The Bodily Resurrection Unto Life; the Believer's Great Motivating Hope. Romans 8:11

Introduction: Basis for title change

Scriptural teaching on the bodily resurrection

Isaiah 26:19 Your dead will live; Their corpses will rise. You who lie in the dust, awake and shout for joy, For your dew is as the dew of the dawn, And the earth will give birth to the departed spirits.

Job 19:7-27

To motivate against sexual immorality.

1 Corinthians 6:14-20

To motivate perseverance in trials. 2 Corinthians 4:13–18.

To bring about comfort.

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

To instill hope of salvation. John 6:39 "This is the will of Him who sent Me, that of all that He has given Me I lose nothing, but raise it up on the last day. 40 "For this is the will of My Father, that everyone who beholds the Son and believes in Him will have eternal life, and I Myself will raise him up on the last day."

Sole reason for life. Philippians 3:7–21

To motivate righteous living. Romans 8:11-13

C. Mediate on your assured future.

The necessity of a bodily resurrection.

All of humanity is born spiritually dead. Every single person fathered by man is dead in their sins and transgressions. This spiritual death effects the entirety of man. Everything about man, both his material and immaterial components have been affected by this death to the point where there is no spiritual life within any aspect of man. In such a state no human-being can properly understand the thoughts of God so as to make a proper response to them. The natural man does not understand the things of God. The natural man cannot possess even one thought that would pleasing to God. The natural man cannot perform one action, no matter how small that would be pleasing to God.

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Paul begins this verse by referencing the indwelling presence of the Holy Spirit. This is a reference to the miraculous supernatural regenerating work of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit begins His supernatural work of regeneration in the spiritually dead when He causes the spirit of the spiritually dead to be life. This is an odd way to say the human spirit is giving life, but it is meant to emphasize the indwelling Holy Spirit is the source of all spiritual life in the one who was spiritually dead. **V.10-9**

"Without the presence of the Holy Spirit we have no interest in Christ." Robert Haldane.

But this miraculous supernatural regeneration is only the beginning of the regenerating work of the Holy Spirit. Throughout the rest of the believer's earthly life the believer will continue to experience a spiritual regeneration of enabling the believer to become more and more conformed to the image of Jesus Christ.

But beyond this ongoing regenerating work of the Holy Spirit there is yet an entirely different working out of the supernatural regenerating work of the Holy Spirit. The supernatural regenerating work of the Holy Spirit, whereby He gives life to the mortal body of the Believer.

The agents of the bodily resurrection.

Romans 8:11 tells us that it is through the Holy Spirit who indwells us.

Ephesians 1:20 which He brought about in Christ, when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in the heavenly places,

Philippians 3:20 For our citizenship is in heaven, from which also we eagerly wait for a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ; **21** who will transform the body of our humble state into conformity with the body of His glory, by the exertion of the power that He has even to subject all things to Himself.

The types of the bodily resurrection. John 5:25–29

The template of the bodily resurrection unto life. Our bodies will be transformed into conformity with the glorious resurrected body of the Lord Jesus Christ.

John 20:11-16	Not easily recognizable but recognizable.
John 20:19–21	
John 20:24–29	
John 21:3-4	Disciples have decided to go fishing.
John 21:5-6	Jesus again provides excessive catch of fish.
John 21:9–14	Jesus roasting fish by campfire, providing breakfast.