

Argument Six: The Radical Change of the Body

1 Corinthians 15:50-58

1 *The change is needed*

- a. Because man is mere flesh and blood
- b. Because man is corruptible

2 *The change is a brand new revelation*

- a. It involves both the dead and the living
- b. It will be a quick, sudden change
- c. It will be at the end time, at the end of the world
- d. It is a surety

3 *The change will be the infusion of a totally new nature*

4 *The change will swallow death; it will bring victory over the grave*

- a. The victory was promised by God long ago
- b. Victory over the sting of death
- c. Victory over the strength of sin

5 *The change will be wrought through our Lord Jesus Christ*

6 *The change demands staunch work*

- a. Undying labour
- b. Overflowing labour
- c. The reason: Will be rewarded

50 I declare to you, brothers, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.

51 Listen, I tell you a mystery: We will not all sleep, but we will all be changed

52 In a flash, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed.

53 For the perishable must clothe itself with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality.

54 When the perishable has been clothed with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality, then the saying that is written will come true: "Death has been swallowed up in victory."

55 "Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?"

56 The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law.

57 But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

58 Therefore, my dear brothers, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labour in the Lord is not in vain.