

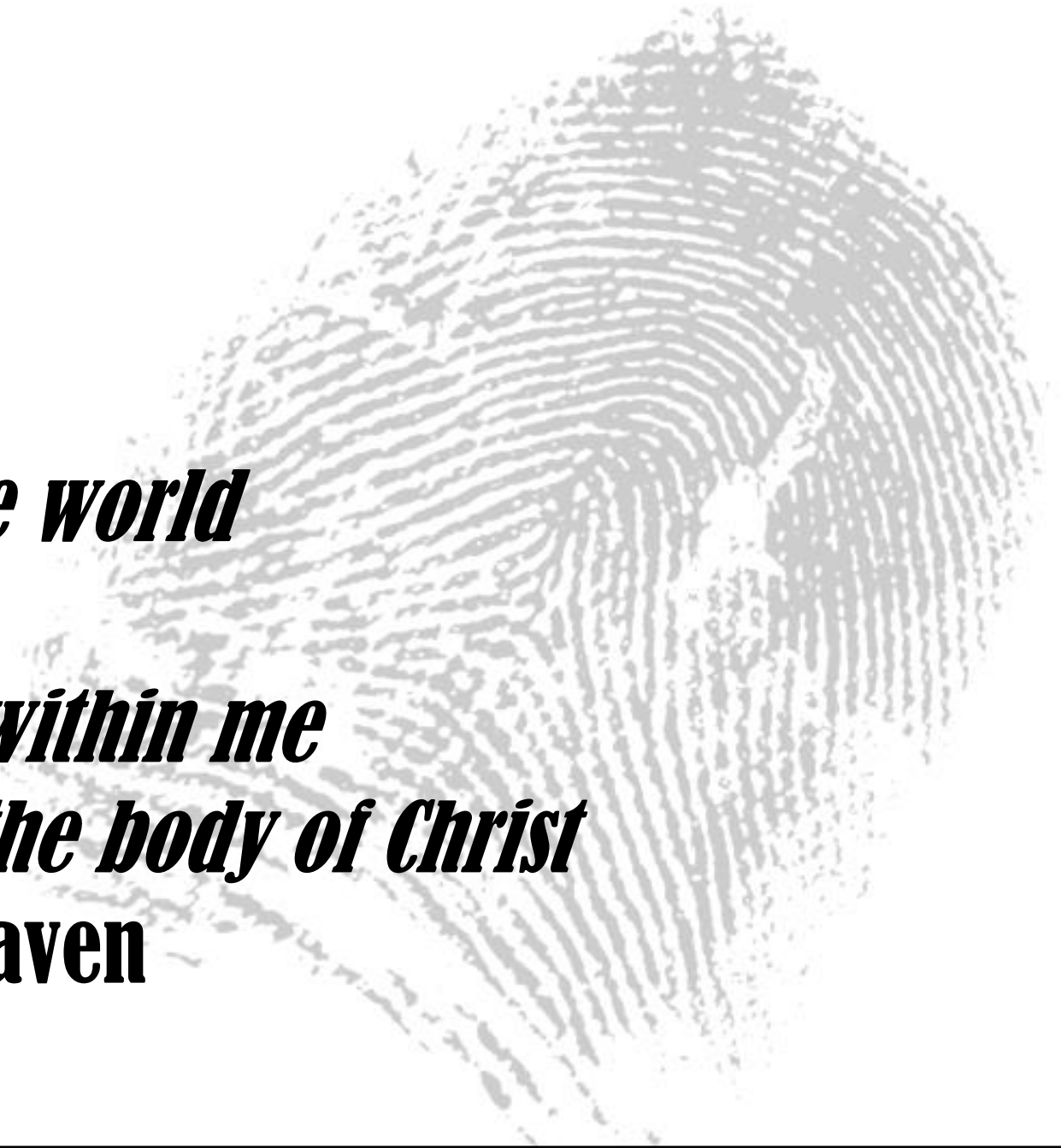


# **Identity**

**I am a Citizen of Heaven**

# Identity

- *I am forgiven*
- *I am God's child*
- *I am the light of the world*
- *I belong to God*
- *I have God's Spirit within me*
- *I am a member of the body of Christ*
- **I am a citizen of heaven**

