

## **THE CROSS: Where Life Begins!**

*Lesson Two • Colossians 2:13-15*

### **What The Cross Meant to Satan**

#### **On the Cross...**

Satan was CRUSHED by Christ!

*“And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; He [Christ] will crush your head, and you [Satan] will strike His heel.” Genesis 3:15 NIV*

#### **The Cross of Christ and The Courtroom of Heaven**

*And you, being dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, He has made alive together with Him, having forgiven you all trespasses, having wiped out the handwriting of requirements that was against us, which was contrary to us. And He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross. Having disarmed principalities and powers, He made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them in it. Colossians 2:13-15*

The Accusation of Satan: GUILTY

The Penalty of Sin: DEATH

The Verdict of God: FORGIVEN

#### **What Did the Cross Mean to Satan?**

### **I. Satan Was DEFEATED Decisively On the Cross!**

- Satan’s works were DESTROYED by Christ’s death.

*He who sins is of the devil, for the devil has sinned from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil. 1John 3:8*

- Satan was DISARMED and disgraced by Christ’s victory.

*Having disarmed principalities and powers, He made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them in it. Colossians 2:15*

- Satan’s power of death was BROKEN by Christ’s resurrection.

*Since the children have flesh and blood, He too shared in their humanity so that by His death He might break the power of him who holds the power of death—that is, the devil—and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by their fear of death. Hebrews 2:14-15 NIV*

*“And whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die. Do you believe this?” John 11:26*

### **2. Satan Is DOOMED Eternally in the Lake of Fire!**

*“...now the ruler of this world will be cast out.” John 12:31*

*“...the ruler of this world has been judged.” John 16:11*

*And the devil, who deceived them, was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone where the beast and the false prophet are. And they will be tormented day and night forever and ever. Revelation 20:10*

#### **Satan Is Defeated and Doomed...**

But he is still DANGEROUS!

*Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour. Resist him, steadfast in the faith... 1Peter 5:8-9*

*Therefore submit to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you. James 4:7*

*Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. Ephesians 6:10-11*

#### **Why does God allow Satan to live?**

God’s GLORY shines brightest when we live for Christ over Satan!

#### **In the Meantime Till Satan’s Final Doom...**

There is GRACE to live for Christ!

*And the God of peace will crush Satan under your feet shortly. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. Amen. Romans 16:20*