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When we start to see our loved ones declining over time they are no longer themselves. Who they are or what they did isn't the same anymore. We start to miss who they are and what they meant to us. Then we start to worry if this will impact their salvation or after life. There is no worry because these bodies don't go to heaven. These physical bodies stay on earth. We get our new spiritual bodies:

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.”

So, with these perfect bodies why do we think it will be lost to us? God promises us that we will last forever in heaven. This is a good promise. We are given something better than this lifetime. We will be with Him forever!

1 Corinthians 15:52

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⁵² in a flash, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed.

We will be raised imperishable! With our Lord our God in heaven with Him. We need to remember that and our friends whose bodies are breaking down in this life. When we get to heaven, those bodies do not break down like the verse says imperishable! Or never breaks down. So, when we are raised from the dead, we are given these perfect bodies. We will finish today on a promise from God on what we can expect and what will happen to our friends who are having their bodies break down:

1 Corinthians 15:54

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⁵⁴ **When the perishable has been clothed with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality, then the saying that is written will come true: “Death has been swallowed up in victory.”^[a]**

Waiting for the day Death is defeated,

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