



Resurrection Guaranteed

Three reminders in Feast of First Fruits

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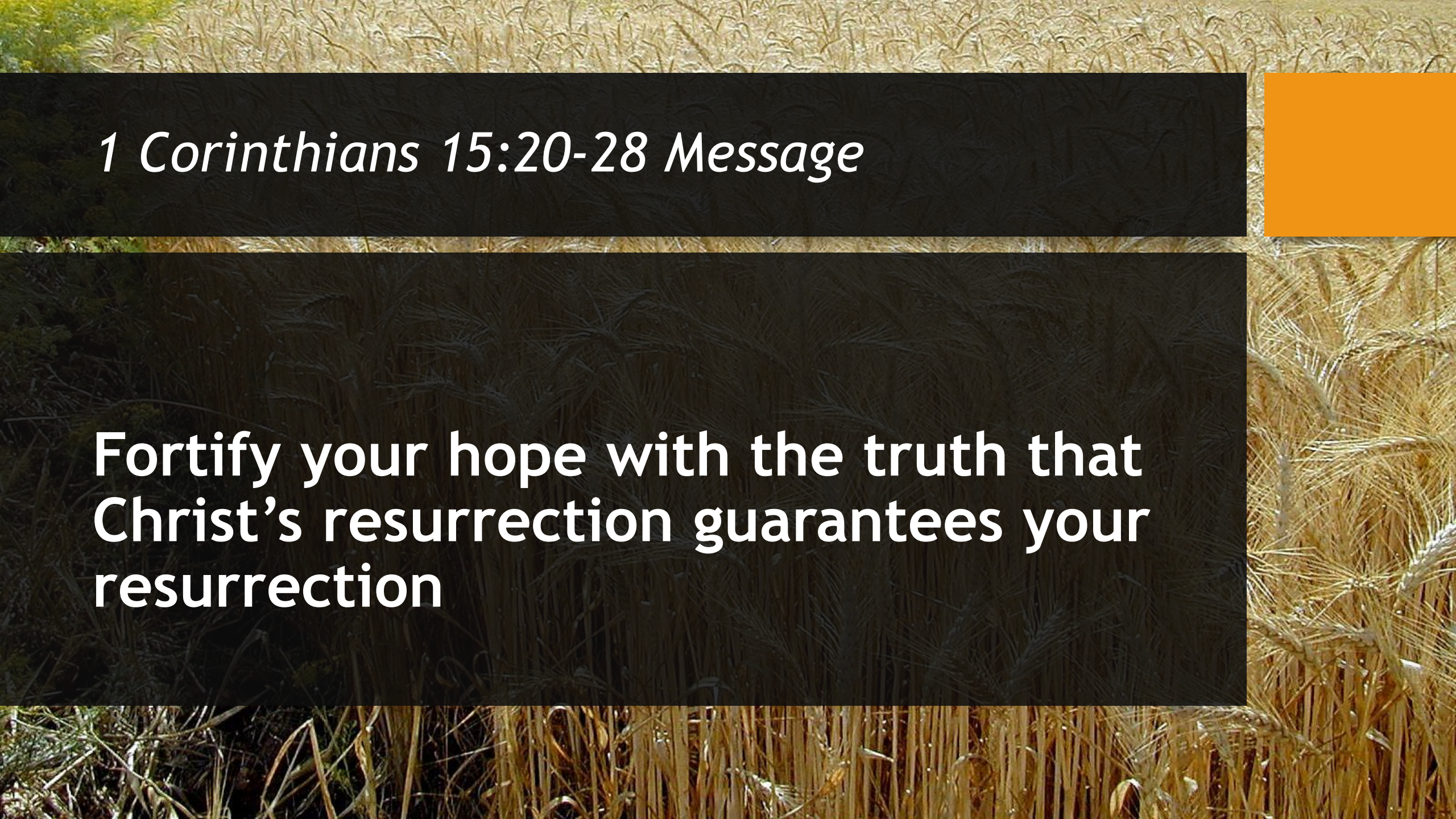
God is the
source of all we
have

2

Be grateful for
His good gifts

3

The full harvest
is yet to come



1 Corinthians 15:20-28 Message

**Fortify your hope with the truth that
Christ's resurrection guarantees your
resurrection**

Structure of 1 Corinthians

Paul responds to reports
about them
(1-6)

*“For I have been informed
concerning you...”*
(1 Cor 1:11)

Paul responds to
questions in their letter
(7-16)

