



VICTORY IN JESUS

SCRIPTURAL LESSON: *I Corinthians 15:51-58*

GOSPEL TRUTH:

The Apostle Paul writes to the Corinthian church, “*So also is the resurrection of the dead. It is sown in corruption; it is raised in incorruption: It is sown in dishonor; it is raised in glory: it is sown in weakness; it is raised in power: It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. There is a natural body, and there is a spiritual body*” (*I Corinthians 15:42-44*). He speaks of the great transformation, and mankind’s victory over death, hell, and the grave. Today, we anxiously await the soon coming return of Jesus Christ to rapture His waiting Bride, the Church saying, “Come up Hither” (*I John 5:4; Revelation 4:1*).

GOLDEN SCRIPTURE:

But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ (I Corinthians 15:57).

THE APOSTOLIC FAITH CHURCH DOCTRINES:

1. Our faith in Jesus Christ helps us to overcome the world (*Philippians 1:27, 4:1; I John 5:4*).
2. The Lord Jesus Christ gives believers His Holy Spirit, to live a life above sin (*Matthew 24:12-13; Romans 6:13; I John 5:17-19*).
3. We believe the Gospel good news as preached by our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ (*Mark 1:14-15, 16:15-18; John 3:1-7; Acts 2:36-38, 4:12*).
4. We are blessed when we follow Jesus Christ, and His Word, the *Bible* (*John 15:15-16; I Corinthians 1:27-29; II Thessalonians 2:13-14*).

5. Being born again in the name of Jesus Christ, and filled with His Holy Spirit brings victory in Jesus (*Matthew 24:14; Mark 16:15-18; Acts 1:8; II Thessalonians 2:15-17*).

BACKGROUND SETTING:

Paul taught the Corinthian saints about the resurrection of Jesus Christ. The Christian faith never views life as ending with death, because there is life after death, and we can look out yonder into eternity. However, our earthly life must be a time of preparation, and service to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ to be blessed by Him for living a life above sin. Therefore, mankind must accept Jesus Christ’s plan of salvation and good news that Jesus saves, Jesus heals, Jesus baptizes with the Holy Ghost and with Fire, and Jesus is coming soon. Hence, Paul writes, “*Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed*” (*I Corinthians 15:51-52*).

LESSON SUMMARY:

Paul warns mankind of the imminent, and impending return of Jesus Christ for His Church, and how we shall all be changed, “*For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory*” (*I Corinthians 15:53-54*).

Our victory is through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ who was resurrected over death, hell, and the grave. Having Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior also gives us the victory over death, hell, and the grave, and we will become more than conquerors through our Lord Jesus Christ who loves us. Be ye blessed with “Victory in Jesus Christ!”

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