



The Lamb Who Overcomes

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Main Passage: John 1:29-34

1) Behold the Lamb

[Lev. 4:32; Exod. 12:5, 22, 46; 1 Pet. 1:18-21]

- John the Baptist's ministry was growing, but he knew that his role in God's plan was to prepare the way for Jesus' earthly ministry. The moment Jesus steps into the crowd of followers of John the Baptist, he wanted all eyes on Jesus and boldly proclaims who Jesus is and why Jesus had come.

A. You cannot hold onto your sins and have them taken away by Jesus. In your own words, explain what true repentance and faith look like in the life of a believer.

B. Jesus said that John the Baptist was the greatest man who ever lived (Matt. 11:11), yet John did not feel worthy to untie the sandal of Jesus (Matt. 3:11). How does John the Baptist's willingness to step aside and point others to Jesus challenge your understanding of humility and your role in God's plan for your calling, ministry, and disciple-making? _____

2) The Lamb Who Overcomes

[John 20; Rev. 5:2-7; Rev. 17:14]

- Jesus didn't just spill His blood on the cross, but He died and rose again on the third day to show His power and glory. He is the conquering Lion and the victorious Lamb who was slain and is the only One who is worthy to open the seal.

C. In what ways does the resurrection demonstrate Christ's victory over sin, death, and Satan, and how should that shape the believer's faith and assurance?

3) The Necessity of the Resurrection

[1 Cor. 15:19]

- Without the resurrection, Christianity would be meaningless. The resurrection is the keystone that holds the Christian faith in place, which gives us eternal comfort and hope.

D. Why does your belief in the resurrection bring you comfort and hope, especially when experiencing suffering or a trial? _____

E. 1 Peter 3:15 tells us that we should always be ready to give a reason for our hope. Who can you share that reason with this week? _____

4) Resurrection Evidence

- Not only do we have credible eye-witness accounts of the resurrection in the scriptures, but non-Christian historians cannot deny the impact the resurrection had on the spread of Christianity throughout the world, as the church grew in great numbers and has for thousands of years. Many Christians in the 1st century gave their lives in martyrdom for the truth of the person, work, and words of Jesus Christ.

F. What does the early church's endurance under persecution reveal about God's faithfulness and the fulfillment of His redemptive plan? _____

G. How does the reality of martyrdom in the early church inform and influence your understanding of discipleship, suffering, and participation in Christ's life and resurrection? _____