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To know that Satan is defeated by our Substitute, and that his defeat is eternal, makes our Redemption a blessed reality.

To know that that defeat was administered to him by our Substitute, and set to our credit, so that in the records of the supreme court of the universe we are the masters of Satan, and that Satan recognizes that in the Name of Jesus we are his rulers-when the heart knows this as the body knows heat and cold, then faith is unnecessary.

It is simply a fact that we have come to know; and we act upon that knowledge as we act upon the fact of the ground being able to sustain our weight.

We know that God Himself put Satan and all his ability beneath our feet, and that we are looked upon by the Father and by Satan, as a master of the dominion of darkness.

We are taking Jesus' place.

We carry out in our daily walk the things Jesus would have done could He have been in our place.

He came to destroy the works of the Adversary.

We are completing the work that He began.

Then arise and take your place; act the part of a son; assume your responsibilities.

Dare the impossible: His Name can't fail you!

You are a victor; He made you one; get used to it, so you can play the part.

Make your confession harmonize with the facts.

You are what He says you are in Christ.

Remember His Word is truth (or reality).

Launch out boldly on the Word!

Chapter The Eighth

HE PUT ALL THINGS IN SUBJECTION UNDER HIS FEET

N the first three chapters of the epistle to the Ephesians, we have the consummation of Christ's substitutionary work in regard to Satan and demons.

Paul prays that "our eyes may be opened or enlightened, that we may know what is the richness of the glory of his inheritance in the saints, and what the exceeding greatness of his ability on our behalf who believe." (Eph. 1:18-23)

He fairly shouts that, "It is according to that working of the strength of his might which he wrought in the Christ, when he raised him from among the dead."

He declares the same ability that wrought in the dead body of Jesus when He was raised to immortality, is at work within us.

The heart can hardly take it in that the same Might, the same Resurrection Power that wrought in the dead body of Jesus is ours today.

"And if the Spirit of him who raised up Jesus from the dead dwelleth in you, he that raised up Christ Jesus from the dead shall also quicken (or heal or strengthen) your mortal bodies." Rom. 8:11.

"And he made him to sit at his right hand in the heavenlies, far above all rule, and authority, and power, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this age, but also in that which is to come."

You must always keep in mind that we were raised together with Him, and He made us to sit with Him in the heavenlies; so representatively, we are seated on the throne with Christ.

He is the head of the body. We are members of that body.

So if the head is exalted, the body is exalted with it.

If He has been given all authority, that authority belongs to the Church, His body. It is for the benefit of the Church.

If He conquered all the forces of darkness and left them paralyzed and broken before He arose from the dead, it is as though we had accomplished that mighty work.

It is all reckoned to us, set to our credit.