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How we envision our future has enormous impact on our current experience.
Jesus' resurrection ensures our resurrection on a resurrected earth.
1 Corinthians 15:20-23; Romans 8:20-23
Matthew 19:28-29 NIV
Jesus said to them, "Truly I tell you, at the renewal of all things, when the Son of Man sits on his glorious throne, you who have followed me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or wife or children or fields for my sake will receive a hundred times as much and will inherit eternal life.

Colossians 3:1-4 NLT

Since you have been raised to new life with Christ, set your sights on
the realities of heaven, where Christ sits in the place of honor at
God's right hand. Think about the things of heaven, not the
things of earth. For you died to this life, and your real life is hidden
with Christ in God. And when Christ, who is your life, is revealed to
the whole world, you will share in all his glory.

To what extent are we living in light of eternity?

1 Corinthians 15:30-34 MSG

And why do you think I keep risking my neck in this dangerous work? I look death in the face practically every day I live. Do you think I'd do this if I wasn't convinced of your resurrection and mine as guaranteed by the resurrected Messiah Jesus? Do you think I was just trying to act heroic when I fought the wild beasts at Ephesus, hoping it wouldn't be the end of me? Not on your life! It's resurrection, resurrection, always resurrection, that undergirds what I do and say, the way I live. If there's no resurrection, "We eat, we drink, the next day we die," and that's all there is to it. But don't fool yourselves. Don't let yourselves be poisoned by this anti-resurrection loose talk. "Bad company ruins good manners."

Think straight. Awaken to the holiness of life. No more playing fast and loose with resurrection facts. Ignorance of God is a luxury you can't afford in times like these. Aren't you embarrassed that you've let this kind of thing go on as long as you have?



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