

The Resurrection of the Body Heidelberg Catechism, Lord's Day 22

1. THE LIFE EVERLASTING: Old and New Testament together are clear that God's faithfulness is such that not even _____ is able to _____ us from his love.
 - a. Psalm 16:10 "you will not _____ my soul to Sheol"
 - b. Psalm 73:24 "afterward you will _____ me to glory"
 - c. Philippians 1:23 "My desire is to _____ and be with Christ"
 - d. 2 Corinthians 5:8 "we would rather be away from the body and at _____ with the Lord"

2. THE RESURRECTION OF THE BODY: The Christian's _____ is the resurrection of the body and the life of the new creation.

- a. This is rooted in the Old Testament by way of specific _____ (Daniel 12:2) and broad _____ (Genesis 1:1).

And many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. (Daniel 12:2)

- b. The resurrection of Christ is the fulfillment of that expectation in the _____ of history, as the firstfruits and _____ of our own resurrection.

For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. (Romans 6:5)

3. RESURRECTION HOPE: What we believe about the future shapes _____ in the present.

- a. We must understand this hope correctly, precisely as _____ hope.

- b. We are "already now" experiencing the _____ of that promised future.

- c. Allow this hope to remain _____ – at the center ever and always remains the beatific vision.

For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I have been fully known. (1 Corinthians 13:12)