VICTORY OVER DEATH

Life & Immortality

- I. Jesus came into the earth to destroy the works of the devil-1Jn3:8-For this <u>purpose</u> (intent) was the son of God <u>manifested</u> (appear externally, make visible), that he might <u>destroy</u> (undo, annul, do away with, demolish, dissolve, melt) the works of the devil; CJB-It was <u>for this very reason</u> that the Son of God appeared, <u>to destroy these doings of the Adversary</u>; PH-The Son of God <u>came to earth with</u> <u>the express purpose</u> of liquidating the devil's activities; TP-The reason the Son of God was revealed was to undo and destroy the works of the devil; CEV-To destroy all that he has done; VO-To destroy the plague of destruction inflicted on the world by the diabolical one
 - A. The works of the devil were sin and death-**Rm5:12**-As by one man sin (noun 266) entered into the world, and death by sin (noun), so death passed upon all men for that all have sinned (verb 264)

II. Jesus came into to the earth destroy sin and death

- A. <u>Jesus came to destroy sin-1Jn3:5-He</u> was manifested to take away our sins (singular); **PH**-Became a man for the purpose of removing sin; **MSG**-Christ showed up in order to get rid of sin
 - 1. Sin is not just wrong acts, but it is the nature we take on-Rm5:19-As by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by the obedience of one shall many be made righteous
 - a. <u>Adam's sin made us sinners and that deals with man's nature</u>. The nature of mankind changed-*Ep2:3-We were by nature (species, kind) the children of wrath; Ps51:5-ER-A sinner before I left my mothers womb*
 - b. When Adam sinned he became something (sinner)-The big problem was not what he did but what he became
 - 2. Jesus was manifested to take away our sin nature, not just the wrong acts-1Jn3:5
 - a. <u>Jesus bore the nature of sin-What man did wasn't just laid on him, he came what man became so that man wouldn't have to be what he became-2Co5:21-For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him</u>
 - b. The nature of sin was nailed to the cross-Col2:10-Ye are complete (perfect) in him, which is the head of all principality and power: ¹¹ In whom also ye are circumcised with the circumcision made without hands, in putting off the body of the sins of the flesh by the circumcision of Christ: [AC-The whole corrupt, carnal nature; NLT-Sinful nature] ¹² Buried with him in baptism, wherein also ye are risen with him through the faith of the operation of God, who hath raised him from the dead. ¹³ And you, being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath he quickened together with him, having forgiven you all trespasses; ¹⁴ Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross
 - 1. These focus of these verses is man's spirit-Which part of you is complete in him, has been risen with him, was dead in sin, has been made alive together with him? It's not your body, not your mind, but your spirit
 - 2. The body of the sins of the flesh is the nature of sin that man took on in his spirit because of Adam's sin
 - 3. <u>He nailed the nature of sin to his cross</u>-**2Cor5:21,Jn3:14**-As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up
 - 3. <u>Jesus was not dealing with just the acts of sin, but with the nature of sin that man had</u>-If you deal with the acts and not the nature you'll have a forgiven people with the nature of sin who are still going to hell
 - a. The blood of bulls and goats took care of the acts of sin, but it couldn't change what they were-If they sacrificed the blood of animals God dealt with them like they hadn't sinned
- B. The wages of sin, the cost of that nature is death-If you are a sinner by nature, the payment you owe is death-*Rm6:23*The wages of sin is death; *GW-The payment for sin is death*
 - 1. What kind of death?-Death inside (Col2:13-Dead in our sins); Death outside in a corruptible body that we'll lose to the dust of the earth (Gn3:19-In the sweat of your face shall you eat bread till you return to the ground; for dust you are and unto dust shall you return); Death eternally (Mt25:46-These shall go away into everlasting punishment (torment)
- C. <u>Jesus appeared to abolish death</u>-To do away with death to your spirit, death to your body and eternal death-2Tm1:10-By the appearing of our Savior Jesus Christ who hath abolished death and hath brought life and immortality to light through the gospel; **AC**-Annulled death and made it of no effect; **EX**-He destroyed [broke the power of; abolished] death; **NLV**-He put a stop to the power of death; **TP**-Who has dismantled death, obliterating all its affects on our lives; **VO**-He has wiped out death;