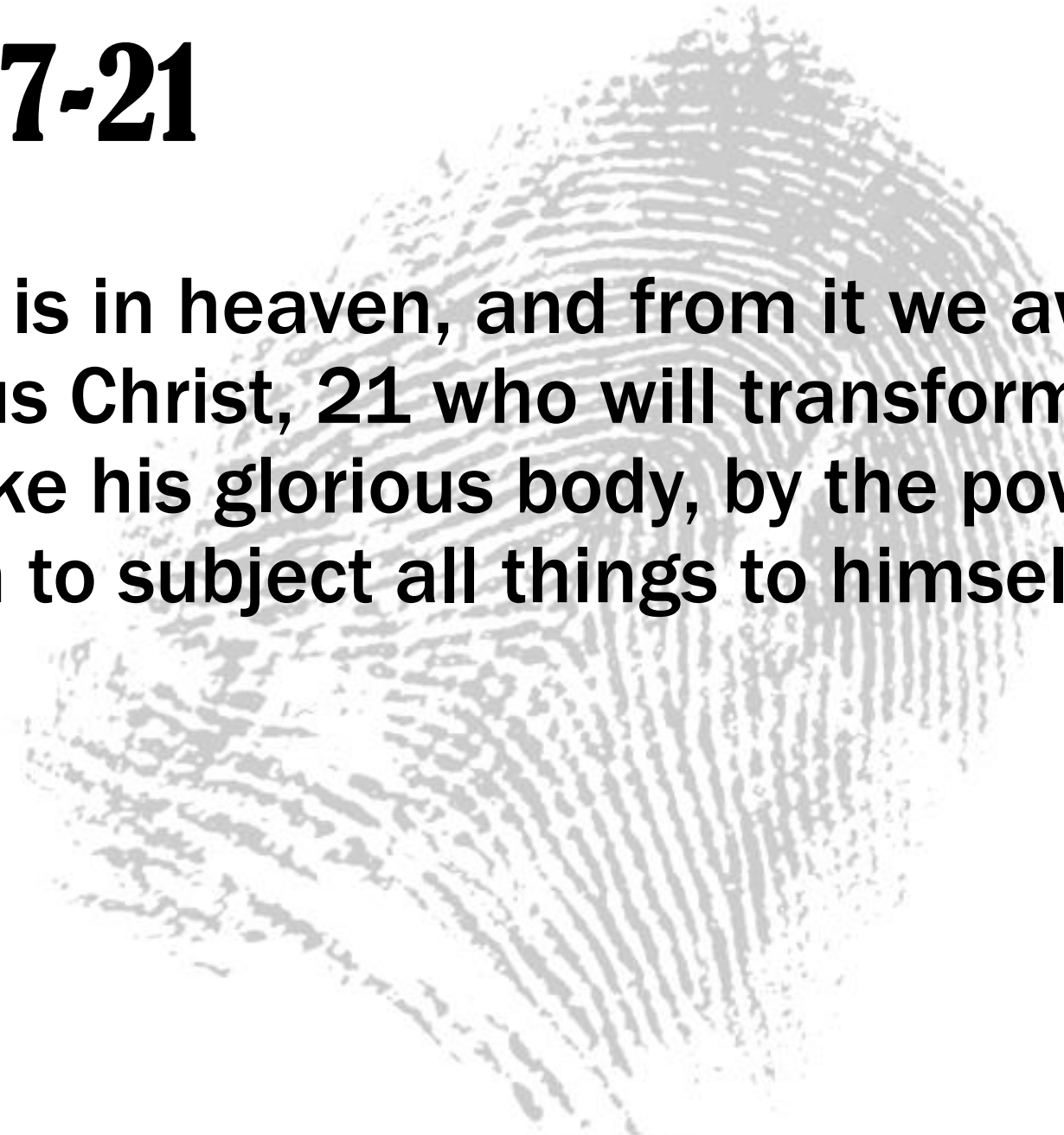


# **Philippians 3:17-21**

**17** Brothers, join in imitating me, and keep your eyes on those who walk according to the example you have in us. **18** For many, of whom I have often told you and now tell you even with tears, walk as enemies of the cross of Christ. **19** Their end is destruction, their god is their belly, and they glory in their shame, with minds set on earthly things.

