

THE VICTORIOUS CROSS.

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INTRO.:

A. Read text: Col. 2:9-15.

B. Regarding the text:

1. The cross of Christ brought about a great victory.
 - 1) Note **verse 15**.
 - 2) Jesus had told them of the victory that was to come.
 - a. **Luke 24:7**.
 - b. **1 Corinthians 15:4**.
2. However, His death ushered in God's victory.

DISCUSSION: We will observe several VICTORIES of the Cross of Christ.

I. OVER SIN.

A. Satan would have us look at sin as a normal event in life.

1. He does not want us to see it as it really is.
 - 1) Scripture describes it as DEATH.
 - 2) **1 Tim. 5:6**.
2. But note:
 - 1) **1 Corinthians 15:56-57**.
 - 2) **Romans 6:23** "The wages of sin is DEATH..."

B. Christ's cross was victorious over sin.

1. We do sin (**Romans 3:23**).
 - 1) The cross gave us power over sin.
 - 2) **Romans 6:23; Colossians 1:14**.
2. Those who crucified Him meant His death to be a victory for them. BUT it was rather a victory for Christ.
 - 1) **Titus 2:14**.
 - 2) **Hebrews 5:9; Hebrews 9:12**.

C. Where would we be without the cross of Christ? In sin!

1. When we put on Christ in baptism, we are washed in His cleansing blood.
 - 1) **Romans 5:9**.
 - 2) **Revelation 1:5**.
2. Nothing else can remove the consequence of sin!

II. OVER THE OLD LAW.

A. Many today are still trying to live under the Old Law.

1. **Colossians 2:14**. "Blotting out" = to smear out, that is, obliterate (erase tears, figuratively pardon sin): - blot out, wipe away (Strong's).
2. The Old Testament law was given to Israel (**Leviticus 26:46; 27:34**).

B. The cross of Christ fulfilled the Law of Moses.

1. **Ephesians 2:13-18**.
2. **Hebrews 9:15-17**.
3. **Matthew 5:17**.
 - 1) His death on the cross was part of this fulfillment (**Isaiah 53:7**).
 - 2) His burial, resurrection and ascension were prophesied (**Acts 1:11**).
 - 3) Also, He will come again one day to carry the saved home (**1 Thessalonians 4:13-18**).

III. OVER DEATH.

A. The faithful should have no fear of death (Isaiah 25:8**).**

B. Death has no power over us (Philippians 1:23; 1 Corinthians 15:52-58**).**

IV. CONCLUSION:

A. Because of the victorious cross, we can be victorious.

B. **1 Thessalonians 4:16-17.**