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Turn in your Bibles to *Revelation 20:4–6*:

⁴ And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and *I saw* the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received *his* mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years. ⁵ But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished. This *is* the first resurrection. ⁶ Blessed and holy *is* he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years.
Revelation 20:4–6

What we are going to talk about today is the two types of resurrections that apply to the human body. The Bible teaches that there are two types of resurrections and not the single, unscriptural GENERAL RESURRECTION that is taught by most of professing Christianity. Since the Bible teaches a “first resurrection” in *Revelation 20:5-6*, it naturally follows that there are at least two resurrections. Notice that I was very careful to call the two resurrections two types of resurrections. That is because the FIRST RESURRECTION is a multi-phased resurrection that covers a number of events including the pre-tribulation rapture of all the dead saints from righteous Abel to the dead and living saints that are taken up in *1 Thessalonians 4:13-18* and *1 Corinthians 15:50-58*. The rapture of *1 Thessalonians 4:13-18* and *1 Corinthians 15:50-58* includes all dead Old Testament and New Testament saints and all living New Testament saints at the time the rapture takes place. That FIRST RESURRECTION also includes the dead and martyred saints that die during the tribulation following the pre-tribulation rapture of the saints. The FIRST RESURRECTION also includes the two witnesses who are murdered and lie dead in the streets for 3½ days in *Revelation 11:7-12*. A word about saints is necessary here. The word saint occurs at least 101 times in the Bible. It applies equally to both dead and living Old Testament and New Testament saints.

Perhaps the best way to explain the two resurrections is this way: the “first resurrection” is a resurrection unto eternal life in heaven whereas the “second resurrection” is a resurrection unto eternal death in the lake of fire. The “second resurrection” is eternally bound to the second death and the lake of fire in *Revelation 20:11-15: specifically verse 14*. How is that the “second resurrection” can be eternally bound to death? It is because those who are raised from the dead are still dead in their trespasses and sin when they stand before the Great White Throne Judgment. We will distinguish between the “first resurrection” and the “second resurrection” when we document it from three different passages of Scripture in a few minutes. The term “**resurrection**” always has to do with the **body** — not the soul and spirit. This is because only the *body* dies. All accounts in the Word of God concerning resurrection, whether it be that of Christ, of Lazarus, of the dead saints of *Matthew 27:51-52*, or of the Rapture, refer to the body. It is critical that we understand that it is a literal resurrection of the body because of the heresy of Bible correcting heretics like Westcott of Westcott and Hort fame who taught that the Lord Jesus Christ did not rise from the dead in his literal body, but was only spiritually resurrected from the dead. That is an outright denial of every post

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resurrection appearance of the Lord Jesus Christ in his physical body with his nail pierced hands. It is also reflected in Westcott's heretical Bible translation work. According to 1 *Corinthians 15:12-21*, if Christ did not rise from the dead, then we have no hope of our own resurrection. Let us dive deeper into the doctrine of two resurrections.

I. THE FACT OF THE RESURRECTION

The sect of the Sadducees did not believe in a resurrection, (that's why they were "Sad U See!") But the resurrection is a Bible doctrine — mentioned from Genesis through The Revelation.

A. Old Testament Proof Of The Resurrection.

1. Job Believed In Christ's Resurrection And His Own.
See: *Job 19:25-27*.

Job 19:25-27

25 For I know *that* my redeemer liveth, and *that* he shall stand at the latter *day* upon the earth: 26 And *though* after my skin *worms* destroy this *body*, yet in my flesh shall I see God: 27 Whom I shall see for myself, and mine eyes shall behold, and not another; *though* my reins be consumed within me.

2. David Prophesied Christ's Resurrection And His Own.
See: *Psalms 16:9,10*. A double prophecy.

Psalms 16:9-10

9 Therefore my heart is glad, and my glory rejoiceth: my flesh also shall rest in hope. 10 For thou wilt not leave my soul in hell; neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption.

3. The Prophets Looked For A Resurrection.
See: *Isaiah 26:19; Daniel 12:2; Hosea 13:14*.

Isaiah 26:19

19 Thy dead *men* shall live, *together with* my dead body shall they arise. Awake and sing, ye that dwell in dust: for thy dew *is as* the dew of herbs, and the earth shall cast out the dead.