# **Philippians 3:17-21**

**20 But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, 21 who will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself.**



# **Enemies of the Cross vs Citizens of Heaven**

For many, of whom I have often told you and now tell you even with tears, walk as enemies of the cross of Christ. Their end is destruction, their god is their belly, and they glory in their shame, with minds set on earthly things. **20 But** our citizenship is in heaven... (18-20a)

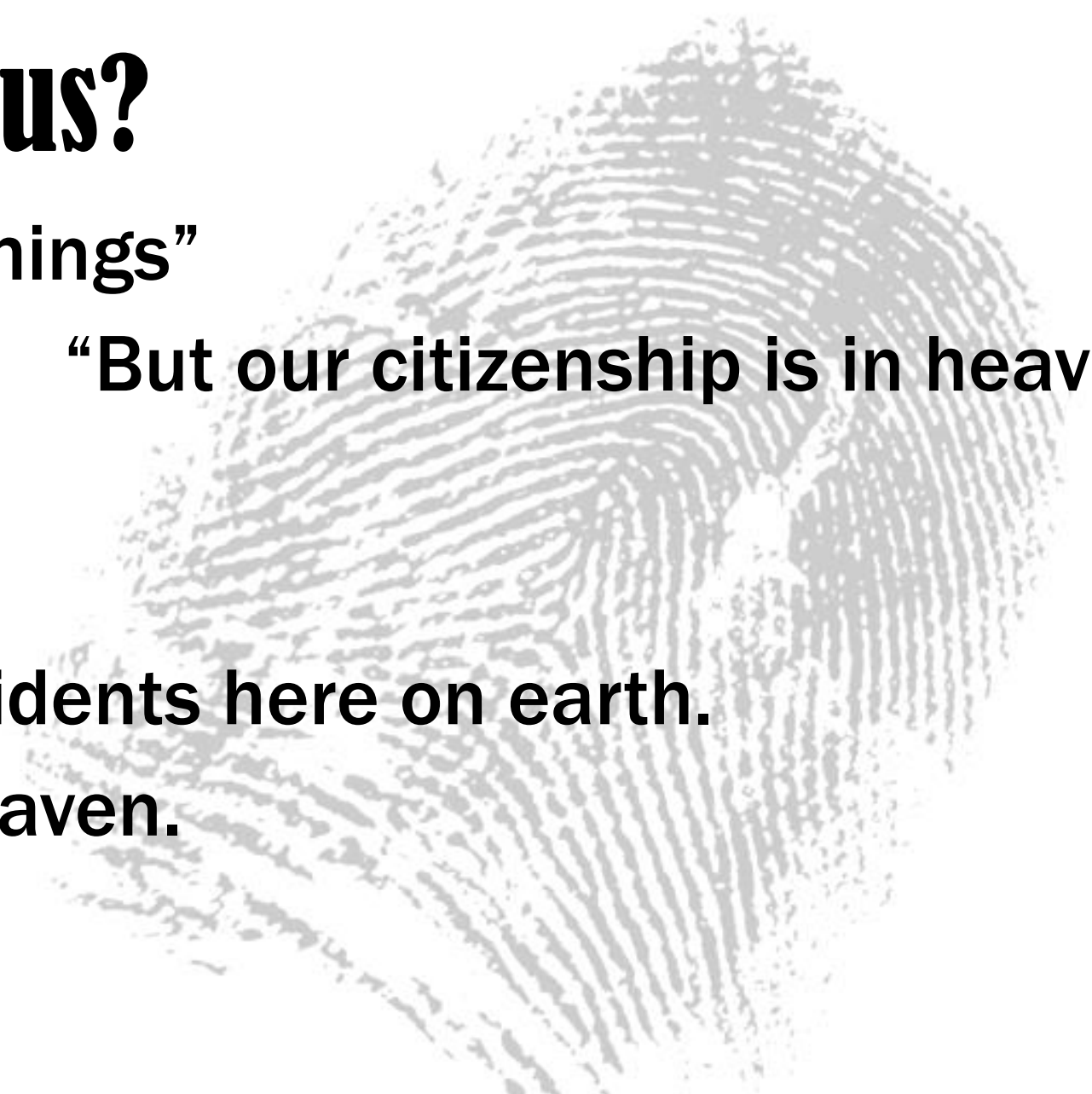
The cross calls us to embrace humility and sacrifice.  
(Phil 2:3-8)

