

# PHILIPPIANS Lesson 39

## Chapter 3, verses 20-21: Our Changed Bodies

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**Vs 20** **“Our conversation is in heaven.”** If you currently have a heavenly conversation, then you are living your life today as though you are already in heaven.

**“We look for THE Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ.”** Jesus Christ is not one of many Saviours. He is **“THE Saviour.”** He is the only One who can save you.

**NIV: “And we eagerly await a Savior.”**

**RSV: “We await a Savior.”**

**ASV: “We wait for a Saviour.”** Who is your Saviour?

Jesus Christ is the only religious leader who proved that He had power over death when He arose from the dead. He is the only one who can save me and give me eternal life.

**Vs 21** **“<sup>21</sup> Who shall change our VILE body...”**

Humanistic bibles that honor man and dishonor God:

**Good News for Modern Man: “He will change our WEAK MORTAL bodies.”**

**NIV: “He will transform our LOWLY bodies.”**

**The Living bible: “He will take care of these DYING bodies of ours and change them.”**

Modern bibles appeal to people who love themselves more than they love God.

**“...that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body...”**

### OUR NEED OF A NEW BODY:

**GEN. 2:15-17** **“for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die.”**

**ROM. 5:12** **“and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned.”** Death is the consequence of sin. You need to deal with your sins, not your body.

**ROM. 6:5** Jesus took care of our death problem by His death. His resurrection is my guarantee that He will resurrect me from the dead.

**1 THES. 4:13-18** Believers who are dead in Christ will rise to meet the Lord in the air.

**1 COR. 15:35-56** One day your body (the seed, the container of life) will be planted in the ground and life will spring forth.

As **“one star differeth from another”** (vs 41), we also will not all look alike.

Our bodies will be **“sown in corruption”** (vs 42) (dissolving flesh) and **“in dishonour”** (vs 43) (frail, weak, and vile), sown natural, raised spiritual (vs 44).

**“We shall not all sleep”** (vs 51). Not all will die before the Lord comes.

**“But we shall be changed.”** All the saved in Christ will get a new body.

**“This corruptible MUST put on incorruption”** because vile bodies do not belong in sin-free heaven.

All of this is possible ONLY because Jesus Christ defeated sin and defeated death so that they no longer have power over the saved child of God. When you die, you will very quickly be “absent from the body and present with the Lord” (2 Cor. 5:8) until He resurrects your body and changes it to an immortal body.