



VICTORY
EASTER SUNDAY

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Read Acts 26:23-26. King Agrippa's silent response confirms Jesus' resurrection. Leon Morris says, "the resurrection is the public display of the victory, the triumph of the Crucified One." When you trust in Christ, Jesus comes to live in us and union takes place. In this, Jesus brings to us VICTORY. As an icebreaker, using one word, describe the VICTORY you have been recently experiencing in Jesus (eg: hope, peace, justified, etc).

Read Romans 6:4-14. *In our union with Jesus through faith, we have victory over the tyranny of sin.* We are to consider ourselves dead to sin but alive in Christ; sin will have no dominion over us. This is significant because if we commit a sin it is because we have chosen to do so. If you feel comfortable, share what areas of your life you still struggle with sin. What are effective strategies in your life that help you to make good "choices"?

Ephesians 1:20-21, Ephesians 2:4-6, Revelation 12:10,11, Ephesians 6:12-13, 1 Peter 5:8-9a. *In our union with Jesus through faith, we have victory over the authority of Satan.* Christ is seated above all things, which means He is in authority over all things. As well, He has seated us with Him in spiritual authority, which means we are not helpless against Satan & every wicked or evil spirit. In what ways do you live in light of this truth? How does this truth manifest itself in your life?

Read John 11:25, 1 John 5:11-12, 2 Corinthians 5:1-8, 1 Corinthians 15:53-57. *In our union with Jesus through faith, we have victory over the finality of death.* In what ways does your eternal life impact the way you live your life now? Are there any changes you would make?

Read 1 Corinthians 15:58. There are 2 ways we can live in the victory of the resurrection. Firstly, *we stand firm in trusting Christ.* What are some of the disciplines you practice to remain steadfast in the Lord?

Another way we live in resurrection victory is we stay active in serving Christ, throwing ourselves into the work of the Lord. Some ways we do that is feed the hungry, freeing the oppressed, helping the poor., etc What are some of the ways you currently serve? In what new ways do you sense God leading you to serve?