





# THE LAST ENEMY

A STUDY IN 1 CORINTHIANS

SERMON GUIDE

## WAKE UP

1 Corinthians 15:16-34 | Pastor Tim Prince

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The Conversation Guide is a great tool for individuals, families, discipleship groups and Missional Communities to take a deeper, more personal dive into the content of the current sermon series. The Conversation Guide will be posted every Friday in the News & Blog section of our website. We encourage you to use it this week on your own, around your dinner tables, over coffee with your friends or in your Bible studies!

**\*QUESTIONS FOR KIDS!** Questions most suitable for children are marked with an asterisk.

### Conversation Questions

1. Think about a time when you felt most fully alive and awake. What was it like? What was going on?
2. Read 1 Corinthians 15:16-34. What words or phrases stand out to you? Why?
3. Paul teaches that we are trapped in a world of death (v.21, 22) and that without the resurrection from the dead, our faith is meaningless (v.16-19).
  - a. Death is more than just physical. Where do you see the impact of death (physical and spiritual) on the world all around you?
  - b. What does Jesus destroy in verses 25-26?
4. A summary of verses 26-27 could be this: God the Father has put everything in subjection to Jesus except himself. One day, when Jesus reigns over all things, he will present the kingdom to God the Father, and Jesus will also submit himself to God the Father.
  - a. Is there anything in these verses that surprises you or stands out to you? What would we be missing if these verses weren't here?
5. Paul describes death (physical and spiritual) as an enemy that will be destroyed by the resurrection (v.26). Why does that matter for your life today?
6. For Paul, the implications of the resurrection are that we should live very differently today. For example, we should not fear danger if the resurrection is real (v.30). We should not be afraid to take risks for the kingdom of God (v.31-32).
  - a. Paul concludes by exhorting the Corinthians to "Wake up from your drunken stupor..."
  - b. How does the world lull us into a "drunken stupor"? How might we help one another to stay awake?

Is there any way in which you are living in a stupor, rather than fully alive to the reality of the coming resurrection and the reign of God? Take time to confess this and ask God to make you fully awake and alive.