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Daniel 12:2

2 And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame *and* everlasting contempt.

Hosea 13:14

14 I will ransom them from the power of the grave; I will redeem them from death: O death, I will be thy plagues; O grave, I will be thy destruction: repentance shall be hid from mine eyes.

4. **Abraham Believed God Could Raise The Dead.**

See: *Genesis 22:5; Hebrews 11:19.*

Genesis 22:5

5 And Abraham said unto his young men, Abide ye here with the ass; and I and the lad will go yonder and worship, and come again to you.

Hebrews 11:19

19 Accounting that God *was* able to raise *him* up, even from the dead; from whence also he received him in a figure.

5. **Several Accounts Of Resurrections Are Given.**

See: *I Kings 17:17-24; II Kings 4:32-35; 13:21.*

1 Kings 17:17-24

17 And it came to pass after these things, *that* the son of the woman, the mistress of the house, fell sick; and his sickness was so sore, that there was no breath left in him. 18 And she said unto Elijah, What have I to do with thee, O thou man of God? art thou come unto me to call my sin to remembrance, and to slay my son? 19 And he said unto her, Give me thy son. And he took him out of her bosom, and carried him up into a loft, where he abode, and laid him upon his own bed. 20 And he cried unto the LORD, and said, O LORD my God, hast thou also brought evil upon the widow with whom I sojourn, by slaying her son? 21 And he stretched himself upon the child three times, and cried unto the LORD, and said, O LORD my God, I pray

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thee, let this child's soul come into him again. 22 And the LORD heard the voice of Elijah; and the soul of the child came into him again, and he revived. 23 And Elijah took the child, and brought him down out of the chamber into the house, and delivered him unto his mother: and Elijah said, See, thy son liveth. 24 And the woman said to Elijah, Now by this I know that thou *art* a man of God, *and* that the word of the LORD in thy mouth *is* truth.

2 Kings 4:32-35

32 And when Elisha was come into the house, behold, the child was dead, *and* laid upon his bed. 33 He went in therefore, and shut the door upon them twain, and prayed unto the LORD. 34 And he went up, and lay upon the child, and put his mouth upon his mouth, and his eyes upon his eyes, and his hands upon his hands: and he stretched himself upon the child; and the flesh of the child waxed warm. 35 Then he returned, and walked in the house to and fro; and went up, and stretched himself upon him: and the child sneezed seven times, and the child opened his eyes.

2 Kings 13:21

21 And it came to pass, as they were burying a man, that, behold, they spied a band *of men*; and they cast the man into the sepulchre of Elisha: and when the man was let down, and touched the bones of Elisha, he revived, and stood up on his feet.

B. New Testament Proof Of The Resurrection.

1. The Lord Jesus Christ Taught A Resurrection.

See: *John 5:21,28,29; John 11:23-26.*

John 5:21,28-29

21 For as the Father raiseth up the dead, and quickeneth *them*; even so the Son quickeneth whom he will. 28 Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice, 29 And shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have

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done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation.

John 11:23-26

23 Jesus saith unto her, Thy brother shall rise again.
24 Martha saith unto him, I know that he shall rise again in the resurrection at the last day. 25 Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: 26 And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. Believest thou this?

2. **The Apostle Paul Expounded The Resurrection.**

See: 1 Corinthians 15 is the “resurrection chapter” of the Bible.

1 Corinthians 15:1-58

Moreover, brethren, I declare unto you the gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye have received, and wherein ye stand; 2 By which also ye are saved, if ye keep in memory what I preached unto you, unless ye have believed in vain. 3 For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; 4 And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures: 5 And that he was seen of Cephas, then of the twelve: 6 After that, he was seen of above five hundred brethren at once; of whom the greater part remain unto this present, but some are fallen asleep. 7 After that, he was seen of James; then of all the apostles. 8 And last of all he was seen of me also, as of one born out of due time. 9 For I am the least of the apostles, that am not meet to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. 10 But by the grace of God I am what I am: and his grace which *was bestowed* upon me was not in vain; but I laboured more abundantly than they all: yet not I, but the grace of God which was with me. 11 Therefore whether *it were* I or they, so we preach, and so ye believed. 12 Now if Christ be preached that he rose from the dead, how say some among you that there is no resurrection of the dead? 13 But if there be no resurrection of the dead, then is Christ not risen: 14 And if Christ be not risen, then *is*

