine man in the Garden of Eden**

- Radiant with God's glory
- The divine image shining forth unimpaired by sin
- Then came the fall – cast out of the garden and from the presence of the Lord.
- He had lost the glory

14 **The Hope of Glory**

- Romans 5:1-2: “Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. ² through whom also we have access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.”

15 **The Glory Road**

- Title of a 2006 movie about the 1966 Texas Western all black basketball team
- Every true Christian is also traveling down The Glory Road

16 **The Glory Road (2)**

- John 17:22: And the glory which You gave Me I have given them, that they may be one just as We are one.
- 2 Corinthians 3:18: But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord.

17 **THE TRANSFORMATION OF GLORIFICATION**

- The Transformation of Christ after His Resurrection
 - What was the body of the risen Lord like? Did He have a real flesh and bones body or was it “spiritual” body? The Bible says that after our resurrection we will have a body like

the Lord Jesus – So it's important for us to know:

18 **What was the body of the risen Lord like?**

- He had a real body that could be touched – Luke 24:37-41
- Something different and something new about that body
- Jesus resurrection body still bore the marks of His passion and suffering.
- In His glorified body the risen Christ ate food with and in the presence of His disciples – Luke 24:41-42

19 **His glorified body had unique powers:**

- Appearing twice in the midst of His disciples in a room with doors and windows locked.
- Disappearing when the Emmaus disciples recognized Him.
- Defying gravity, He ascended into heaven while His disciples looked on.

20 **The Transformation of the Christian**

- 1 Corinthians 15:42: “. . . The body is sown in corruption, it is raised in incorruption.”
– 1 Corinthians 15:52-53: “. . . the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. ⁵³ For this corruptible must put on incorruption.”
- 1 Corinthians 15:43: “It is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory.”

21 **1 Corinthians 15:43: “It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power.”**

- The Bad News
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- The Good News
 - The new body will be like the one that the risen Lord had.
 - Philippians 3:21: who will transform our lowly body that it may be conformed to His glorious body. . . “

22 **Review: What do we know about the Lord's body?**

- It was not subject to gravity.
- It was not subject to the natural laws of physics
 - News article: *Does Anti Matter Fall Up or Down?*
- The Lord ate food.