

## **Empowering People to Change the World**

# Power in the Blood Resurrection Sunday 2021

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#### 1 Peter 1:17-21

"And if you call on the Father, who without partiality judges according to each one's work, conduct yourselves throughout the time of your stay here in fear;"

 I will talk about this on Tuesday at Wholehearted Men, 6am, right in here! Join us!

"Knowing that you were not redeemed with corruptible things, like silver or gold, from your aimless conduct received by tradition from your fathers, but with the <u>precious blood of Christ</u>, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot."

- Here is a picture of the difference between true Christianity and other religions: money, outward things, and rituals will not save you—only the blood of Jesus on the cross will save you!
- This is what Good Friday was all about! But there's more...
- The POWER of the BLOOD of CHRIST is because of what happened three days later on Resurrection Day.

"He indeed was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you who through Him believe in God, who raised Him from the dead and gave Him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God."

- Jesus completely bled out on Friday! All the blood DRAINED OUT.
- Dead, just like you and me before we began a relationship with Christ.
- You were dead in your sins! Some of you have never discovered the next part.

- Believe in God! This is the ONLY Faith, ONLY Hope.
  - You won't find faith and hope in government—it will let you down.
  - You won't find faith and hope in finances—they could be liquidated overnight.
  - You won't find faith and hope in your health—it could fail overnight.
- At The Road, we have chosen the Jesus way! "The road less traveled!" But we have this FAITH and HOPE in the resurrection power of the blood of Jesus!
- Kingdom Revolution!

There is a battle happening in the 4<sup>th</sup> dimension, and it all revolves around what happened on Good Friday and Easter. Death to Resurrection is the drama of the ages.

#### Revelation 12:7

- There is a war in the heavenlies happening right now.
- Daniel is praying (chapter 10) for 21 days. Archangel Gabriel said he heard his prayer for 21 days, but satanic angels had resisted him the entire time. Two facts: Daniel's prayer got the angels loose—heaven moving. We are much more important than we are aware. Earth is not the center of the universe, but the stage. The unseen world is observing our battle on the earth. The great drama of the ages is what's happening here on earth. Ephesians 6:12 we have a wrestling match with demonic forces in the heavenlies.

### Ephesians 6:12

"For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places."

 We know from several passages in the Bible that Satan has access to the throne of God and that demons are working in the 4<sup>th</sup> dimension to "steal, kill, and destroy" your life.

#### John 10:10

"The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly."

- Satan's name means "the resister, the adversary." He opposes everything of God's blessing, and he resists God's people.
- Satan hates the Church! He hates you!

#### Verses 8-9

- "Satan and demons cannot prevail against God!" Say that.
- But Satan and demons can deceive this world. They are deceptive.
- They are working on this earth to deceive you. Listen, if you are not walking in the power of the Holy Spirit you can be deceived...

#### Verse 10

- Notice the MO of Satan—to <u>accuse you</u>, to <u>ridicule you</u> before God!
   Some of you have felt accused and ridiculed your whole life!
- Satan has one supreme task—accusing the people of God day and night; every thought, weakness, flaw, and motive—and he reports it to God.
- Sin is rebellion! All rebels are the same—they act like nothing has happened. Satan never changes.
- You have been listening to the voice, the scripting of the enemy your whole life. I'm going to show you today how there is POWER IN THE BLOOD to set you free from the clutches of the devil!

- Satan doesn't need your help. Quit critiquing God's children.
   Don't condemn yourself either.
- You are a new creature in Christ. Quit criticizing yourself. You are doing Satan's handiwork. You are God's creation!!
- The Kingdom of God has come! Jesus brought the Kingdom of God to the earth. Look what our passage says: like a four-legged stool...
  - 1. Salvation has come.
  - 2. Strength has come.
  - 3. The Kingdom of God has come.
  - 4. The power and authority of Christ have come.

#### **THROUGH YOU!**

- How do we activate these four legs on the stool of the victorious Christian life? How do we prevail against Satan and demons?
- Now don't miss this!

#### **Verses 11-12**

First, we overcome by the blood of the Lamb.

