

# Eschatology Series

## Session 4:

### Immortality of the Soul, the Resurrection of the Body and the Parousia

Revelations 1:5-7

Resurrection anastasis (40 times) THE Key Doctrine

1 Corinthians 15:12-13

BUT

Messiah is the FIRSTFRUITS

1 Corinthians 15:23 } Romans 8:23	Redemption of the body
Philippians 3:10 Philippians 3:11 Matthew 27:53	Power of His resurrection attain Resurrection of dead Saints resurrected from graves an appeared to many in their resurrected bodies.
John 5:29	Resurrection of Life or } Resurrection of Damnation }
John 11:24-25	Resurrection of Last Day

WE

Romans 6:5 Revelations 20:5-6	likeness of Resurrection First Resurrection 1000 year
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What will we look like?

1 John 3:2                      When He appears we shall be like Him  
cf. Luke 24:13-16

In what way are we like Him?

## 3 stages of transformation into Kingdom people

Romans 8:30

- Justification

BLADE OF CORN

1 Corinthians 6:11

- Sanctification

EAR OF CORN

- Glorification

FULL CORN

Mark 4:28

## Jewish belief in the After-life (Roots of Christianity) Romans 9-11

Olam Ha Ba – the world to come  
or the Messianic Kingdom

The world is like a vestibule before the world to come;  
prepare yourself in the vestibule that you may enter  
the banqueting hall

[Mishna – Abot 4:16]

And the earth shall give up those who are asleep in it;  
And the chambers shall give up the souls  
which have been committed to them;  
And the MOST HIGH shall be revealed  
upon the seat of JUDGEMENT.

4 Ezra 7:32-33

Malachi 4:1-6

(the last words of the Tanach)

Malachi 4v 5

The great and terrible DAY OF THE LORD

Daniel 12:2

Shame or glory?

Daniel 12:13

at the END OF DAYS

you will ARISE - resurrection

The Overcomers who rule and reign with Christ 2 Timothy 2:12

Overcome Nikao (Nike) (goddess of victory)

17 Times in Revelation alone, 28 times in New Testament

Revelation 2:7  
or  
Eat of the forbidden fruit of the Tree of Life  
Immortality in Paradise. The faithful eat  
and live forever

Jews taught that when the Messiah comes and the New Age has dawned the tree of life would be in the midst:

Its boughs overshadowed the whole of Paradise;  
it had five hundred thousand fragrant perfumes and  
its fruit as many pleasant tastes and everyone different  
(Barclay)

Revelation 2:11  
overcomer not hurt by the second death  
at the end of the Millennium

Revelation 2:17:

- i. Hidden manna  
Jewish legend that Jeremiah hid the Ark of  
Covenant Manna until Messiah appeared.  
Expression meaning the blessing of the  
Messianic Age.  
Heavenly food like Moses was given,  
the Bread of Heaven

John 6:31-35

ii. White Stone and a NEW NAME

In ancient Law Courts White and Black stones recorded the verdict of the juries. A white stone meant acquittal.

Ancient Greeks had a custom of keeping an urn. Each day they threw in a white stone (happy) or a black stone (bad). At the end of life the stones were counted – Good or bad life.

In Revelation there are White Robes, White Linen, Great White Throne, White is the colour of God.

Glossary: 'NEW'

There are two Greek words for New; Neos and Kainos

**Neos** means new at a point in time. It can be one of a number of new things e.g., car on a production line.

**Kainos** is a completely, unique creation.

The New Name God gives is unique, nothing like it has ever been given.

New Jerusalem

Revelation 3:12

New Song

Revelation 5:9

New Heavens and Earth

Revelation 21:1

All things New

Revelation 21:5

The nations will see your righteousness,  
And all kings your glory;  
And you will be called by a new name  
Which the mouth of the LORD will designate.

Isaiah 62:2