# **What is Our Focus?**

**“mind set on earthly things”**

**“But our citizenship is in heaven”**

**We are temporary residents here on earth.  
Our homeland is in heaven.**



# **What is Our Glory?**

**“they glory in their shame”**

**“we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ”**

**Our Glory: what we boast in, what we celebrate...**

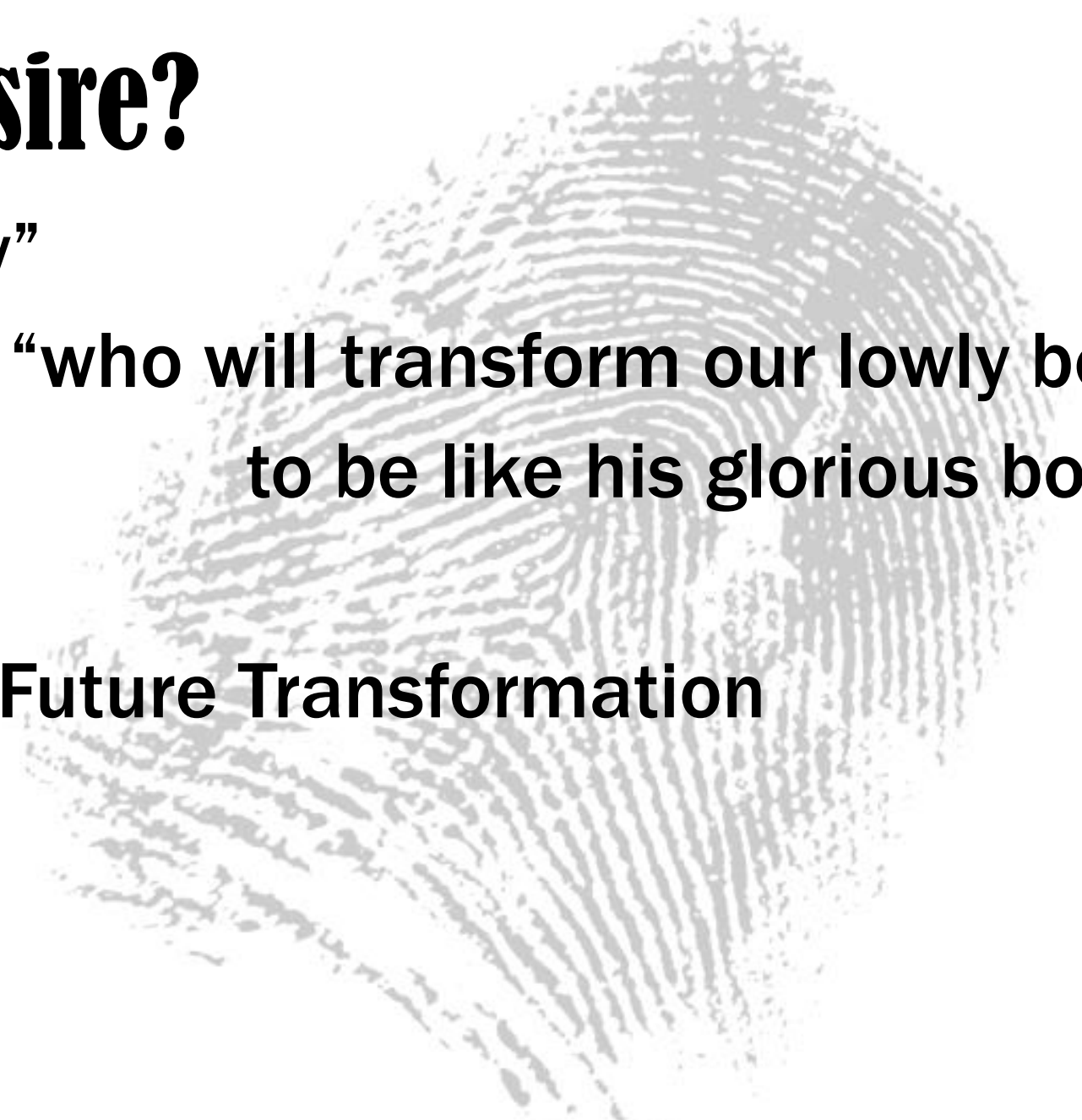
**Waiting for a Savior: living with earnest expectation of Christ's Return!.**