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our preaching vain, and your faith *is* also vain. 15 Yea, and we are found false witnesses of God; because we have testified of God that he raised up Christ: whom he raised not up, if so be that the dead rise not. 16 For if the dead rise not, then is not Christ raised: 17 And if Christ be not raised, your faith *is* vain; ye are yet in your sins. 18 Then they also which are fallen asleep in Christ are perished. 19 If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men most miserable. 20 But now is Christ risen from the dead, *and* become the firstfruits of them that slept. 21 For since by man *came* death, by man *came* also the resurrection of the dead. 22 For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive. 23 But every man in his own order: Christ the firstfruits; afterward they that are Christ's at his coming. 24 Then *cometh* the end, when he shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father; when he shall have put down all rule and all authority and power. 25 For he must reign, till he hath put all enemies under his feet. 26 The last enemy *that* shall be destroyed *is* death. 27 For he hath put all things under his feet. But when he saith all things are put under *him*, *it is* manifest that he is excepted, which did put all things under him. 28 And when all things shall be subdued unto him, then shall the Son also himself be subject unto him that put all things under him, that God may be all in all. 29 Else what shall they do which are baptized for the dead, if the dead rise not at all? why are they then baptized for the dead? 30 And why stand we in jeopardy every hour? 31 I protest by your rejoicing which I have in Christ Jesus our Lord, I die daily. 32 If after the manner of men I have fought with beasts at Ephesus, what advantageth it me, if the dead rise not? let us eat and drink; for to morrow we die. 33 Be not deceived: evil communications corrupt good manners. 34 Awake to righteousness, and sin not; for some have not the knowledge of God: I speak *this* to your shame. 35 But some *man* will say, How are the dead raised up? and with what body do they come? 36 *Thou* fool, that which thou sowest is not quickened, except it die: 37 And that which thou sowest, thou sowest not that

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body that shall be, but bare grain, it may chance of wheat, or of some other *grain*: 38 But God giveth it a body as it hath pleased him, and to every seed his own body. 39 All flesh *is* not the same flesh: but *there is* one *kind of* flesh of men, another flesh of beasts, another of fishes, *and* another of birds. 40 *There are* also celestial bodies, and bodies terrestrial: but the glory of the celestial *is* one, and the *glory* of the terrestrial *is* another. 41 *There is* one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars: for *one* star differeth from *another* star in glory. 42 So also *is* the resurrection of the dead. It is sown in corruption; it is raised in incorruption: 43 It is sown in dishonour; it is raised in glory: it is sown in weakness; it is raised in power: 44 It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. There is a natural body, and there is a spiritual body. 45 And so it is written, The first man Adam was made a living soul; the last Adam *was made* a quickening spirit. 46 Howbeit that *was* not first which is spiritual, but that which is natural; and afterward that which is spiritual. 47 The first man *is* of the earth, earthy: the second man *is* the Lord from heaven. 48 As *is* the earthy, such *are* they also that are earthy: and as *is* the heavenly, such *are* they also that are heavenly. 49 And as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly. 50 Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption. 51 Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, 52 In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. 53 For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal *must* put on immortality. 54 So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory. 55 O death, where *is* thy sting? O grave, where *is* thy victory? 56 The sting of death *is* sin; and the strength of sin *is* the law. 57 But

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thanks *be* to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. 58 Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.

3. **The Apostle John Saw The Two Resurrections.**
See: Revelation 20:4-6,13,14.

Revelation 20:4-6,13-14

4 And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and *I saw* the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received *his* mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years. 5 But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished. This *is* the first resurrection. 6 Blessed and holy *is* he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years. 13 And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works. 14 And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death.

4. **Christ Raised People From The Dead.**
See: John 11:43; Luke 8:52-55; Matthew 27:52.

John 11:43

43 And when he thus had spoken, he cried with a loud voice, Lazarus, come forth.

Luke 8:52-55

52 And all wept, and bewailed her: but he said, Weep not; she is not dead, but sleepeth. 53 And they laughed him to scorn, knowing that she was dead. 54 And he put them all out, and took her by the hand, and called, saying, Maid, arise. 55 And her spirit came

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again, and she arose straightway: and he commanded to give her meat.

