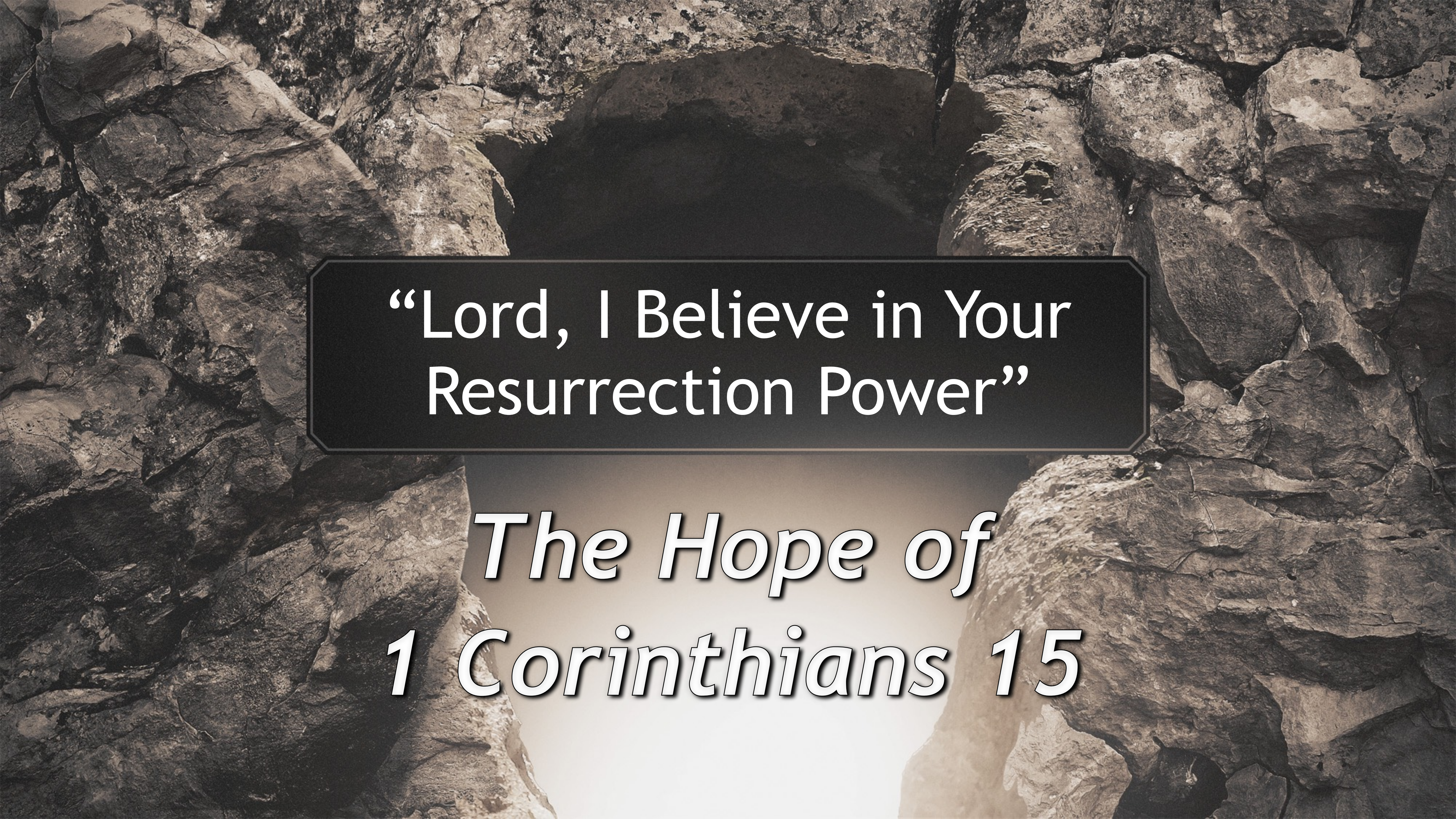


The background of the image is a dark, textured rock face, possibly a cave entrance. A bright, warm light emanates from a central opening in the rock, creating a strong contrast with the dark surroundings. The light is soft and diffused, suggesting a distant fire or a natural light source like a window or a cave opening. The rock surface is rugged and uneven, with various shades of brown, grey, and black. The overall mood is mysterious and hopeful, as the light represents a path forward or a source of life.

“Lord, I Believe in Your
Resurrection Power”

*The Hope of
1 Corinthians 15*

The Foundation of Our Hope: Jesus

- Saving Faith (1 Cor. 15:1-2)
- Testimony of the Scriptures. (1 Cor. 15:3-4)
- Testimony of Eyewitnesses (1 Cor. 15:5-8)



Consequences of Resurrection Denial

- If there is no resurrection, then Christ is not risen (15:12)
- If Christ is not risen, our preaching is vain (15:14, 17)
- If Christ is not raised, your faith is worthless (15:14, 17)



Consequences of Resurrection Denial

- If Christ is not raised, the apostles were deceivers (15:15)
- If Christ has not been raised, the dead in Christ have perished (15:18)
- If Christ has not been raised, “we are of all men most miserable” (15:19)



The Truth of the Gospel

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

(1 Corinthians 15:20)



