

**Book of Revelation, part 48**  
*The Glorified Body*

- I.** Christians will have a better resurrection than Old Testament saints (Heb. 11:40).
1. All church saints will receive same glorification (Rom. 8:17).
  2. This glorified body will be like Christ's (Phil. 3:21; 1 Jn. 3:2).
  3. This future glorification will completely "unloose" our bodies from the curse (Rom. 8:23).
  4. Christ's glory shines brighter than the sun (Acts 22:11; 26:13).
  5. This is His acquired glory (Jn. 17:22), not His Shekinah glory.
- II.** Characteristics of Christ's glorified body.
1. At times recognizable, implying genuine human features (Lu. 24:31).
  2. At times unrecognizable, indicating He could alter His outward form (Jn. 20:14; Mt. 28:17 cf. Mk. 16:12).
  3. Could traverse the universe (Jn. 20:17, 19-29).
  4. Consisted of flesh and bones (Lu. 24:39; 1 Jn. 4:2; 2 Jn. 7).
  5. Retained humanoid parts—hand and feet (Lu. 24:40).
  6. Could be touched—material substance.
  7. Could enter a shuttered room (Jn. 20:26).
  8. Could eat, not of necessity (Lu. 24:43; Acts 10:41).
- III.** Church saints' glorified bodies (1 Cor. 15:35-57).
1. Resurrection is a result of the power of God (vv. 35-38).
  2. Like a seed that changes form through germination (v. 37).
  3. Retains individuality (v. 38 cf. Rev. 2:17).
  4. Constituted of flesh, a different kind of flesh (v. 39).
  5. Both Old and New Testament saints will possess bodies that radiate heavenly glory (vv. 40-42).
  6. Incorruptible—no lifecycle—no death (v. 42).
  7. Therefore, will not reproduce (Mt. 22:30).
  8. Adam's fallen image replaced with Christ's image (v. 43).
  9. Weak body changed to an inherently powerful body (v. 43).
  10. A body that emanates the soul—emotions, changed to one that emanates the spirit—rational (v. 44).
  11. Body given life from the soul change to a body animated by the spirit (v. 44 cf. Lev. 17:11).
  12. Image of Adam changed to image of Christ (v. 47).

13. Body composed of dust changed to a body composed of heavenly material (v. 48).
14. The body will possess flesh and bones, not blood (v. 50 cf. Lu. 24:39).

The glorified body will consist of heavenly substance not derived from the present created order. It will remain physical rather than immaterial and corporal while operating according to laws beyond present human understanding of physics. Scripture indicates that such a body will possess capacities exceeding current physical limitations, including movement unhindered by material barriers and will have the ability to traverse the universe freely. It will also retain the ability to eat and drink, although not of necessity, and will function in perfect rational and spiritual harmony (Rev. 4:10–11). Most significantly, the glorified body will no longer be subject to the Adamic curse, absent a sin nature (Rom. 8:23) and will enable believers to serve their Savior in perfect righteousness into the age from the ages.