

# Victory in Jesus

**TEXT:** 1 Cor. 15:50-57

## **INTRODUCTION:**

- A. SOME CONTESTS IMPORTANT, SOME NOT.
- B. THE GREATEST CONTEST -- A **MUST WIN SITUATION!**
- C. VICTORY **IN JESUS**( 1 Cor. 15:57 ).
- D. **IN CHRIST** WE HAVE VICTORY OVER:

### **I. SORROW.**

- A. **Job 14:1; 1 Thess. 4:13-14.**
- B. **2 Cor. 1:3-11.**

### **II. MEN.**

- A. GOD IS WITH US( **Heb. 13:5-6** ).
- B. **Rom. 8:31; Matt. 10:28.**

### **III. DEATH.**

- A. **Job 14:14.** "IF A MAN DIE, WILL HE LIVE AGAIN?"
- B. **1 Pet. 1:3; Heb. 2:14-15.**
- C. **2 Cor. 4:13-14.**

### **IV. SIN.**

- A. TEMPTATION.
  - 1. Jesus understands( **Heb. 2:18; 4:15** )
  - 2. He provides escape( **1 Cor. 10:13; 2 Pet. 2:9** ).
  - 3. Faith is the victory( **1 John 5:4-5; Eph. 6:16; Rom. 10:17** )
- B. WHEN MAN SINS.
  - 1. All sin( **Rom. 2:23** ).
  - 2. Death( **6:23** ).
  - 3. Man can't save himself on his own merit( **Eph. 2:8-9** ).
  - 4. We are redeemed to victory( **1 Pet. 1:18-19** ).
- C. WHEN CHRISTIANS SIN.
  - 1. Paul's dilemma( **Rom. 7:21-25** ).
  - 2. Live by the Spirit( **Rom. 8:1-4** ).
  - 3. **1 John 1:6-7.** Involves repentance, coming out of the dark.

## **CONCLUSION: PAUL'S CHALLENGE ( 1 Cor. 15:58 ).**

- A. NO VICTORY WITHOUT CONFLICT.
- B. WE MUST BE **STEDFAST, UNMOVABLE.**
- C. LABOR IS FOLLOWED BY VICTORY.
- D. OUR TRIUMPH IS IN CHRIST( **2 Cor. 2:14** ).
- D. ARE YOU IN CHRIST?