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The Message of the Cross

Lesson Two • Colossians 2:13-15

The Triumph of the Cross

On the Cross

At first glance it appeared that Jesus had lost the battle, but in reality Jesus had TRUMPHEd over sin and Satan.

"And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; He [Jesus] will crush your head, and you [Satan] will strike His heel." Genesis 3:15

The Triumph of Jesus on the Cross

1. Jesus Triumphed Over SIN on the Cross!

And you, being dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, He has made alive together with Him, having forgiven you all trespasses, having wiped out the handwriting of requirements that was against us, which was contrary to us. And He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross. Colossians 2:13-14

- The accusation of Satan: GUILTY.
- The penalty of sin: DEATH.
- The verdict of God: FORGIVEN.

2. Jesus Triumphed Over SATAN on the Cross!

Having disarmed principalities and powers, He made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them in it. Colossians 2:15

- Satan was DEFEATED decisively on the Cross.

Three Ways Satan Was Defeated

- 1) Satan's works were DESTROYED by Christ's death.

He who sins is of the devil, for the devil has sinned from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil. 1John 3:8

- 2) Satan was DISARMED and disgraced by Christ's victory.

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- 3) Satan's power of death was BROKEN by Christ's resurrection.

Since the children have flesh and blood, He too shared in their humanity so that by His death He might break the power of him who holds the power of death—that is, the devil—and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by their fear of death. Hebrews 2:14-15

- Satan is DOOMED eternally in the Lake of Fire.

"...now the ruler of this world will be cast out." John 12:31

"...the ruler of this world has been judged." John 16:11

And the devil, who deceived them, was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone where the beast and the false prophet are. And they will be tormented day and night forever and ever. Revelation 20:10

Satan Is Defeated and Doomed

But he is still DANGEROUS.

Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour. Resist him, steadfast in the faith... 1Peter 5:8-9

In the Meantime Till Satan's Final Doom

There is GRACE to live for Jesus Christ.

And the God of peace will crush Satan under your feet shortly. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. Amen. Romans 16:20