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He will change our lowly bodies to conform to his glory.

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Philippians

3:20-21

**B**rothers and sisters:  
 Our citizenship is in heaven,  
 and from it we also await a savior, the Lord Jesus Christ.  
 He will change our lowly body  
 to conform with his glorified Body  
 by the power that enables him also  
 to bring all things into subjection to himself.

The word of the Lord.

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Thus we shall always be with the Lord.

A reading from the first Letter of Saint Paul to the Thessalonians

4:13-18

**W**e do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters,  
 about those who have fallen asleep,  
 so that you may not grieve like the rest, who have no hope.  
 For if we believe that Jesus died and rose,  
 so too will God, through Jesus,  
 bring with him those who have fallen asleep.  
 Indeed, we tell you this, on the word of the Lord,  
 that we who are alive,  
 who are left until the coming of the Lord,  
 will surely not precede those who have fallen asleep.  
 For the Lord himself, with a word of command,  
 with the voice of an archangel and with the trumpet of God,  
 will come down from heaven,  
 and the dead in Christ will rise first.  
 Then we who are alive, who are left,  
 will be caught up together with them in the clouds  
 to meet the Lord in the air.  
 Thus we shall always be with the Lord.  
 Therefore, console one another with these words.

The word of the Lord.