

1 Corinthians 15: 20-28

A Reading from the First Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians

Brothers and Sisters:

**Christ has been raised from the dead,
the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.**

**For since death came through a human being,
the resurrection of the dead
came also through a human being.**

**For just as in Adam all die,
so too in Christ shall all be brought to life,
but each one in proper order: Christ the firstfruits;
then, at his coming, those who belong to Christ;
then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom
to his God and Father, when he has destroyed
every sovereignty and every authority and power.**

**For he must reign until he has put
all his enemies under his feet.**

**The last enemy to be destroyed is death,
for "he subjected everything under his feet."**

**But when it says that everything has been subjected,
it is clear that it excludes
the one who subjected everything to him.**

**When everything is subjected to him,
then the Son himself will also be subjected
to the one who subjected everything to him,
so that God may be all in all.**

The Word of the Lord