

## Behold! No Old! - 2C 5:17

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### Introduction

1. Jesus' resurrection is the foundation of "eschatology": doct of last things.
2. 2C5:17 - epochal redemptive-historical change from the *old* to the *new* effects radical change in individual Xn
3. Challenge: balance already w/ not yet. cf. 1C 15:12ff; 2T 2:18; 2Th3; 2Pt3
4. We are regenerated w/ life of age to come: resurrection life - Rm 6:11

### 1st: Passed Away

1. Mt 24:35 - 2Pt 3:10 - Rv 21:4 Philip Hughes: "As man-in-Christ, he is in fact a new creation: a reborn microcosm belonging to the eschatological macrocosm of the new heavens & new earth." Xn has experienced the end of the world in his/her own soul: already judged, died, resurrected - *in Christ*
2. We live in this fallen world, *in Christ* & *crucified to world* - Gal 6:14

### 2nd: Old Things

1. Easier to *surrender body to be burned* [1C 13:3] than to learn to love [v4ff]
2. How does this epochal change manifest itself? Gal 5:19-25 moral personal
3. Eph 4:17-24 Xn is the present manifestation of reality of Jesus' resurrection
4. Col 3:1-17 see the agenda?

### Applic #1: Our Individual Sanctification Has Eschatological Significance

1. I'd prefer to be told to go on a quest than to be told to be transformed & conformed to Christ.
2. A true & worthy quest - to know Christ & be conformed to His death & resurrection by the power of the Holy Spirit.

3. Look! A new creature! Behold, no old!