The Resurrection and Marriage - Luke 20:27-40

Topics: Angels, Children, Death, Life, Marriage, Questions, Resurrection, Wisdom

Open It

- 1. What do you imagine happens to us after death?
- 2. Why do you think there is so much confusion and controversy about the afterlife in our world today?
- * 3. How have your beliefs in the afterlife changed over the years?

Explore It

- 4. How did Luke describe the Sadducees? (20:27)
- 5. Why did the Sadducees approach Jesus? (20:27)
- * 6. What was the main point of the lengthy story the Sadducees told Jesus? (20:28-33)
 - 7. What controversial question did the Sadducees want Jesus to answer? (20:33)
 - 8. How did Jesus respond to the Sadducees' question? (20:34-35)
 - 9. What is the "age" to which Jesus referred? (20:35)
 - 10. Who is "considered worthy"? (20:35)
- * 11. In the age to come, what did Jesus promise to those who take part in the resurrection of the dead? (20:36)
 - 12. Who is like the angels? (20:36)
 - 13. For what reason did Jesus refer to Moses? (20:37)
 - 14. How did Jesus describe God? (20:37-38)
- * 15. Why did Jesus describe God as "the God of the living"? (20:38)
 - 16. Why did people stop asking Jesus questions? (20:40)

Get It

- 17. How can we guard against misinterpreting Scripture, as the Sadducees did in Jesus' day?
- 18. In what ways can academic or speculative questions hinder our seeking after God?
- 19. Why should we believe in the resurrection of the dead?
- * 20. What makes belief in the resurrection an important Christian belief?
 - 21. How should we respond to the death of a loved one who was a Christian?
 - 22. Why do you think there will be no marriage in heaven?
- * 23. How should the promise of eternal life affect your everyday actions?

Apply It

- * 24. Whom can you encourage with the truth of the resurrection? How?
 - 25. What younger or less knowledgeable Christian could you instruct this week? How?
 - 26. What can you do this week to prepare for people's tough religious questions?