*“Now concerning the things
about which you wrote...”*
(1 Cor 7:1)

1 Cor 15:20-28

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First fruits

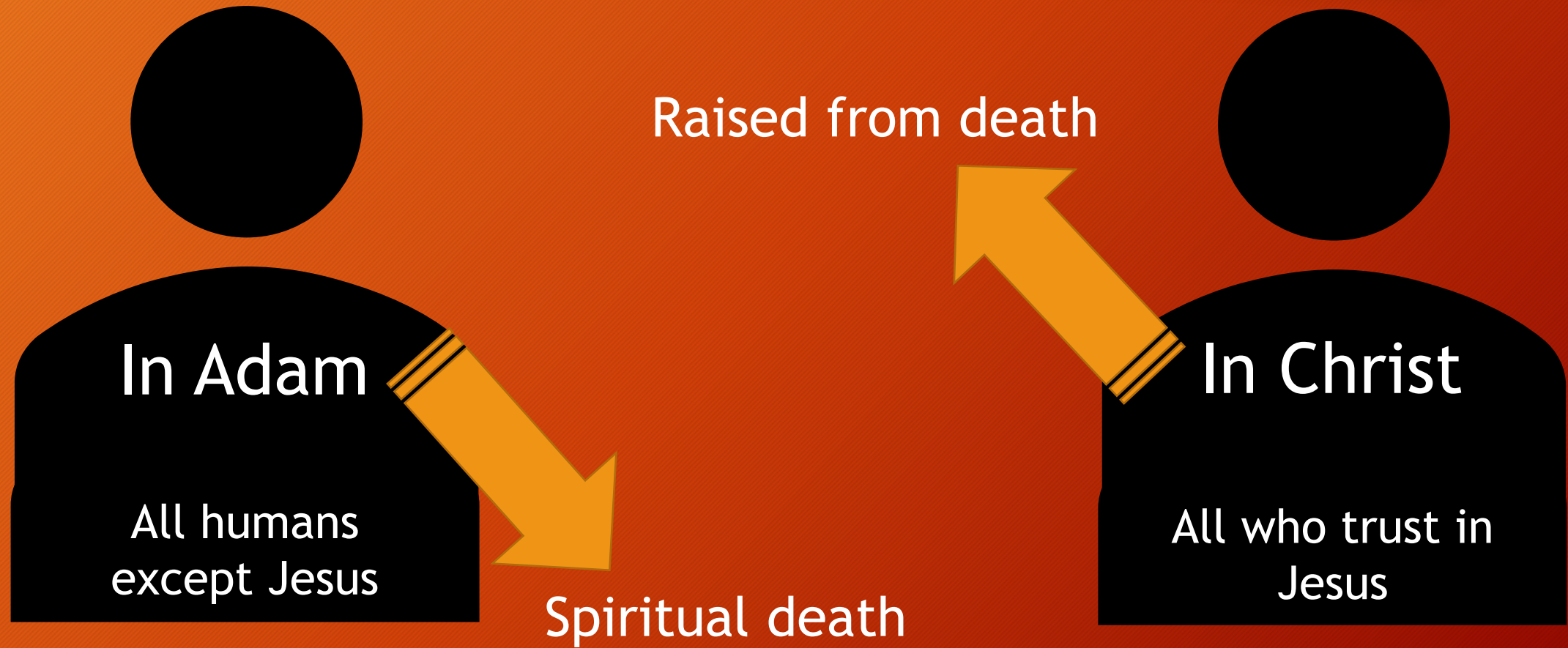
- Farmer beholds his field ready to harvest
- In thankfulness he selects out the first sheaf to give to God
- That first sheaf means that the full harvest is next



“Christ’s resurrection makes
absolutely necessary the
resurrection of believers”

Gordon Fee,
1 Corinthians,
p. 751

In Adam vs in Christ



1 Cor 15:20-28

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- II. Your resurrection is an essential part of God's plan (23-26)
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Progress of God's plan

Jesus' resurrection

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Believers' resurrection

End goal

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- III. Your resurrection will happen prior to trinitarian glory being restored (27-28)

“From the time of His incarnation until the time when He presents the kingdom to the Father, Christ is in the role of a Servant, fulfilling His divine task as assigned by His Father. But when that final work is accomplished, He will assume His former, full, glorious place in the perfect harmony of the Trinity.”

John
MacArthur,
1 Corinthians,
pp. 420-421