III. How is Jesus going to do this?

- A. The payment we owed was death, somebody has to pay
 - 1. He's going to eat death for us-1Th5:10-Who died for us, that whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with him **Hb2:9**-That he by the grace of God is going to taste death for every man
 - 2. <u>Forgiveness of sin means you don't have to pay the debt owed (death)</u>-To be forgiven I don't owe death-*Co2:13-You being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath he quickened together with him, having forgiven you all trespasses*
- B. It was the whole of him that was an offering for sin, not just his body-It would have been the whole of you that paidIs53:10-Yet it pleased the Lord to bruise (beat to pieces, break, destroy) him; he hath put him to grief: when you shalt make his soul an offering for sin, he shall see his seed, he shall prolong his days, and the pleasure of the Lord shall prosper in his hand. 11 He shall see of the travail of his soul, and shall be satisfied: by his knowledge shall my righteous servant justify many; for he shall bear their iniquities (sin); 12 Therefore will I divide him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he hath poured out his soul unto death (ruin); and he was numbed with the transgressors; and he bare the sin (fault) of many and made intercession (came between) for the transgressors
 - 1. <u>Soul-A.Heb-The</u> whole of a person, body, breath, mind; ST-Vitality; body, breath, ghost, heart, mind, person; TH-The man himself, mind, life, living being, inner being of man; Hebrew word is used 749x, 9x *body*
 - 2. <u>If I want you to be forgiven of what you owe I have to pay what you owe</u>-The wages of sin is death and not just to the body and that price has to be paid for justice to be satisfied
 - 3. <u>He poured his soul out unto death</u>-You pour something out that is inside a container; His soul was inside his body and he poured it out unto death; What do you pour your body out of?
- C. Being resurrected from the dead proves death has no dominion over him-Re1:18-I am he that lives, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive forevermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death
- D. <u>He was the firstborn from the dead</u>-The first to be born from death to life spiritually, the first to have a glorified body-*Col1:18*-He is the head of the body, the church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; *Rm8:29*-Firstborn among many brethren
 - 1. When he was raised from the dead, this was the first man ever like this-Lk24:30-31-He vanished out of their sight. 36 As they thus spake, Jesus himself stood in the midst of them, and saith unto them, Peace be unto you. But they were terrified and affrighted, and supposed that they had seen a spirit. And he said unto them, Why are you troubled? And why do thoughts arise in your hearts? Behold my hands and my feet, that it is I myself: handle me, and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones, as you see me have; Jn20:19-The doors were closed where the disciples were and Jesus came in
- IV. He brought life and immortality to light through the gospel-2Tim1:10-By the appearing of our Savior Jesus Christ who hath abolished death and hath brought life and immortality to light through the gospel; AC-Annulled death and made it of no effect and brought life and immortality (immunity from eternal death) to light through the gospel; EX-He destroyed [broke the power of; abolished] death and through the Good News [Gospel] he showed us the way to have [illuminated; brought to light] life that cannot be destroyed [immortal life; life and immortality]; NLV-He put a stop to the power of death and brought life that never dies which is seen through the good news; PH-Through the gospel, open to us the shining possibilities of the life that is eternal; MOUNCE-Bring to light life and incorruptibility through the gospel
 - A. You can be made new on the inside-2Co5:17-Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new; Jn3:6-7-That which is born of spirit is spirit...you must be born again
 - B. Your body can be glorified-1Cor15:42-So also is the resurrection of the dead. It is sown in corruption; it is raised in incorruption: 43 It is sown in dishonor; it is raised in glory: it is sown in weakness; it is raised in power: 44 It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. 49 And as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly. 52 In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. 53 For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality.
 - 1. We will be just like Jesus, spirit, soul and body-1Jn3:2-Beloved, now we are the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him
 - C. You can enter into life enternal-Mt25:46-These shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal
 - D. <u>Jesus came to rescue that which was perishing</u>-*Lk19:10-For the Son of man is come to seek and to save (deliver, preserve, rescue) that which is lost (perish-wither and decay, waste away; destroy, die)*