November 30 Answers

Some Corinthians believed that there was no <u>resurrection</u> of the body after death, and this belief had led to a *carpe diem* attitude toward life: "Let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we <u>die</u>" (1 Cor 15:32). Paul's discussion of the resurrection teaches us several important lessons: (1) Jesus' bodily resurrection is the <u>foundation</u> of the Christian faith. (2) <u>Union</u> with Jesus is the essence of the Christian life. We have been united with Christ in His death and raised with Him in the power of His resurrection. We have <u>spiritual</u> life now, and we will enjoy <u>physical</u> life in the world to come.
(3) <u>Imitating</u> Jesus' example is the calling of the Christian walk. Paul wanted the Corinthians to remember that Jesus left an <u>example</u> so that they might follow in His steps (1 Pet 2:21).