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Life can be challenging. We expect I to go on way and it takes a 180. Often ending up where we never expect ourselves to be. I see this each day in hospice. People end up in nursing homes. Always with the best intentions to “go in their sleep”. This isn’t how it usually works. Either the mind or body breaks down first. Leavig us unable to take care of ourselves. In this life we are not given a perfect body:

Revelation 21:4

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⁴‘He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death’^[a] or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away.”

All old things including our bodies:

2 Corinthians 5

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Awaiting the New Body

5 For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, an eternal house in heaven, not built by human hands. ² Meanwhile we groan, longing to be clothed instead with our heavenly dwelling, ³ because when we are clothed, we will not be found naked. ⁴ For while we are in this tent, we groan and are burdened, because we do not wish to be unclothed but to be clothed

instead with our heavenly dwelling, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life. ⁵ Now the one who has fashioned us for this very purpose is God, who has given us the Spirit as a deposit, guaranteeing what is to come.

⁶ Therefore we are always confident and know that as long as we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord. ⁷ For we live by faith, not by sight. ⁸ We are confident, I say, and would prefer to be away from the body and at home with the Lord. ⁹ So we make it our goal to please him, whether we are at home in the body or away from it. ¹⁰ For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each of us may receive what is due us for the things done while in the body, whether good or bad.

We are given these new bodies. Tomorrow we will cover what you need to do to gain these bodies and what the alternative is.

Waiting for Him,

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