Matthew 27:52

52 And the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints which slept arose,

5. **Christ Himself Was Raised From The Dead.**

See: *Acts 2:32; 4:10; Romans 1:4; 4:25; I Corinthians 15:4-8; etc.*

Acts 2:32

32 This Jesus hath God raised up, whereof we all are witnesses.

Acts 4:10

10 Be it known unto you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom ye crucified, whom God raised from the dead, *even* by him doth this man stand here before you whole.

Romans 1:4

4 And declared *to be* the Son of God with power, according to the spirit of holiness, by the resurrection from the dead:

Romans 4:25

25 Who was delivered for our offences, and was raised again for our justification.

1 Corinthians 15:4-8

4 And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures: 5 And that he was seen of Cephas, then of the twelve: 6 After that, he was seen of above five hundred brethren at once; of whom the greater part remain unto this present, but some are fallen asleep. 7 After that, he was seen of James; then of all the apostles. 8 And last of all he was seen of me also, as of one born out of due time.

II. **THE IMPORTANCE OF THE RESURRECTION**

The importance of the Christian's resurrection is seen in that of the Lord Jesus Christ. The

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resurrection of Christ is both important and essential because:

A. It Declares His Death To Have Been Of Redeeming Value.

If Christ had not risen, we would never have known if His death was sufficient to save us. See: I Corinthians 15:17.

1 Corinthians 15:17

17 And if Christ be not raised, your faith *is* vain; ye are yet in your sins.

B. It Declares The Extent Of Power Available To Us.

Resurrection power (the greatest power there is) is that which God makes available to the believer in his daily walk. See: Romans 1:4; Philippians 3:10a; I Corinthians 15:58.

Romans 1:4

4 And declared *to be* the Son of God with power, according to the spirit of holiness, by the resurrection from the dead:

Philippians 3:10

10 That I may know him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings, being made conformable unto his death;

1 Corinthians 15:58

58 Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.

C. It Declares The Fact Of Our Own Resurrection.

See: I Corinthians 15:22.

1 Corinthians 15:22

22 For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

The only credence for the Christian's faith is the empty tomb.

III. THE NATURE OF THE RESURRECTION

A. It Is Literal And Bodily.

In detailing the resurrection in *I Corinthians 15*, the Word of God makes it clear it refers to the body of man. See: verses 37,38,40,44.

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1 Corinthians 15:37-38,40,44

37 And that which thou sowest, thou sowest not that body that shall be, but bare grain, it may chance of wheat, or of some other *grain*: 38 But God giveth it a body as it hath pleased him, and to every seed his own body. 40 *There are* also celestial bodies, and bodies terrestrial: but the glory of the celestial *is* one, and the *glory* of the terrestrial *is* another. 44 It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. There is a natural body, and there is a spiritual body.

B. It Is Universal.

In general terms, the resurrection applies to all men, believers and unbelievers. All shall be raised. See: *John 5 :28,29; Acts 24:15.*

John 5:28-29

28 Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice, 29 And shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation.

Acts 24:15

15 And have hope toward God, which they themselves also allow, that there shall be a resurrection of the dead, both of the just and unjust.

C. It Is Two-Fold.

In specific terms, the resurrection is in two distinct stages:

1. The Resurrection Of The Just.

See: *Luke 14:14.*

Luke 14:14

14 And thou shalt be blessed; for they cannot recompense thee: for thou shalt be recompensed at the resurrection of the just.

