Series: Victory

<u>Title</u>: Victory in Jesus

Text:

God designed you for dominion: (Gen 1:26-31)

You were made for mastery.

God created you to rule and to reign:

(2 Tim 2:11-12) It is a faithful saying: For if we be dead with him, we shall also live with him: 12 If we suffer, we shall also reign with him: if we deny him, he also will deny us:

(Rev 5:10) And hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth.

(Rev 20:6) Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years.

And if you're not ruling, if you're not reigning, if you don't have mastery, if you don't have dominion, if you don't know victory, then you are not living according as God has designed for you to live.

God did not make you to fail.

God did not make you to be intimidated.

God did not make you to be stepped on and misused.

God made you to have dominion.

God gave man rule and control over this earth.

He was to be the master of this earth. (Gen 1:26) let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.

Man was given rule to control and master this world and it's resources.

Man was to have dominion. (Ps 8:4-6) "Thou madest him to have dominion over the works of thy hands; thou hast put all things under his feet:"

Look around you, ask yourself, does man has dominion?

Death & Disease, Hate & War, Crime, Lust, Sorrow,

Disappointment & Despair.

Does it look like man has dominion.

He doesn't have dominion.

He is not an overcomer, He is over come.

He does not have dominion, He is dominated.

How did this happen?

Man's dominion was lost by Adam (Eph 2:1-3)

How did we get to be the children of wrath?

How did we get to be the children of disobedience?

Where did we get this nature?

How is it the devil is called the prince of the power of the air?

How did the devil get to be the prince?

Satan Rebelled against God.

Satan said, "I will be like the most high."

Satan & 1/3 of the angels rebelled, God cast them out.

Satan can't retaliate at God directly.

Satan has to retaliate against those God loves.

Satan tempted Adam/Eve to achieve for themselves on earth what he himself had failed to do in heaven.

Adam and Eve were tempted to be gods.

Satan tempted them to try to be on earth what he himself had failed to do in heaven.

Adam dethroned God, and enthroned Satan.

God gave Adam Dominion as a gift.

Adam was free to give it to whomever he chose.

Satan had no throne in heaven, Satan now has a throne in the heart & mind of mankind.

(Luke 4:4-6) We see Satan flaunting this truth in Jesus' face.

Jesus Called Satan "The Prince of this World." (Jn12:31) (Eph 6:12) For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in

Adam became a servant to Satan:

high places.

(Rom 6:16) Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?

Man's dominion was lost by man & must be recovered by a man.

It cannot be recovered by God acting as God alone.

The dominion was given to a man, it was lost by a man, and it will be legally recovered by a man.

A member of Adam's race must be found upon whom Satan has no claim in order to recover this dominion.

Now all of us are by nature children of wrath. (Eph 2:3)

God must find a man who can recover what Adam lost. He must be of Adam's race. But someone whom Satan has no legal claim to. Since Adam was a slave, all of the sons of Adam are legally slaves. All of the children of Adam are legally slaves. So God had a problem.

God must have a man, but that man cannot be a son of Adam. If he's not a man it cannot be legally recovered, but if he is a son of Adam he is already a slave.

And no slave can redeem a slave.

That is the reason for the incarnation & the virgin birth of the Lord Jesus Christ.

What was legally lost by the First Adam was righteously regained in the 2nd Adam: Jesus Christ:

(1 Cor 15:21-22) For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead. 22 For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

Jesus Christ legally Regained the Dominion for us:

(Gal 4:3-5) Even so we, when we were children, were in bondage under the elements of the world: 4 But when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law, 5 To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons. (Eph 1:18-23)

This is why Satan Tempted Jesus: (Luke 4:1-4)

If he could seduce the 2nd Adam like he did the 1st, all would be lost and under Satan's ownership.

Jesus Had to Overcome Satan as a Man, not as God.

Jesus used the same 2 weapons the 1st Adam had.

(Luke 4:1) The Holy Ghost

(Luke 4:8) The Word of God

The devil battled him in the garden of Gethsemane.

It seemed Jesus would die of agony & of a broken heart, but the Lord Jesus again overcame the devil in Gethsemane

The final battle was on the Cross of Calvary.

Satan pushed Jesus to Calvary thinking he would resist and rebel against the will of God.

The hounds of hell were baying at the feet of Jesus Christ for His blood, but Jesus willingly submitted.

Jesus being innocent died and he paid the full sin debt.

He recovered the lost estate.

He bought back the redemption.

He payed it in full.

Upon the Cross Jesus Shouts "Tetelisti" -it is finished.

Satan's legal claims upon the human race were cancelled & Satan's kingdom was ruined.

(Heb 2:14) Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself likewise took part of the same; that through death **he might destroy him** that had the power of death, that is, the devil;

The word "destroy" here means to render powerless.