# **What Do We Desire?**

**“their god is their belly”**

**“who will transform our lowly body  
to be like his glorious body”**

**Temporary Desires vs Future Transformation**



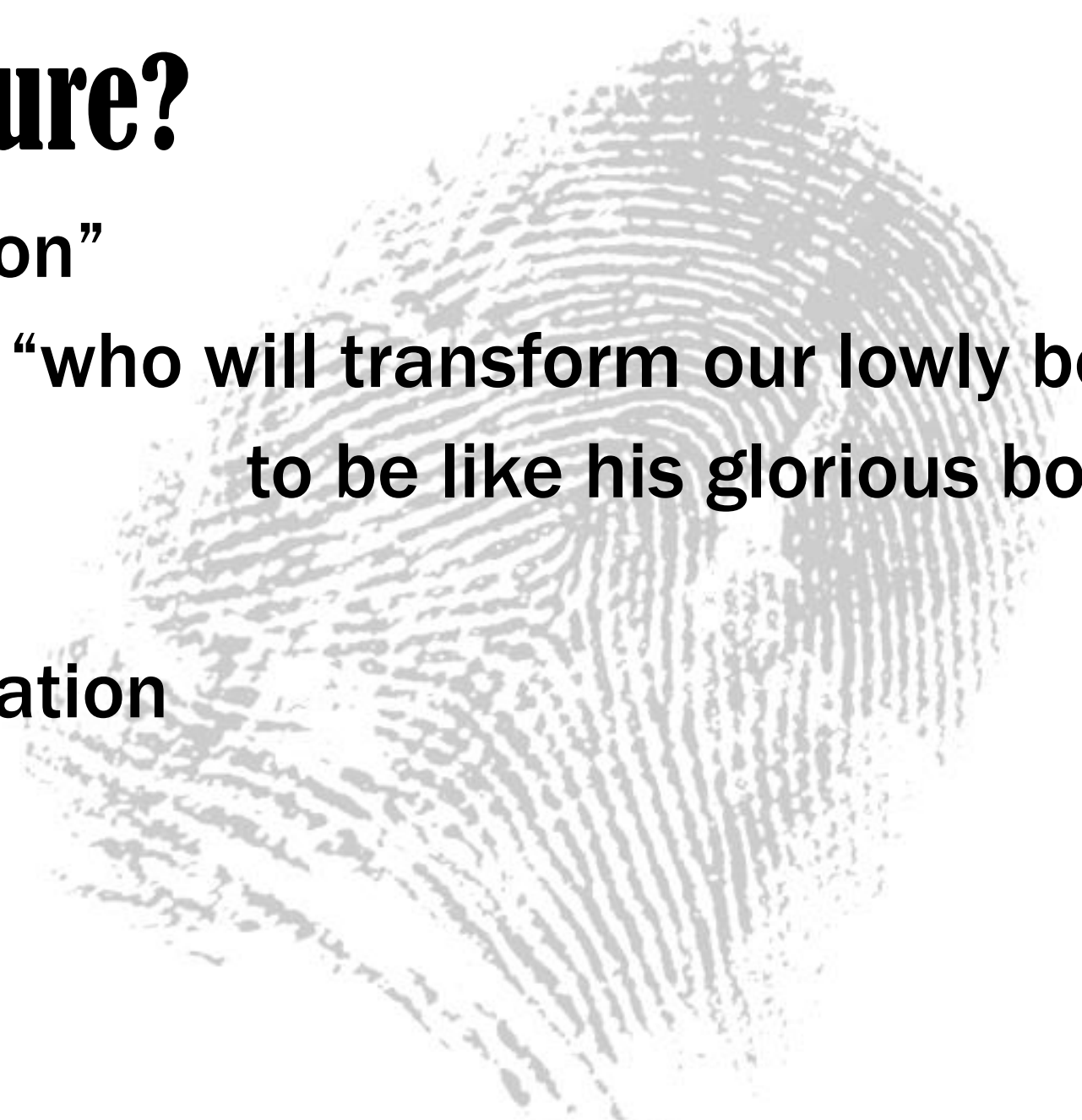


# **What is Our Future?**

**“Their end is destruction”**

**“who will transform our lowly body  
to be like his glorious body”**

**Destruction vs Glorification**



# **Transformed by His Power**

**V21 “who will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself.”**

**Phil 2:9–11 9 Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, 10 so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, 11 and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.**