Sermon Review April 4, 2021 "The Challenge For The Crown"

I Corinthians 15: 50-58

This Easter Sunday morning is an acknowledgement of the victory by God over death, which was believed to have been the most unconquerable event of life. It was believed that death represented the result of sin and the inability of humankind to overcome sin and satan's greatest effort to separate God from His earthly human creation. Jesus Christ comes to shatter that thought, and thereby challenge satan's efforts for the crown influence of human existence. As Christ gave and sacrificed His life on the cross as atonement for sin, and as Christ challenged satan's thought that he would separate man from God, after Christ resurrection, the Apostle Paul writes victoriously, where o death is your victory? Where o death is your sting? The resurrection of Christ proves that absolutely nothing can separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus, and certainly not death. Resurrection Sunday is a celebration of that victory, the challenge for the crown of life has been won by God and now it is the believer's responsibility to lift high the cross of Christ, with no Jesus on it, because He is off the Christ and lives eternally in the hearts of all who believe in Him. Be Blessed.

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