KINGDOM LEARNERS

DISARMING DARKNESS - LESSON 11

Why Jesus Appeared to Us



THINGS TO PONDER

- 1. Have you ever wondered, why did God send Jesus to us?
- 2. What was Jesus's mission while here on earth?
- 3. How did Jesus disarm the forces of darkness?

THINGS TO PRACTICE

- 1. Jesus came to destroy the works of the devil, so practice focusing on being a victor, and not a victim.
- 2. Take time to journal; focusing on the Good News, how Christ has healed you, and how he set you free from darkness (Luke 4:18).
- 3. Make a praise report for all the ways Christ is supreme in your life

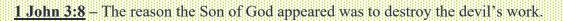




Father, we come to you, thanking you for sending Jesus Christ to pay the ultimate penalty to cancel our sins, to redeem and restore us, and for destroying the works of the devil. Father, we honor you and all the ways we have been blessed in Your son, Jesus. We ask that you open our eyes to see all the ways that darkness has already been defeated in our lives. Father, we invite you into our lives to heal our broken hearts and to set us free from the captivity of the enemy. Jesus, you are seated far above all rulers and authority, and we choose this day to focus on your supremacy and not our inadequacies. We ask all these things in the name of our savior Jesus Christ, who has disarmed the workers of darkness.

THINGS TO PRAY

KEY PIECES OF SCRIPTURE



<u>Colossians 2:15</u> – And having disarmed the powers and authorities [of darkness], he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross.

<u>Colossians 2:14</u> – He forgave us all our sins, having canceled the charge of our legal indebtedness, which stood against us and condemned us; he has taken it away, nailing it to the cross.

<u>Colossians 1:13-14</u> – For I will *forgive* their wickedness and will remember their sins no more." For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

<u>Colossians 2:9-10</u> – For in Christ all the fullness of the Deity lives in bodily form, and in Christ you have been brought to fullness. He is the head over every power and authority.

Luke 4:18 – The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruise.

<u>Hebrews 2:14</u> – 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.

<u>John 12:31</u> – Now is the judgment of this world; now will the ruler of this world be cast out.

<u>Galatians 5:1</u> – At last we have freedom, for Christ has set us free! We must always cherish this truth and firmly refuse to go back into the bondage of our past.

KEY CONCEPTS TO KNOW



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WHY DID CHRIST APPEAR TO US?

Jesus came to destroy the works of the devil (1 John 3:8)	To rescue us from the dominion of darkness (Colossians 1:3)
The lamb of God came to take away the sins of the world (John 1:29)	He came to do the will of the Father (John 6:38)
To be the light so that whoever believes in him would not be in darkness (John 12:46)	He came into the world to save the sinners (1 Timothy 1:15)
He came to the world to bear witness to the truth (John 18:37)	He came so that all who would believe in him would have eternal life (John 6:51)
To fulfill the law of the prophets (Matt. 5:17) To call sinners to repentance (Mark 2:17) To reign as King (Isaiah 9:6-7)	To reveal God's love for us (John 3:16) To seek and save the lost (Luke 19:5-10)

JESUS CAME to bring good news to the poor, to heal the brokenhearted, to set the captives free, to recover the sight of the blind, and to give us liberty (Luke 4:18).