

## What you believe shapes what you do

1 Corinthians 15:29-34, p. 934

- I. THOSE WHO BELIEVE THIS LIFE IS ALL THERE IS WILL LIVE TO PLEASE THEMSELVES (1 CORINTHIANS 15:29-32).
  - A. Those/them: It's foolish that some teach baptism for the dead when they don't believe the dead are physically raised (29).
  - B. Us: It would be foolish for Paul to risk his life for Christ if the dead are not physically raised (30-32).
    - Sacrificial living: Paul was willing to die for Christ because he knew he would live with Christ forever (30-32a).
    - Fatalistic hedonism: If we don't live forever, live for pleasure (32b).
- II. AS THOSE WHO KNOW WE LIVE FOREVER WE MUST LIVE TO PLEASE GOD (1 CORINTHIANS 15:33-34).
  - A. Don't be fooled; companionship with immoral people eventually will rub off on your own character (15:33).
  - B. Don't be foolish; wake up and stop sinning like those who have no relationship with God (15:34).