

# Power of the Holy Spirit #5: "Death, the Last Enemy" May 11 & 12, 2024 1 Corinthians 15:12-26, 51-57

## **Opener:**

Who was the first person whose funeral you attended?

# Go Deeper:

- 1. What would be the problem if Jesus had not been raised from the dead?
- 2. How would you describe the essential nature of Jesus' resurrection as part of our Christian faith?
- 3. 1 Corinthians 15:23-26: What is the significance of Christ's reign and the defeat of death?
- 4. 1 Corinthians 15:51-53: How does Paul describe the transformation that will occur at the resurrection? What does this reveal about what life will be like after the resurrection?
- 5. 1 Corinthians 15:54-55: What is the significance of death being "swallowed up in victory," and how does this relate to the promise of salvation by faith in Jesus Christ?

#### Live It:

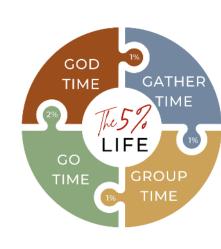
- 1. Would you be a Christian if there was no resurrection?
- 2. Based on 1 Corinthians 15:23-26, how does the reality of the resurrection influence your perspective on challenges and fears?
- 3. Considering 1 Corinthians 15:51-52, how does resurrection prepare you for the uncertainties and fears of life?
- 4. What is God saying to you specifically?
- 5. What step of faith is God calling you to live in this coming week?



GOD TIME:

### Daily Bible Readings (May 12-18)

- Sun: 1 Corin. 15:51-57 Mon: 1 Corin. 16:1-9 Tues: 1 Corin. 16:10-14 Wed: 1 Corin. 16:15-24 Thurs: 2 Corin. 1:3-7 Fri: 2 Corin. 1:8-14 Sat: Acts 2:1-4
- Mystery and Victory Collection for the Saints
- Timothy and Apollos
- **Final Greetings** 
  - A Prayer of Blessing The Travails of Paul
- Pentecost



\*The readings selected come from the Narrative Lectionary calendar.