2. The Resurrection Of The Unjust.

See: *John 5:29b; Acts 24:15.*

From the Book of The Revelation, it is evident these two phases of the resurrection are NOT simultaneous, but are separated each side of the Millennium. See: *Revelation 20:5.*

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Revelation 20:5

5 But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished. This *is* the first resurrection.

IV. THE ORDER OF THE RESURRECTION

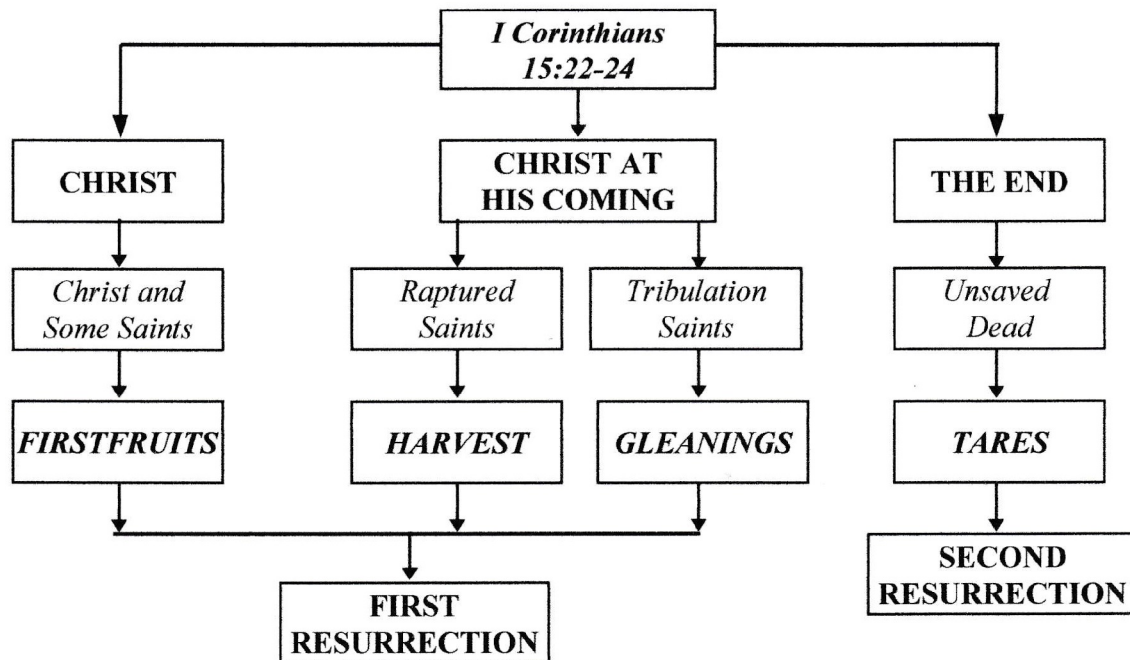
I Corinthians 15:22-24 suggests a definite order in the resurrection — not only that of the first and second resurrection, but an order within the first resurrection. The first resurrection of the righteous dead is likened to the laws of a Jewish harvest, and is in 3 distinct stages.

1 Corinthians 15:22-24

22 For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

23 But every man in his own order: Christ the firstfruits; afterward they that are Christ's at his coming. 24 Then *cometh* the end, when he shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father; when he shall have put down all rule and all authority and power.

Note the following diagram concerning the two resurrections:



A. The First Fruits.

The Lord Jesus Christ represents the 'first fruits' of the first resurrection.

See: *I Corinthians 15:23b*.

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Included in this stage are the saints who arose at the time of the crucifixion — *Matthew 27:52,53*.

Matthew 27:52-53

52 And the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints which slept arose, 53 And came out of the graves after his resurrection, and went into the holy city, and appeared unto many.

B. The Harvest.

This is the major stage of the first resurrection, and corresponds to ‘The Rapture.’ See: *I Corinthians 15:23c*.

C. The Gleanings.

The Bible teaches the salvation of many during the Great Tribulation — *Revelation 7:9-14*. Multitudes will also be slain.

Revelation 7:9-14

9 After this I beheld, and, lo, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands; 10 And cried with a loud voice, saying, Salvation to our God which sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb. 11 And all the angels stood round about the throne, and about the elders and the four beasts, and fell before the throne on their faces, and worshipped God, 12 Saying, Amen: Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and thanksgiving, and honour, and power, and might, be unto our God for ever and ever. Amen. 13 And one of the elders answered, saying unto me, What are these which are arrayed in white robes? and whence came they? 14 And I said unto him, Sir, thou knowest. And he said to me, These are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

These saints will consist of believing Jews and Gentiles — *Revelation 14:3*. According to *Revelation 20:4*, both raptured saints and tribulation saints will reign with Christ during the Millennium.