The battle is not over yet. Jesus Christ is in the grave.

The devil says,

"If I can keep him in the grave I can win the victory." (Acts 2:22-24)

Jesus of Nazareth, a man approved of God among you by miracles and wonders and signs, which God did by him in the midst of you, (God worked through him as a man)

(Acts 2:24) Whom God hath raised up, having loosed the pains of death: because it was not possible that he should be holden of it.

Satan, with all of the resources of the underworld, did his very best hold the Lord Jesus.

Jesus overcame death by the power of God.

He was raised from the dead

(Rev 1:18) "I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death."

Jesus was victorious.

Jesus now has come to this earth, born of a virgin.

He has lived a sinless life.

He died to pay the ransom in full.

He bought back the lost estate.

He paid with his own blood, for the wages of sin is death.

He was put in the grave.

The devil tried to keep him in the grave.

He was raised by the power of God.

(Col 2:15) "And having spoiled principalities and powers, he made a shew of them openly, triumphing over them in it."

Spoiled means to strip, like you strip the hide from an animal. Or to disarm a defeated foe.

When Jesus Christ came out of that grave,

The kingdom of darkness was thrown into complete bankruptcy & Satan's dominion has dissolved.

That which was legally lost has been righteously recovered. It was lost by a man. - It has been recovered by a man.

It is now available to every man and woman on earth.

(Eph 2:4-6) But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us, 5 Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;) 6 And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus:

Jesus took our sins that we might be innocent.

Jesus became guilty that we might by acquitted.

Jesus took our despair that we might be filled with joy.

Jesus took our shame that we might have his glory.

Jesus took the flames of hell the we might have the blessings of heaven.

Jesus' death had our name on it.

Jesus' resurrection had our name on it.

(Eph 2:5) Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;)

He has been raised up and we are raised up with him.

(Eph 4:8) "Wherefore he saith, When he ascended up on high, he led captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men."
Who was captivity? The devil.

The one who led us captive is now taken captive.

And when Jesus ascended he led captivity captive and gave gifts to men.

(Eph 5:30) "For we are members of his body, of his flesh, and of his bones."

Now, we are a part of the Lord Jesus Christ.

The church is not an organization with Jesus as the president. The church is an organism with Jesus Christ as the head. We are members of His body, of his flesh, and of His bones.

And where is Jesus? He is ascended. He is on high. All things are beneath his feet. He is lifted up far above all dominion and power. (Eph 2:6) *And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus:*

If you're in Adam, all that belongs to Adam belongs to you. (1 Cor 15:22a) For as in Adam all die, What belonged to Adam? Death, Defeat, Decay, Downfall.

We are members of His body, of his bones, of his flesh. (Gal 4:6-7) And because ye are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of his Son into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father. 7 Wherefore thou art no more a servant, but a son; and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ.

Paul wanted us to Understand

(Eph 1:18) *The eyes of your understanding being enlightened*; that ye may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints,

(Eph 1:19-22) And what is the exceeding greatness of his power to us-ward who believe, according to the working of his mighty power, 20 Which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead, and set him at his own right hand in the heavenly places, 21 Far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come: 22 And hath put all things under his feet, and gave him to be the head over all things to the church, 23 Which is his body, the fulness of him that filleth all in all.

All that Christ has, we are have access to also.

All the dominion.

All the Power.

All the Victory.

It is glorious given to the sons of men. If you let the devil take authority over you. If you let the devil boss you it is b/c he has blinded you.

Our Victory Begins with Salvation:

(Rom 8:9)

We Receive the Indwelling Holy Spirit at Salvation.

When did you get saved?

When did you realize that you are a sinner?

A sinner that deserving of God's punishment?

When did you call out to Jesus and admit to him you were a sinner and asked Him to forgive you and save you? When did you believe on his death to pay for your sin?

Here is where the Spirit of God indwells you. (Rom 8:11)
Here is where we now have access to all that Christ has.
(Rom 8:17) 17 And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together.

We have Victory in Jesus:

Through the indwelling Holy Spirit & The word of God The Same to weapons that gave Jesus the Victory will give us the Victory too.

Jesus wants us to live in Victory:

(John 10:10) The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.

Jesus wants us to experience the Fulness of Joy:

(Ps 16:11) Thou wilt shew me the path of life: in thy presence is fulness of joy; at thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore.

Jesus wants us to be free from the chains that bind us. (In 8:31-32) Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed; 32 And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.

True Victory is to be free from the Power of Sin in our lives. (Rom 6:14) For sin shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace.

All that Jesus has purchased with His blood is ours to have and use as a part of His body.

Come and ask God to start the process of Freeing you to Victory!