• Say it, "I overcome Satan by the blood of Jesus."

#### 2 Corinthians 5:21

"For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him."

- Christ became sin for us that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.
- It's all about <u>righteousness</u>. Once you give your life to Christ, you are accepted in the Beloved. The devil has nothing on you! Your spiritual progress will take off.

• Appropriate by faith the righteousness of Jesus Christ in your life. Accept and live out the righteousness of Christ in your life, and you will move into victory! This silences Satan.

#### Matthew 6:33

"But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you."

 His righteousness! Romans 10 - It takes humility to take on the righteousness of Christ and not your own. All our righteousness is just filthy rags! When you come to the place, but then you rely on the love, righteousness of Christ, and the Word of God.

#### **Verses 11-13**

The believers overcame Satan by the blood the Lamb and the word of the testimony.

Second, by the word of your testimony.

Say it, "I can overcome Satan by the blood of the Lamb and the WORD of my testimony."

- The believers on earth can cast down Satan! The devil wants to keep you ignorant. He will fight you in every means possible.
- You have to declare it with your tongue!
- The blood has no power if you don't declare it!

#### Luke 10:18-19

Jesus said, "I saw Satan fall like lightening from heaven. Behold, I give you the authority to trample on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall by any means hurt you."

 Jesus said this after the disciples had gone all over northern Israel and cast out one demon after another—speaking out the Kingdom of God!

- God declared the earth, sky, and animals into existence. Remember *Genesis 1:3*. The phrase, "God said," is mentioned ten times in just the first chapter of Genesis.
- Jesus came declaring the Kingdom of God <u>over 100 times in the Gospels.</u>
- We overcome Satan by "the blood of the Lamb and the word of our testimony!"

#### 2 Corinthians 10:3-5

"For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh. For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds, casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ."

- You can't have an argument without someone speaking out. If you
  are a lawyer in a court room, you have to argue by speaking out truth.
- SPEAK TRUTH OUT! In the same way, we speak out our testimony against the devil. You overcome the enemy by the word of your testimony! You have to speak it out.
- We have the spiritual weapons that enable us to cast down every high thing, even Satan's kingdom in the heavenlies, but we have to use our weapons.
- Ex. Some of you are letting demons overrun your life because <u>you</u> are not fighting back with your tongue! Life and death are in the power of the tongue in the blood of Jesus.
  - Through prayer
  - Through declarations
  - o It must be your personal testimony!
- You testify personally what the Word of God says about what the blood does. Who are you testifying to? Satan. We speak directly to him, and we tell him what the blood of Jesus does for us.

Example: the enemy is ravaging some of your lives, marriages, and homes, because you don't know how to fight with the enemy.

- You testify with what God has done in your life! If you don't have anything, then let's get a testimony starting today!
- Tolerance doesn't work here! No tolerance for the enemy.
- You must know what the Word says about the blood. If not, you can't testify. If you remain ignorant of the Word of God, you will remain captive to Satan. "Take the sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God." (Ephesians 6:17)

It was never the will of God for the judgments on the wicked to fall upon God's people.

Let's apply the blood through our testimony! Here are declarations:

#### Psalm 107:2

"Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, whom He has redeemed from the hand of the enemy."

So, start saying it! If you are redeemed in Christ, start declaring it to Satan.

- Declare your testimony of His love, grace, and power to Satan every day.
- Declare it over your life.
- Declare it over your finances.
- Declare it over your marriage.
- Declare it over your children. No tolerance!

#### 1 John 1:7

"But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin."

Praise the Lord! Thank the Lord!

#### End of the Service:

- Quit tolerating the enemy over your life.
- First come to Jesus and get redeemed.
- If you want to give yourself fully to Christ, come up now!

The whole passage says, "And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death." (Revelation 12:11)

Wholehearted devotion to Christ! If you want to become a wholehearted disciple of Jesus, it will cost you everything!

Quit tolerating the devil and speak it out! Start today. Get baptized next week. We have cards up here if you want to be baptized next week. And guess what? You get a T-shirt!