

Restoration: Why Jesus Came

"The reason the Son of God came was to destroy the devil's work." (1John 3:8)

Many of us focus on what Jesus did and how he did it, so that we can become good disciples. Often, however, we forget why he came. In 1 John 3:8 we read that Christ came to destroy the devil's works, thereby glorifying the Father. (John 12:28) We miss out on the power of discipleship if we ignore the purpose. We are reclaiming territory that rightfully belongs to us from a defeated, but dangerous foe. (Col.2:15)

Upon Jesus' death for us and his resurrection, victory was proclaimed. But we are still in a battle. The terrible truth is that those not reached for Christ will suffer eternal punishment. Heaven and hell are real. Judgment is real. (Mat.25:32) We are not just pushing against a cultural tide as Christians, but against an evil, organized spiritual enemy who has been at work for millennia. Satan knows our weaknesses, he takes full advantage of our fears and he is out to destroy us.

Satan is defeated through the spoken word of God. (Rev.12:11) We need to know the truth that will set us, our families and our nation free. God's kingdom comes as we, Christ's body, make his living word ours and speak (live) it into our homes, churches, and workplaces. Do you believe that the Bible is true? Is God's word yours? Why not? How would you live differently if you made Christ's purpose for living yours?

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