

## IT MAY BE FRIDAY BUT SUNDAY IS COMING

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### Worship

#### Ephesians 1:9

*He made known to us the mystery of his will according to his good pleasure, which he purposed in Christ*

- We have the right to enter in and sit at His feet
- There is victory for us in this day
- It is finished
- As you cry out Holy, God will restore your wine skin and pour into you new wine
- There is victory in the blood of the Lamb

### Word

- It may be Friday but Sunday is coming...
- On Friday Jesus was crucified and put in the grave but Sunday there was resurrection power
- Our greatest response to God is to receive Jesus and walk in His fullness
- If we have full understanding of what Jesus has done for us, we will be able to respond better
- Our response need to be: God, have **Your** way not my way
- Before the world was formed, He chose us. He predestined us to be His children

#### Ephesians 1:4

*For he chose us in him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight. In love*

- We were first on God's heart. We are His priority
- God chose us long before we were born

#### John 3:16

*For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.*

- Jesus was crucified for our sins, to reconcile us with God. He reconciled man with God, because of His love
- His death gave us victory
- There is victory at the cross this morning
- There is victory in the name of Jesus
- Jesus said - Father it is finished
- No longer my way but your way, it is finished
- He surrendered His will to the Father's will
- This morning we are saying it is finished, not because we are drowning in the Friday but because we are giving over
- The Friday there was darkness, the enemy thought he has won
- David was anointed as king at the age of seventeen
- All the time he experienced trials and tribulations with Saul trying to kill him
- God said: David, you will be King but only at the age of 30 he took up the throne
- What did God promise over your life?
- He will make known to you
- He gave birth to something in your spirit
- He wants you to do something for Him
- That promise needs to be worked out
- A price was paid for us, for that promise to come into fulfilment

- We need to hold onto God
- We need not say goodbye, Jesus did not say goodbye to His Father but it is finished
- God has made the plans and desires known to us
- In Ephesians 1:4 we are reminded that we were first before creation

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- We are His priority
- When the disciples came to the grave the Sunday and they saw that the stone was rolled away, there was excitement
- You may feel like you are at the Friday but God is ready to roll away the stone that is confronting you
- He is making a way where there seems to be no way
- We are looking forward to Sunday, it is your breakthrough day
- Instead of death, God gave us victory
- Instead of being far, God made it possible for us to be close to Him
- He went into hell to take the keys so we can be free
- **In us is a new identity in Christ**

### **Romans 3:24**

*and all are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus.*

### **Romans 8:1-2**

*Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit who gives life has set you free from the law of sin and death.*

### **1 Corinthians 1:30**

*It is because of him that you are in Christ Jesus, who has become for us wisdom from God—that is, our righteousness, holiness and redemption.*

### **2 Corinthians 5:17**

*Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!*

- You are a child of God, your trespasses has been forgiven
- You were raised with Christ and sit in heavenly places with Him
- We are living close to God
- We can take the bread and wine with confidence, there is no condemnation and shame
- What you have done in the past may have given the enemy a foot in the door but this morning you can say: “Enemy I close the door in your face, I am free”

### **John 14:6**

*Jesus answered, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me*

- Condemnation, shame and guilt, etc. we place it at the feet of Jesus
- Because of the resurrection, there is power, it entitles you to a life of victory
- There is a new covenant that say we are His
- Christ began his work as a Priestly offering, offering Himself as the perfect offering for our sin
- Jesus is interceding for us 24/7
- Transaction is taking place on our behalf
- Paul says blessed is our God, He blessed us with spiritual blessings

### **Ephesians 1:3-14**

*Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ. For he chose us in him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight. In love he predestined us for adoption to sonship through Jesus Christ, in accordance with his pleasure and will to the praise of his glorious grace, which he has freely given us in the One he loves. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and understanding, he made known to us the mystery of his will according to his good pleasure, which he purposed in Christ, to be put into effect when the times reach their fulfillment to bring unity to all things in heaven and on earth under Christ. In him we were also chosen,[e] having been predestined according to the plan of him who works out everything in conformity with the purpose of his will, in order that we, who were the first to put our hope in Christ, might be for the praise of his glory. And you also were included in Christ when you heard the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation. When you believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit, who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are God's possession—to the praise of his glory.*

- This Easter weekend signifies the reconciliation of man with God
- Through believing in Christ, we are sealed as God's procession
- We are in covenant with God
- We need to say: "God, I am in this for the long run"
- A price was paid for us