Revelation 14:3

3 And they sung as it were a new song before the throne, and before the four beasts, and the elders: and no man could learn that song but the hundred and forty and four thousand, which were redeemed from

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the earth.

Revelation 20:4

4 And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years.

The actual time of the resurrection of these tribulation saints is difficult to determine. *Revelation 6:9-11* suggests it will be a definite time, though *Revelation 7:9,10* sees them at the throne.

Revelation 6:9-11

9 And when he had opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of them that were slain for the word of God, and for the testimony which they held: 10 And they cried with a loud voice, saying, How long, O Lord, holy and true, dost thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth? 11 And white robes were given unto every one of them; and it was said unto them, that they should rest yet for a little season, until their fellowservants also and their brethren, that should be killed as they were, should be fulfilled.

V. THE BODY RECEIVED IN THE RESURRECTION

Since the resurrection involves the body, of interest is the nature of the resurrection body.

A. The Resurrection Body Of The Believer.

The Bible indicates several facts concerning our resurrected bodies:

1. A Redeemed Body.

See: Romans 8:23.

Romans 8:23

23 And not only they, but ourselves also, which have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body.

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Our resurrection body is our present body refashioned, renovated, and repaired — *Philippians 3:20,21*.

Philippians 3:20-21

20 For our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ:

21 Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself.

A seed of corn, when planted, yields similar seeds of corn. Our present corruptible bodies shall be planted in death, but shall be raised incorruptible — *I Corinthians 15:42,53*.

1 Corinthians 15:42,53

42 So also is the resurrection of the dead. It is sown in corruption; it is raised in incorruption: 53 For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality.

2. **A Glorified Body.**

See: *I Corinthians 15:43; II Corinthians 5:1-5*.

1 Corinthians 15:43

43 It is sown in dishonour; it is raised in glory: it is sown in weakness; it is raised in power:

2 Corinthians 5:1-5

For we know that if our earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, an house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

2 For in this we groan, earnestly desiring to be clothed upon with our house which is from heaven: 3 If so be that being clothed we shall not be found naked. 4 For we that are in this tabernacle do groan, being burdened: not for that we would be unclothed, but clothed upon, that mortality might be swallowed up of life. 5 Now he that hath wrought us for the selfsame thing is God, who also hath given unto us the earnest of the Spirit.

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3. A Christ-Like Body.

See: 1 John 3:2; Philippians 3:21.

1 John 3:2

2 Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is.

Philippians 3:21

21 Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself.

Our glorified resurrection bodies will have similar characteristics to the resurrection body of Christ.

a. Recognizable — *Luke 24:31.*

Luke 24:31

31 And their eyes were opened, and they knew him; and he vanished out of their sight.

b. Touchable — *Luke 24:39; John 20:27.*

Luke 24:39

39 Behold my hands and my feet, that it is I myself: handle me, and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones, as ye see me have.

John 20:27

27 Then saith he to Thomas, Reach hither thy finger, and behold my hands; and reach hither thy hand, and thrust it into my side: and be not faithless, but believing.

c. Unlimited — *John 20:19.*

John 20:19

19 Then the same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut where the

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disciples were assembled for fear of the Jews, came Jesus and stood in the midst, and saith unto them, Peace be unto you.

d. Able To Eat — *Luke 24:42,43; John 21:12.*

Luke 24:42-43

42 And they gave him a piece of a broiled fish, and of an honeycomb. 43 And he took it, and did eat before them.

John 21:12

12 Jesus saith unto them, Come and dine. And none of the disciples durst ask him, Who art thou? knowing that it was the Lord.

e. Able To Vanish — *Luke 24:31.*

Luke 24:31

31 And their eyes were opened, and they knew him; and he vanished out of their sight.

B. The Resurrection Body Of The Unbeliever.

Little is said in the Word of God about the resurrected body of the unbeliever.

Matthew 5:29,30 indicates the body will be a corrupt one, subject to the pains and torments of the second death.

Matthew 5:29-30

29 And if thy right eye offend thee, pluck it out, and cast it from thee: for it is profitable for thee that one of thy members should perish, and not that thy whole body should be cast into hell. 30 And if thy right hand offend thee, cut it off, and cast it from thee: for it is profitable for thee that one of thy members should perish, and not that thy whole body should be cast into hell.