

# From Defeat to Victory

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## **Rom.5:12-21 – From one man, Adam... by one man, Jesus**

### Wisdom and Revelation for Receiving

- How to manifest the Victory
  - If you believe but cannot get it. Why?
    - You don't understand at the heart level, yet
    - Keep moving, you are in the way
- **Eph.1:17-20** – Wisdom and Revelation about the love of God to know His power
- Jesus operated fully as a man
  - He was tired, had physical needs and was tempted as you are in any way - **Heb.4:15**

### The Fallen State

- **V.12** – A Statement about the results of Adam's sin
  - All sinned = ALL MISSED THE MARK, just like Adam did
  - **Rom.2:12-16** – As many sinned without the law perished without the law
    - What separated man from God after Adam sinned is FEAR of not being good enough and rejection (**Fallen State = FEAR NATURE**)
    - **1Jn.4:15-18** – What the fear of God's punishment will do to you
      - + If you fear that God will pour out his wrath on you, you will not trust God and have torment
      - + YOU CANNOT KNOW AND FEEL THE LOVE OF GOD (and vice versa)
    - People who trusted God were accepted and considered righteous (before the law: Abel, Enoch, Adam, etc)
    - **Heb.2:14-15** – Subject to bondage by the Fear of Death
      - + If fear is ruling you, you are in bondage, you have a sinner's nature and you will be sinning
      - + Every decision you make is based on fear and will bring more lack and death

### Religion vs. the Spirit

- RELIGION CENTERS ALL OUR FEARS ON GOD and separates us from God
  - **Rom.8:1** – **NO CONDEMNATION IN CHRIST, GOD IS FOR US, NOT AGAINST US**
- **V.13-14** – The evidence of verse 12
- **V.15-16** – Not the same for Jesus' work
- **V.21** – Sin ruled in Death, Righteousness rules in Life
  - **HIS VICTORY OVER THE GATES OF HELL (HADES) IS MY VICTORY, 1Cor.15:55-57**
  - **HIS RESURRECTION IS MY RESURRECTION** – Importance of Water Baptism

## **Rom.12:1-3 – A Continuous Transformation Process**

### Preaching “How to be” not what we “Ought to be”

- We are designed for ABUNDANT LIFE – **Jn.10:10**
  - That is why we seek pleasure and avoid pain
  - Bible provides Solutions
- Difference of
  - What the Scriptures say
  - How we hear – **Lk.8:18**
    - We hear what allows us to stay comfortable and keeps the status quo
- Repent to enter the Kingdom of Heavens
  - **Mt.3:2** – REPENT = CHANGE YOUR MIND
  - **Mt.18:3** – Be Converted and become as little children

### Our Destiny –To Be Like Jesus

- **Rom.8:29-31** – PREDESTINED (NOT INDIVIDUALLY)
  - Human race to be TRANSFORMED into the likeness of Jesus
  - We are all called
  - This is not changing your behavior and becoming a better person

- This belief will make you religious and work oriented
  - Produces self-righteousness when you succeed and torment when you fail
- We cannot change through our mind efforts
  - **Jer.13:23** – Can a leopard lose its spots, or can you change the color of your skin?
  - **Lk.15:7** – Change is so rare and shocking that angels rejoice about it
  - It is difficult for humans to change, not because we cannot but because we don't want to
- **JESUS IS THE ONLY WAY**
  - **Eph.1:4, 2Tim.1:9, 1Pet.1:19-21** – Jesus was pre-ordained before the foundation of the World
- **LIKE JESUS, NOT LIKE ADAM**
  - ***I AM IN THE PROCESS OF BECOMING LIKE JESUS***
  - **Isa.12:1-3** – Draw water out of the wells of salvation (yeshua)
  - **Jn.7:38** – From your belly - Rivers of living water
    - ***FROM MY HEART AND MY BELIEFS I CAN DRAW LIFE POWER***

## Questions to Consider

1. What does impatience to see results implies?
2. Why it is important to understand that Jesus operates as a man?
3. Please explain how fear is the base of the fallen nature and death.
4. Please explain the implications of Rom.8:1.
5. Why can we say that we were created for abundant life?
6. What do you understand when we read that “now we are like Him, in this world”?