

Jesus Came to Break Satan's Power Series: Why Did Jesus Come? (#4) Hebrews 2:14-15; Selected Scriptures Lyle L. Wahl December 18, 2022

The last thing we talk about.

1. The fact of death.

(14-15; 9:27; Genesis 2:17; 3:1-3; Psalm 49:6-20; Ecclesiastes 2:14-16; Ezekiel 18:4; Romans 5:12; 6:23)

2. The fear of death. (14-15)

Christ rendered Satan powerless.

1. Satan's "power of death."

(14-15; see also Genesis 2:17; 3:1-3; Deuteronomy 32:39; Isaiah 25:8; Matthew 10:28; Luke 12:4-5; Hebrews 9:27; Revelation 1:17-18; 20:14-15)

2. Christ's destruction of Satan's power.

(14-15; see also Genesis 3:15; Isaiah 25:8; Acts 2:24; 1 Corinthians 15:25-26, 54-55; 2 Timothy 1:10; 1 John 1:2; 3:8; 5:13; Revelation 20:10)

3. The believer's freedom from the fear of death.

(14-15; see also Psalm 23:1-6; 39:4; 90:10, 12; Luke 12:4-5; John 3:14-16; 14:1-3; Romans 6:23; 8:28-35; 1 Corinthians 15:50-58; Revelation 7:17; 21:1-4)

In My Life This Week

As you use this daily guide, write out your observations and responses on a separate piece of paper and save them with this sheet for reference.

Monday. Death may be *the last thing we talk about*. And yet it comes to all of us. Christ came to die to break Satan's power, including the power of death. Think about your death. What questions and fears do you have? Are you ready for this unbreakable appointment?

Tuesday. Christ came "so that through death He might render powerless him who had the power of death, that is, the devil" (14). In what way does Satan have and use the power of death? Check the Bible references in the outline on this and any notes you made on Sunday.

Wednesday. Christ broke, set aside, abolished the powers of Satan when He came as one of us, died for us, and was raised from the dead. Review the Scripture references in the outline. Thank God that Satan no longer had the right to enslave and destroy you by the fear of death, or by any of his works.

Thursday. Read Hebrews 2:5-18, noting the emphasis on Christ taking on humanity in order to be our Savior and free us from death, sin and Satan's power. Several grand and reassuring statements are listed in the outline under the last point. Read, pray and praise through several of them. For example, personalize Psalm 23 for yourself in light of its ultimate fulfillment being possible because of Jesus.

Friday–Saturday. Christmas is almost here when we celebrate Christ's birth and His delivering us from bondage. Are there family, friends and neighbors you can bring with you to our Christmas Eve or Christmas Morning services?