

Beyond the Sermon

A Sermon Application Guide

Title: Jesus: Our Victor (Deliver Us from Evil pt 4)

This guide offers a simple tool for those wanting to take the next step with Sunday's message. You can print this guide to study on your own or use it in a group and experience transformation together.

Message Theme

You're Not the Biggest Loser

Prayer Focus

Father God, I pray that You'll open my eyes to all the incredible blessings You've given me. Your tremendous sacrifice covered every past and future mistake. Please teach me to accept this free gift, walk in faith, and live a life that honors You. In Jesus' Name, amen.

Key Truths

God sent His only Son to Earth to destroy the works of the enemy. According to the Bible, Jesus redeemed us by paying the highest price, a price we can never repay.

There are two kingdoms: the Kingdom of God and a demonic kingdom. The world is under the sway of the Devil, but God called us to repent and change how we live, inviting us to be a part of His Kingdom. The precious blood of Jesus brought us back from Satan's domain. Now, we can seek first the Kingdom of God. Christ did everything we needed Him to do; this is the Gospel. Instead of praying for God to show up, we can ask Him to open our eyes to what He's already done.

"Religion" is vastly different than true Christianity. Religion is mankind trying to reach for God, but Christianity is God reaching out to us; it's about what *He* did. This is the fundamental difference that sets Christianity apart. Thankfully, we don't have to do anything to get God's attention. Putting our faith in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ allows us to participate in the Gospel.

When Paul received Christ, Jesus first told him about his inheritance. We don't acquire our inheritance from God when we die; we became eligible to accept it when *He* died. We inherited forgiveness, healing, peace, grace, and the renewing of our youth. We can never qualify for the blessings of God through our works, but our Father qualified us by being a part of His Kingdom. There's a list of laws and rules the people of God had to follow in the Old Testament, but in the New Testament, Jesus fulfilled those laws and conditions for us. God desires to bless us precisely as if we were Jesus. The power of God that raised Christ from the dead is working through us and in us.

Practical Application

The most important thing we can do is prioritize seeking the Kingdom of God. By placing God first in all aspects of our lives, we can demonstrate to our loved ones, friends, and colleagues that the Kingdom of God is more significant than our personal desires. The most crucial commandment we've received is to love the Lord. The second is to love others as we love ourselves. (Matthew 22:36-40)

Jesus' death and resurrection grants us victory over sin, death, and the devil. We are no longer part of the kingdom of darkness, but rather part of the Kingdom of God. Here's how to start living in this victory:

- 1. **Seek the Kingdom of God first:** This means prioritizing your relationship with God and living according to His will. Reflect on how you spend your time and energy. Are there adjustments you can make to be more involved in your local church or to spend more focused time studying your Bible?
- 2. **Recognize that you are redeemed:** You've been rescued from the darkness and brought into the Kingdom of Light. This means that sickness, fear, and other negativity do not have dominion over you. Instead, boldly claim the inheritance you have received through Jesus Christ. This inheritance includes peace, healing, and deliverance.
- Increase your knowledge: Regularly studying the Bible will equip you with the knowledge of God and what Jesus has purchased for you. The more you understand the power you have through Christ, the stronger your faith will be to receive those benefits.

Instead of asking God to appear, we can believe He already has. Receive what God has done for you and thank Him for it.

Remember, this change won't happen overnight. Be patient with yourself, and trust that God is working in your life. The more you surrender to Him and apply these principles, the more you'll experience the fullness of the abundant life Jesus promises!

Reference Verses

- 1 John 3:8, 5:19
- Romans 1:16, 4:25, 3:25
- 2 Corinthians 5:21
- Ephesians 2:2, 1:16-20
- 1 Peter 1:18-19
- Acts 20:28, 26:17-18
- Matthew 6:33, 22:37-40
- Colossians 1:12-13, 2:6
- John 10:10, 8:34
- Psalms 103:2-5
- 2 Peter 1:2-4

Declarations

God has a plan for me and has prepared good works for me.

I've been delivered from darkness and transferred to the Kingdom of God.

Christ paid for my past and future sins, and I can access my God-given inheritance.

What's Next?

Now it's time to write down anything the Lord has spoken to you. Praise Him, thank Him, and ask the Holy Spirit to help you walk this out.

Scripture References

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1 John 3:8 NKJV ...that He might destroy the works of the devil.

Romans 1:16 NKJV For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God...

2 Corinthians 5:21 NKJV For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.

Romans 4:25 NKJV ...who was delivered up because of our offenses, and was raised because of our justification.

Romans 3:25 KJV Whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation through faith in his blood...

Ephesians 2:2 NKJV ... in which you once walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit who now works in the sons of disobedience...

- **1 John 5:19 AMPC** We know [positively] that we are of God, and the whole world [around us] is under the power of the evil one.
- **1 Peter 1:18 NKJV** ...knowing that you were not redeemed with corruptible things, like silver or gold, from your aimless conduct...
- **1 Peter 1:18-19 NKJV** 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 precious blood of Christ...

Matthew 22:37-40 NKJV Jesus said to him, "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets."

Malachi 2:15 NKJV That He might seek a godly seed!

Acts 20:28 NKJV ... to shepherd the church of God which He purchased with His own blood.

Colossians 1:13 KJV Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son...

Colossians 1:13 Jordan It was the Father who sprang us from the jailhouse of darkness, and turned us loose in the new world of His beloved Son.

Colossians 1:13 TLB For he has rescued us out of the darkness and gloom of Satan's kingdom and brought us into the Kingdom of his dear Son...

John 10:10 NKJV The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy.

1 Peter 5:8-9 NKJV ...the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour. Resist him, steadfast in the faith...

2 Corinthians 5:14 NKJV ... One died for all, then all died...

Colossians 1:12 NKJV ...giving thanks to the Father who has qualified us to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in the light.

Acts 26:17-18 NKJV ...now send you, to open their eyes, in order to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan to God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and an inheritance among those who are sanctified by faith in Me.'

Ephesians 1:16-18 NKJV ...do not cease to give thanks for you, making mention of you in my prayers: that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give to you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him, the eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that you may know what is the hope of His calling...

Ephesians 1:18-19 NKJV ...what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints, and what is the exceeding greatness of His power toward us...

Colossians 2:6 NKJV As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him...

2 Peter 1:2 NKJV Grace and peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord...

Mark 4:24 NKJV Then He said to them, "Take heed what you hear. With the same measure you use, it will be measured to you; and to you who hear, more will be given.