April 4, 2021

Speaker: Pastor Tim McCardel **Message Series:** Love Reigns

Today's Message: Living In the Hope of Easter

1. What Kept Jesus On The Cross?

John 10:17, 18

1) Jesus love for His Father kept Him focused on His purpose

<u>Isaiah 50:6, 7</u>

<u>Luke 9:51</u>

2) Jesus love for all kept Him on the cross

Galatians 2:20 "...the Son of God, Who loved me and gave Himself for me."

Romans 5:8

2 Peter 2:4 "For God did not spare the angels who sinned. He threw them into hell."

<u>This Easter, THINK</u>: Jesus IS the <u>TRUE King</u> over <u>Everything</u>—His <u>Love Reigns</u> when I Put my

<u>Faith</u>, <u>Hope</u>, and <u>Trust</u> IN HIM.

1 Corinthians 15:17

Ephesians 1:15-20

Go Deeply: Have I <u>surrendered</u> To <u>Jesus</u> as the <u>authority in my life</u>? Does <u>His love reign</u> over the

way I live?

Make A Move: Repent of my desire to control and allow Jesus to take control.

Let Love Reign: Ephesians 5:1, 2
2. How Does Christ Defeat Satan?

John 19:30 "It is finished."

John 4:34

Three Truths:

1) Jesus embraced <u>the cross</u> as a <u>King</u> grasps <u>his scepter</u>. His <u>throne</u> was a <u>cross</u>. <u>His Work</u> was Complete.

Colossians 1:21, 22

Romans 5:10

2) Jesus liberates us from Satan by reconciling us to God.

Ephesians 2:1-5

Hebrews 2:5-10 Hebrews 2:14

1 John 3:8

3) <u>Christ The Victor</u>: "Christus Victor" (Latin) - Christ the <u>liberator</u>, the <u>rescuer</u> from the slavery of <u>sin</u>, <u>self</u>, and <u>Satan</u>, has established <u>Himself</u> as the <u>Rightful King over ALL</u>.

1 John 2:13, 14

Revelation 12:11

Satan Is Defeated By:

- 1) "The Blood of the Lamb"
- 2) "the <u>word of their testimony</u>" a <u>witness</u> to the <u>truth</u> of <u>Christs victory</u> exposing <u>Satan's lies</u> "they did not love their lives" <u>True Christ Followers</u> help <u>establish God's Kingdom</u> thru suffering

Next Week: Love Reigns Over Our Past