

Sermon Notes: "When Death is Destroyed" 1 Cor 15:20-26 (2-20-22)

I. Law and Gospel

- The first fact to note is that the reality of death is the reality of God's

_____ . (vs 20-22)

- The world denies the awfulness and unwanted

_____ of death in our personal lives, family, friends and the world... as if death is not the reality.

- If people and societies and governments take _____ out of the view of our lives, then all is random, mindless evolution. Then death is a natural process; and the strongest wins. Without God, there is no final justice and what is "good" only belongs to the strongest. (15:32)

- God's Word teaches that death is the result of _____

- All people are sinners measured to God's Law and all

_____ deserve to die. Sin brings death.

- The second fact to note is that in Jesus Christ God offers to give

_____ of sin and true _____ .

- There also is no distinction between people in this

_____. No matter race, economic status, education, gender God offers forgiveness and life to all people through Jesus.

II. It is vitally important to constantly teach, remember and celebrate

Jesus' _____, because Jesus' victories are the true and splendid reality that God offers to all people! (vs 23-26)

- Victory over _____.

John 1:29 The next day he [John the Baptizer] saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!

John 19:28-30 After this, Jesus, knowing that all was now finished, said (to fulfill the Scripture), "I thirst." A jar full of sour wine stood there, so they put a sponge full of the sour wine on a hyssop branch and held it to his mouth. When Jesus had received the sour wine, he said, "It is finished," and he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

- Victory over _____ and all _____.

Luke 4:31-35 And he went down to Capernaum, a city of Galilee. And he was teaching them on the Sabbath, and they were astonished at his teaching, for his word possessed authority. And in the synagogue there was a man who had the spirit of an unclean demon, and he cried out with a loud voice, "Ha! What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God." But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent and come out of him!" And when the demon had thrown him down in their midst, he came out of him, having done him no harm.

- Victory over _____.

1 Corinthians 15:26 The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

III. Jesus has promised to change us to have strong, healthy and eternal

_____ and _____. This reality is our daily life.
(John 14:1-7)