Part 20 **KINGDOM OF GOD AND CHRIST’S WARFARE**

**(With Satan)**

Jesus came into this world to destroy the works of the kingdom of darkness and Satan. Through Jesus overcoming Satan on every front from temptation to the cross He completely destroyed Satan and his hold on this world and the people.

His purpose was to bring people out of darkness into the light of His kingdom. Jesus came to undo, outdo and overdo all the devil had done.

Through the sacrifice and obedience of Christ he provided the victory for everybody who is willing to accept God’s plan of redemption and obey the gospel. You see a death sentence is over everyone who is in Adam and the fall. We could not save ourselves. Jesus came and paid the price and set man free. Faith in what Jesus did at the cross is all that is necessary for forgiveness.

We must believe Jesus is the Son of God and His work on the cross was all that is needed for our deliverance.

The victory we need is “in Christ.”

Christ came to destroy Satan’s kingdom

**St. Luke 4:18-21; St. John 12:31; Acts 26:15-18; I John3:8**

Christ overcame temptation

**St. Mat. 4:1-11; St. Luke 4;1-11; Heb. 4:15**

Christ drove out demons

**St. Mark 1:25-26,32-34,39;3:12; 5:12-15; 7:24-30; 9:14-29**

All power belongs to Christ eternally

**St. Mat. 28:18; I John 4:4**

Deliverance from sin and disease provided through the cross.

**Isaiah 53; I Peter 2:24**

Final victory belongs to Christ Jesus

**II Thess. 2:7-8; II Peter 3:10-13; Rev. 17:14; 19:11-21**

What God began in us He said He would finish. Also all God began before time and space He will finish as He said. The plan of God was only interrupted not stopped. Satan only hindered God and His plan for mankind. God in time will have everything that was planned in His mind before the foundations of the world. When it is all completed there will be no trace of Satan and his kingdom of darkness.

How do I know?

Because in God’s plan there will only be light, His light for all His children. In Him is light only. Satan is darkness only appearing as light. He will not be in our midst forever.

**KINGDOM OF DARKNESS AND SATAN’S WARFARE (With Christ)**

Satan’s intention to destroy God’s kingdom

**St. Mat. 4:1-11; 16:22-23**

Satan’s temptation with Christ to defeat Him

**St. Mat. 4:1-11; St. Luke 4:1-11; Heb. 4:15**

Demons challenged Christ’s power and authority

**St. Mark 1:24,34; 3:11; 5:7**

Satan has only temporary and limited power

**Job 1:6-12; 2:1-6; St. Luke 22:53; Rev. 20:7-9**

Satan cannot withstand the power of the cross

**II Cor. 4:10; Rev. 12:10-11**

Satan will ultimately be defeated and destroyed

**St. Mat. 25:41,46; St. John 16:11; Rev. 10:14-15**

Satan and his emissaries will do everything to stop, destroy, defeat as many people it can. Satan knows God at work in people will bring his destruction and end. Why? Because Jesus made a show of him openly at the cross and Satan know he has but a short time.

**Col.2:10-15**