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THEME: Fundamental Doctrines of Christianity **TOPIC:** The Second coming of Jesus Christ

TEXT: 1 Cor. 15: 51-54, Rev. 21: 1-4

INTRODUCTION

Happy new month and welcome to the July edition of our Cell fellowship. How have we been coping with the economic effects of the hike in the price of fuel? The mercy of the Lord will see us through this period in Jesus mighty name, Amen.

Last month, we discussed about rapture of the saints. We defined rapture as the gathering and removal of the <u>true members of the Body of Christ</u> from the earth *(1 Cor. 15: 51-52; 1 Thess. 4: 15-17).*

We noted that rapture of the saints of God from the earth is necessary because the wrath of God will soon be poured out on the earth. (1 Thess. 5: 9; 1: 10; Rom. 5: 9; Rev. 7: 1-3; 6: 15-17). We also emphasized the need for every one of us to live in holiness, and be ready for the rapture at all time.

Today, we shall be looking at **characteristics of the resurrection body** as described in the Bible. The experience of rapture will be accompanied by a change, a spiritual transformation of our earthly body to the heavenly body which is without limitations. Our knowledge of the resurrection body should create in

us the desire to have a taste of the power of the world to come (i.e the resurrection power) as we live here on earth, and prepare to be partakers of the heavenly home with Christ (*Phlp. 3:10a; Heb. 6:5*).

A. CHARACTERISTICS OF THE RESURRECTION BODY

- 1) It is God's given according to His will. 1 Cor. 15: 38
- 2) The body will be immortal and incorruptible. 1 Cor. 15: 52-54; Luke 20: 35-36
- 3) The body will be free from sickness, pains, weaknesses, malformation, and death. *2 Cor. 5:1-4; Rev. 21: 4. In: 11: 38-39, 43-44.*
- 4) It will be a celestial body, like those of the holy angels, fit for the heavenly environment. 1 Cor. 15: 40: 47-49.
- 5) The body will be agile, and able to pass through space and barriers. 1 Thess. 4: 13-17; Luk. 24: 50-53; Act. 1:9; John 20: 19-20.
- 6) The body will be composed of the spirit, flesh and bones like the resurrection body of our Lord Jesus Christ. Luk. 24:39; Philippians 3:21; 1 John 3: 2.
- 7) The bodies will have variety of glories. 1 Cor. 15: 41; Dan. 12: 2-3.

CONCLUSION

Let us therefore pray – "That I may know Him, and the power of His resurrection. . Phlp. 3:10a"

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