

THE DEATH OF DEATH

2 Timothy 1:8-10

Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony about our Lord, nor of me his prisoner, but share in suffering for the gospel by the power of God, who saved us and called us to a holy calling, not because of our works but because of his own purpose and

grace, which he gave us in Christ
Jesus before the ages began, and
which now has been manifested
through the appearing of **our Savior
Christ Jesus, who abolished
death and brought life and
immortality to light through the
gospel,**

One may live as a conqueror, a king or a magistrate; but he must die as a man.

– Daniel Webster

Hebrews 2:15

and deliver all those who
through **fear of death** were
subject to lifelong slavery.

Job 18:14

He is torn from the tent in which
he trusted and is brought to the
king of terrors.

Psalm 55:4

My heart is in anguish within me;
the **terrors of death** have fallen
upon me.

1 Corinthians 15:26

The **last enemy** to be destroyed
is death.

Hebrews 2:14-15

Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood, he himself likewise partook of the same things, that through death **he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil,** and deliver all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong slavery.

Revelation 12:10

for the **accuser of our brothers**
has been thrown down, who
accuses them day and night before
our God.

If the death of Jesus takes away the condemning power of our sin, then the chief weapon of the devil is taken out of his hand. He cannot make a case for our death penalty, because the Judge has acquitted us by the death of his Son!

– John Piper

1 Corinthians 15:55

Death is swallowed up in victory."

"O death, where is your victory? O
death, where is your sting?"

1 Corinthians 15:56-57

The **sting** of death is **sin**, and the **power** of sin is the **law**. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

How do you take the sting out of a bee? By taking the sting yourself. Then the bee can hurt you no more. Christ took the venom of death. Death stung him and killed him. He took all the venom of death so there is none left for his people to fear. Death for us is no longer a curse but a blessing. The New Testament calls it "sleep" because when you sleep, you plan to wake up later.

– Ray Pritchard

and brought life and immortality to
light through the gospel,

The Old Testament has only scattered references to the hope of eternal life beyond the grave, and these were only dimly visible, in a comparative dusk, until the Son of righteousness came and brought these truths into full light in the gospel.

– John Stott

John 11:25

Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live

Death in its substance has been removed, and only the shadow of it remains... Nobody is afraid of a shadow, for a shadow cannot block a man's pathway for even a moment. The shadow of a dog can't bite; the shadow of a sword can't kill.

– Charles Spurgeon

Now where is Jesus of Nazareth, my
true and never-failing Friend?

– Jonathan Edwards