



AN
Overcoming
HOPE

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The Death of Death: "He Has Risen!"
Mark 16:1-8

Jesus has already predicted his death, as well as his resurrection.

***Mark 8:31** And he began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes and be killed, and after three days rise again. 32 And he said this plainly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. 33 But turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man."*

Jesus defeated death and sin, as evidenced by his resurrection.

***Mark 16:1** When the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. 2 And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. 3 And they were saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance of the tomb?" 4 And looking up, they saw that the stone had been rolled back—it was very large. 5 And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe, and they were alarmed. 6 And he said to them, "Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen; he is not here. See the place where they laid him. 7 But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you." 8 And they went out and fled from the tomb, for trembling and astonishment had seized them, and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.*

***1Cor. 15:54** When the perishable puts on the imperishable, and the mortal puts on immortality, then shall come to pass the saying that is written: "Death is swallowed up in victory." 55 "O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?" 56 The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. 57 But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.*

Jesus' resurrection secures an overcoming hope...

1Peter. 1:3 *Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,*

1. ...that exists in perfection and certainty.

1Peter 1:4 *to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, 5 who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.*

2. ...that redefines our attitude towards suffering.

1Pet. 1:6 *In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials, 7 so that the tested genuineness of your faith—more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ.*

3. ...that produces affection for the Savior, extravagant joy, and a new quality of life.

1Pet. 1:8 *Though you have not seen him, you love him. Though you do not now see him, you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory, 9 obtaining the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.*

Reflection & Discussion

- 1. Have you surrendered your life to Jesus? Have you trusted him as your Savior? If not, why? What is standing in the way?**
- 2. As you reflect of Jesus' obedience and "laser-focus" to his mission, take time to contemplate the magnitude of love God has demonstrated. He sent His son to bear the weight of your sin and deliver you from death. Does your life reflect the magnitude of that sacrifice/deliverance?**
- 3. Describe the hope you have, both in terms of this life, and the life to come. In what ways have you seen this hope grow (confidence, perspective, affection, joy, and godliness)?**

SONGS

"Happy Day" - Tim Huges & Ben Cantelon

"Graves Into Gardens" - Brandon Lake, Chris Brown, Steven Furtick, and Tiffany Hammer

"Living Hope" - Brian Johnson and Phil Wickham

"Reign Above It All" - Ethan Hulse, Hannah McClure, Jess Cates, and Paul McClure

BUDGET

GIVING LAST WEEK: \$24,526.00

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YTD GIVING: \$372,391.64

YTD GENERAL NEED: \$458,536.00