

## The Hope of Our Citizenship

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**Big Idea:** What hope sustains you? For the believer we look forward to that great day when our body's will be transformed into Christ's glorious body. In justification, Jesus saves us from the **penalty** and **punishment** of sin. In sanctification, he saves us from the **power** and **persistence** of sin. And in glorification, he saves us from the **presence** and **physical repercussions** of sin. It is in this hope we endure the trials of this world.

### 3 things we should know about the hope of our citizenship:

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**Romans 8:22–23 (ESV)** — 22 For we know that the whole creation has been groaning together in the pains of childbirth until now. 23 And not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies.

#### 2. The \_\_\_\_\_ of our Hope

21 who will transform our **lowly body** to be like his **glorious body**...

**Psalm 103:14–16 (ESV)** — 14 For he knows our frame; he remembers that we are dust. 15 As for man, his days are like grass; he flourishes like a flower of the field; 16 for the wind passes over it, and it is gone, and its place knows it no more.

**2 Corinthians 4:16 (ESV)** — 16 So we do not lose heart. Though our outer self is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day.

**2 Corinthians 4:17–18 (ESV)** —17 For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, 18 as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.

**At the return of Christ and in the resurrection we will not be restored to the \_\_\_\_\_, we will be transformed into \_\_\_\_\_.**

1Cor. 15:35-49

#### 3. The \_\_\_\_\_ of our Hope

21 who will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body **by** the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself.

**Romans 8:29–30 (ESV)** 29 For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. 30 And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.

### Questions to Consider

- How does the hope of glorification sustain you in the midst of physical suffering? How does it embolden you to preach in the face of persecution?
- Why is Christ's glorification significant in our hope of being glorified? Can you be certain that you will be glorified? Why?
- How does this message help you preach a full gospel to others? Is this aspect of salvation important in sharing the gospel? Why or Why not?

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