

Q 50: What does Christ's resurrection mean for us?

A 50: Christ triumphed over sin and death by being physically resurrected, so that all who trust in him are raised to new life in this world and to everlasting life in the world to come. Just as we will one day be resurrected, so this world will one day be restored. But those who do not trust in Christ will be raised to everlasting death.

1 Thessalonians 4:13-14

But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep.

Discuss the question:

- Who are the "us" in this question?
- What are we resurrected from?

Discuss the Scripture

- Who is asleep and what does this mean?
- Why can a Christian grieve the loss of a loved one differently than the world?

Discuss the answer in light of the Scripture:

- How does Christ's resurrection triumph over sin and death?
- What does new life in the world look like?
- What does everlasting life in the world to come look like?
- What will a restored world look like?
- What is everlasting death?

How should the resurrection change the way that we live?