

# Christ, the First fruits

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1 Corinthians 15:20-22

**Main Idea: Being in Adam is the problem, being in Christ is the solution.**

*But now Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who are asleep.*

*1 Corinthians 15:20*

## 1.) Christ is the first fruits of a much greater harvest.

A.) Christ, as our first fruit, speaks to the quality and nature of the rest of the harvest.

B.) The certainty of the rest of the harvest lies in our unity with Christ

*But God, being rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us,<sup>5</sup> even when we were dead in our transgressions, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved),<sup>6</sup> and raised us up with Him, and seated us with Him in the heavenly places in Christ*

*Jesus,*

*Ephesians 2:4-6*

C.) In one sense, the harvest has already begun.

*...and the harvest is the end of the age...*

*Matthew 13:39*

*For since by a man [came] death, by a man also [came] the resurrection of the dead. [22] For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ all will be made alive.*

*1 Corinthians 15:21-22*

## 2.) Christ is also the Tree.

A.) Through Adam Came Death

B.) It is necessary for the resurrection of the dead to come through a man

C.) Through Jesus Came the Resurrection of the Dead

D.) All People are Either in Adam or in Christ