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## **SERMON NOTES**

## TOUGHEN UP BUTTERCUP! PART 11 "THE CONQUERING CHRIST" 1 PETER 3

(I Peter 3:18-22)

- The greatest truth to toughen us up is: Jesus rose from the dead!
- "If Jesus is still in the grave nothing really matters, BUT if Jesus came out of that grave, nothing else really matters." Anonymous
- 4 things to see today:
  - 1. His Victorious \_\_\_\_\_
  - 2. His Victorious \_\_\_\_\_
  - 3. His Victorious \_\_\_\_\_
  - 4. His Victorious \_\_\_\_\_
- I. His Victorious Atonement. (v. 18)
  - Jesus suffered as no man had ever suffered or could ever suffer.
    - A. \_\_\_\_\_ B. \_\_\_\_\_ C. \_\_\_\_\_
  - Why did He die? His death was a vicarious death. He died in our place!
- II. His Victorious Announcement "But made alive in the spirit" v. 18
  - Jesus made proclamation to the spirits in prison . . . not "preaching" in the sense of being saved but proclaiming His victory
- III. His Victorious Achievement (v. 20-21)
  - As a result of what He did, we can be saved.

"I know of no fact in the history of mankind which is proven by better and fuller evidence of every sort to the mind of a fair inquirer, than the great sign which God has given us, that Christ died and rose again."

History Professor Dr. Arnold Thomas

• To illustrate this, Peter gives 2 illustrations:

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- IV. His Victorious Attainment. (v. 22)
  - Friend, there is no area where His victory is not complete . . . heaven above, my heart, hell beneath . . . HE IS LORD.