Resurrection: Fulfillment of God's Purpose

- Removal of every effect of sin in soul and body (Rom. 8:23)
- Jesus delivers the kingdom back to the Father by presenting God's glorified people back to Him (1 Cor. 15:24)
- Spiritual Victory: "That God may be all in all" (1 Cor. 15:28)



Questions About the Resurrection Body

- **What kind of body will it be?**
 - How can it happen?
 - Natural analogy (1 Cor. 15:36-38)
 - Divine design (1 Cor. 15:38-41)



Contrast Between the Pre-Resurrection Body and the Resurrection Body

Pre-Resurrection Body	Resurrection Body
Perishable/Corruptible	Imperishable/Incorruptible
Dishonorable	Honorable
Weak/Mortal	Powerful/Immortal
Natural	Spiritual

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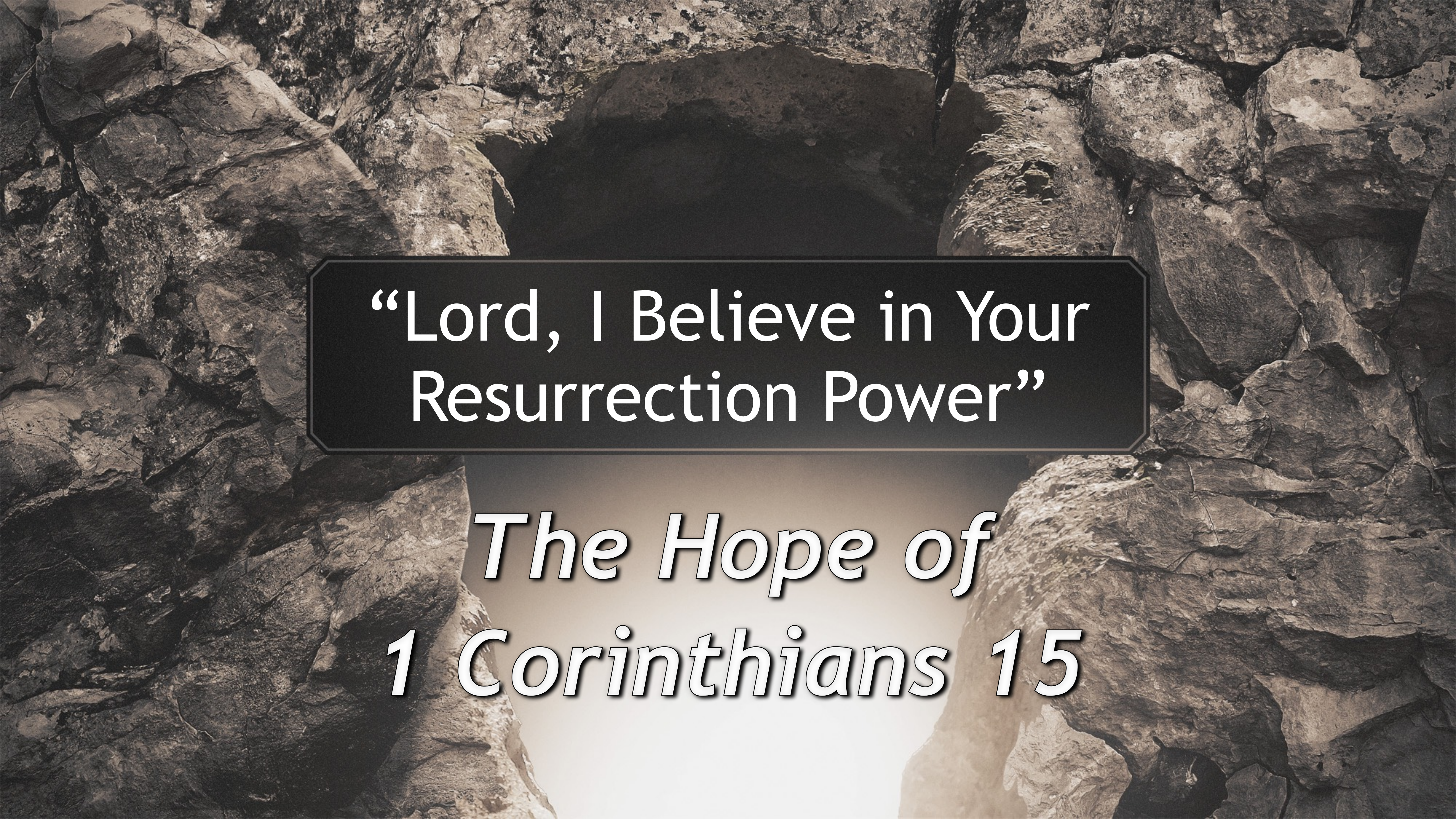
- We will have a resurrection body like Jesus's glorified body (1 Cor. 15:45-49; cf. 15:23; Acts 2:31; John 5:28-29)
- The resurrection will vindicate God's people and confirm their identity as His children (1 John 3:1-2; cf. Phil. 3:20-21)



What Happens to Those on the Earth When Jesus Christ Returns?

- We will not all die, but we will all be changed (15:51; cf. 1 Thess. 4:13-18)
- The change will occur in the twinkling of an eye (15:52)
- There will be a change in our attributes, not our person (15:53-54)
- The Resurrection is a tremendous encouragement (15:58)





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