

## SERMON SUMMARY

June 21, 2020

*A Battle to the Death*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

### I. YOU HAVE BEEN BROUGHT FROM DEATH TO LIFE

- A. Death has been your \_\_\_\_\_ from the moment you were conceived
1. Scripture speaks of death in \_\_\_\_\_ senses
  2. By the sin of Adam and Eve, you became \_\_\_\_\_ to all three
- B. Pau declares that in \_\_\_\_\_ death has been defeated and you have been given life
1. Christ took your sinful \_\_\_\_\_ upon himself
  2. You have been set \_\_\_\_\_ from death
  3. The grave cannot \_\_\_\_\_ you
  4. Death is no longer your destiny, but rather \_\_\_\_\_

### II. YOUR LIFE IS LIVED UNDER GRACE, NOT UNDER LAW

- A. In the sinful nature your life is \_\_\_\_\_ under law
1. Imagine growing up in a home where both Father and Mother were stern, unforgiving \_\_\_\_\_
  2. That is life under \_\_\_\_\_
  3. That is the life into which you were \_\_\_\_\_
- B. In Christ you were \_\_\_\_\_ from life under law and ushered into life under grace
1. Under grace, law cannot \_\_\_\_\_ you, because forgiveness overrules law's condemnation
  2. Grace is now the \_\_\_\_\_ in which you live

### III. YOU HAVE BECOME SLAVES OF RIGHTEOUSNESS

- A. There is much talk of \_\_\_\_\_, but often it is simply another form of slavery to sin
1. Some think freedom consists in having no \_\_\_\_\_ to anyone other than their own desires
  2. There is no freedom when the \_\_\_\_\_ nature calls the shots
- B. Paul declares that we have been set free from slavery to the sinful nature and become slaves to \_\_\_\_\_
1. At first that sounds simply like an \_\_\_\_\_ of one slavery for another
  2. A slave of righteousness has been given a new \_\_\_\_\_ that desires, freely, to serve God and live in obedience
  3. A change of \_\_\_\_\_ is what Christ accomplished in you
  4. In this new-found slavery to righteousness you seek to \_\_\_\_\_ your heavenly Father
  5. This kind of "slavery" is true \_\_\_\_\_

### *Questions*

1. Why is the Christian life a battle to the death?
2. How can we say death is no longer your destiny, when everyone still dies?
3. Explain the difference between life under grace and life under law.
4. How can we speak of slavery to righteousness as freedom?
5. Questions or comments?