

BEYOND SUNDAY



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This guide offers a simple tool for those wanting to take the next step with Sunday's message. You can print this guide to study on your own or use it in a group and experience transformation together.

MESSAGE THEME

Delivered Once and for All

PRAYER FOCUS

Jesus, thank You for what You did on the cross by taking my sin and shame and paying the price for it. Because of this, I can walk in freedom. As I continue to live in a close relationship with You, please show me the true weight and depth of Your sacrifice. In Your holy Name, amen.

KEY TRUTHS

God created man and woman to have dominion over the Earth. The authority given to them is similar to when someone rents out their house. They own the house, but the owners must still ask permission to enter so long as the renters live there. Adam and Eve were given dominion in the garden but gave it away to the enemy when they listened to him and disobeyed God. Initially, God created Satan as a cherub angel named Lucifer who rebelled against God and used Adam and Eve's authority to cause chaos on Earth.

After Adam and Eve ate from the tree, they didn't die physically; their death was spiritual. They could no longer walk closely with God like they used to, and they feared telling Him what they had done and tried to avoid Him. Likewise, when our relationship with God weakens, we may feel distant from Him and fear Him.

The Bible talks about two "Adams" who changed the course of history. The first Adam was in the Garden of Eden, representing us when he let sin enter the world. The second Adam was Christ, representing us when He died on the cross for our sins. Traditionally, a priest would go to the temple to kill a pure animal to pay for people's sins. The sacrifice was temporary, requiring the priest to perform the ritual annually. The Father sent His only Son as a final blood sacrifice to permanently and forever pay for our sins. When we accept Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior, we are righteous in God's eyes. He no longer sees our sins but the same righteousness Jesus carried.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

Remind yourself of the story. We can live in freedom through the sacrifice of Jesus Christ. What are you still hanging onto that Jesus paid for at the cross? Shame? Anxiety or worry? Addiction, maybe? Whatever it may be, hand it over to God and let Him speak to your heart.

Think of this good news: As a child of God, you're on the winning team! Christ already defeated the enemy at the cross—one final sacrifice for all people.

REFERENCE VERSES

- Genesis 1:26-28
- Psalms 8:5-6
- Luke 4:5-7
- Ezekiel 28:14
- 1 John 3:8
- James 2:26
- Romans 5:12
- 1 Corinthians 15:22-24, 15:45
- Galatians 2:20
- Mark 1:15, 1:27
- Colossians 2:15
- Revelation 1:18
- Hebrews 9:7, 9:12, 9:26-28
- Romans 4:25, 1:16
- 2 Corinthians 5:21
- Revelation 20:10

DECLARATIONS

Jesus paid my debt so I can live a life of freedom.

I'm made holy through Jesus' blood.

Perishable things like silver or gold did not redeem me, but the precious Blood of Christ. (1 Peter 1:18-19)

WHAT'S NEXT?

Now it's time to write down anything the Lord has spoken to you. Praise Him, thank Him, and ask the Holy Spirit to help you walk this out.



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