

The Victory of the Mystery

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I. Introduction.

A. Text: I Corinthians 15:50-58.

B. The life is not futile that is in the Lord.

II. There is no way to achieve satisfaction in God's eyes through normal human resources.

A. Those things that impress humans cannot impress God in the least degree.

B. One achieves something of lasting value through the mystery.

III. The believer's body will be changed in the resurrection.

A. This will happen at the "trump of God" when the dead in Christ shall rise. (II Thessalonians)

B. Death will be swallowed up in victory at this time.

C. There is something that has already occurred, which points to what is to come.

1. The fear of death is gone.

2. People are afraid of death because it is beyond their control.

3. God gives us the present victory through Jesus Christ.

D. We must ask Jesus to come into our lives to bring the victory over death and the present healing we all need.

Application questions:

1. Why is man not able to achieve satisfaction in God's eyes through his own means? Explain.

2. How does Jesus give victory over death?

3. What is the present life that Jesus gives to the believer? Why is it important to understand that Christianity has an impact on the believer in this life and not only in the next?
