

# Sermon Discussion Guide 3/17-3/23 VGroup Meetings

Sermon Title: Fearless in the Face of Death - 1 Corinthians 15:50-57

Distribute name tags as people enter. Take attendance in FellowshipOne / collect new guest information including address, phone & email, etc. Allow folks to mingle, fellowship, and settle in with each other. Download/email resources from [www.vgroups.org](http://www.vgroups.org). Source for study guide, covenant, and more.

Open the session with prayer.

Discussion Starter/Ice Breaker: (15-20 mins)

What were you afraid of as a child you no longer fear? How did you overcome your fear?

Discussion Questions: (45 mins)

1. Read the focus verses from the sermon together - 1 Corinthians 15: 1-5, 20, 35-41, 50-58.  
Review the key questions Erik noted.
2. We are created with a desire to live - self preservation is automatic - our bodies fight death by natural instinct. With this in mind, it's normal for us to fear death - the one thing that is guaranteed to happen to 100% of us. But as we discover in the Bible, the loss of our earthly bodies is not the end of our existence. As Christians, when we leave these broken & disease filled vessels, we join our Lord in Glory. Let's explore His Word together.
  - a. Genesis 1:1
  - b. Psalms 23:1-6
  - c. Isaiah 40:28-31
  - d. John 3:16-18 & 31-36, 14:1-7 & 25-27
  - e. Romans 6:20-23
  - f. Philippians 3:17-21
  - g. Colossians 1:11-14
  - h. 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
  - i. Revelation 21:1-7
3. What evidence or proof of eternal life & heaven is provided in these verses? Identify as many as possible.
4. Death touches us in some way almost daily & the loss of a life is painful. What can we do to ease the sting that comes in the wake of losing a life close to us? How do we find joy in life when we know that this world/body is temporary?
5. What does fearless living look like? How does our lifestyle or actions change? What do we do differently?
6. In 1 Cor 15:5-8, there's strong evidence of why sharing our testimony - our 1st hand experience with The Living God - is so crucial. We are the "eyewitnesses" of God's power, love, & grace for the non-believing world. In looking at eternal life this week, has your desire or sense of urgency about exposing Christ to people changed? Think about this Fearless series and identify an area of your life where God has changed you from fearful to fearless. Share this with your group.

Closing: Open the floor for discussion / questions.

Prayer Requests:

Close in prayer.

