

## What About the Resurrection?

### Intro:

1. The Sadducees did not believe in the resurrection — Acts 23:8.
2. They came to Jesus and posed a perceived dilemma —  
Matt. 22:24-32.

### Body:

- I. The scriptures teach the resurrection.
  - A. In replying to the Sadducees — Matt. 22:29.
    1. He answered from the scriptures —  
Matt. 22:32; Ex. 3:6.
  - B. Other O.T. passages — Isa. 26:19; Dan. 12:2.
  - C. N.T. passages — Jn. 5:28-29; 1 Cor. 15:1-8, 12-14.
- II. God is powerful enough to resurrect us.
  - A. He is Creator — Gen. 1:1; Jn. 1:1-3.
  - B. Abraham knew the power of God — Heb. 11:17-19.
  - C. John knew the power of God — Matt. 3:9.
- III. What will we be like in the resurrection?
  - A. We will not be as we are, but as the angels —  
Matt. 22:30; Lk. 20:34-36.
  - B. What, then, shall we be? — 1 Cor. 15:35-38.
    1. We shall be changed — 1 Cor. 15:42-44, 50-53.
    2. We shall be as Christ — 1 Jn. 3:2-3; Phil. 3:20-21.
    3. There will be recognition and consciousness —  
Lk. 16:19-31.

### Conc:

1. Life is the union of body and spirit; death the condition resulting from their separation.
  - a. Once the spirit has flown, the body is lifeless and begins its return to its original elements. Yet, life has not ceased.