

ALL THINGS UNDER HIS FEET

Eph. 1:19-23 - *"And what is the exceeding greatness of his power to usward who believe, according to the working of his mighty power, which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead, and set him at his own right hand in the heavenly places, far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come: and hath put all things under his feet, and gave him to be the head over all things to the church, which is his body, the fulness of him that filleth all in all."*

1. GOD WANTS TO SHOW HIS GREAT POWER TO US.

1. The greatness of his power to usward who believe.
2. According to the working of his might power.
3. Which was wrought in Christ through the resurrection of the dead.
4. God has set Jesus at his own right hand in the heavenly places. This is a high and lofty position.
5. God has put all things under his feet--all things is pretty inclusive.
6. God has given Jesus to be the head over things--even the church.

2. WHERE IT ALL STARTED.

1. Gen. 3:15 - *"And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel."*
2. What had been a working agreement and cooperative effort between the woman and the serpent has now turned, and the two become alienated.
 1. Continual battle of seeds.
 1. Seed of the serpent.
 2. Seed of the woman.
 2. Seed is singular, but many-membered. *"Now to Abraham and his seed were the promises made. He saith not, and to seeds, as of many; but as of one, And to thy seed, which is Christ."* (Ga. 3:16)
 1. We know that we are the seed of Abraham, therefore we must be of the Christ seed. We corporately represent the many-membered Body of Christ.
 2. Likewise, the seed of the serpent is many-membered.
3. Seed of the serpent will bruise the heel of the seed of the woman.
 1. We are the heel, while Jesus is the head of the seed of the woman.
 2. A bruised heel will affect your balance, walk, and stand.
 3. It may not be life-threatening, but it can certainly affect you.
4. The seed of the woman shall bruise the head of the seed of the serpent.
 1. Who is the head of the serpent's seed? Satan.
 2. Jesus, the head of the woman's seed has already the serpent's head--Satan.
 1. Thus it is written...
 2. Jesus destroyed him who had the power of death, that is the devil.
 3. Jesus took the keys of death, hell, and the grave.

3. Death is defeated. *"O, death where is thy sting? O, grave where is thy victory?"* (I Co. 15:55).
4. *"The sting of death is sin, and the strength of sin is the law"* (v. 56)
5. *"But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."* (v. 57)

3. WE ARE TO HAVE DOMINION. Heb. 2

1. For he has not given angels the power to put under subjection the world to come (v. 5)
2. What is man, that thou art mindful of him? (v. 6).
 1. He was made a little lower than angels (God).
 2. Crowned with glory and honor.
 3. He was set over the works of God's hands.
 4. All things were in subjection under his feet. (that's where the seed of the serpent belongs).
 5. There is nothing that is not put under him.
3. We are the feet of Christ.
 1. We represent the part of Christ's body which connects to the earth.
 2. Heaven is my throne; earth is my footstool.
 1. Earth is where God places His feet, since this is His footstool.
 2. Earth is where the purpose of God is walked out, but the orders still must come from the head, which is in heaven.
 3. *"The glory of Lebanon shall come unto thee, the fir tree, the pine tree, and the box together to beautify the place of my sanctuary; and I will make the place of my feet glorious"* (Is. 60:13)
 4. Jesus as the head has already defeated Satan, but we must also put him under our feet. *"And the God of peace shall bruise Satan under your feet shortly..."* (Ro. 16:20).
4. But we see Jesus.
 1. Was made a little lower than angels (God)--only when he became man.
 2. Crowned with glory and honor.
 3. He by the grace of God should taste death for every man.
5. We have become fellow heirs.
 1. *"For it became him, for whom are all things, and by whom are all things, in bringing many sons unto glory"* (Heb. 2:10).
 2. *"For both he that sanctifieth and they who are sanctified are all of one..."* (v. 11).
6. Jesus took not the nature of angels, but the seed of Abraham.
 1. It was important that he be made like his brethren in order to be a merciful and faithful high priest--to make reconciliation for the sins of the people.
 2. This was Jesus' redeeming work.

4. GOD'S THRONE IS IN THE HEAVENLIES.

1. That's where spiritual blessings come. (Eph. 1:3). *"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings*

in heavenly places in Christ."

2. Heavenly places are high above all else.
 1. (Eph. 1:21). *"Far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come."*
 2. Phil. 2:9-10. *"Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name: that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth."*
 3. Eph. 1:22. *"And hath put all things under his feet, and gave him to be the head over all things to the church."*
 3. What is the church? *"...His body, the fulness of him..."*
5. AND WE ARE TO SIT WITH HIM IN THESE HEAVENLY PLACES!
1. Jesus is now in heavenly places. Eph. 1:20. *"Which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead, and set him at his own right hand in the heavenly places."*
 2. We are to sit with him.
 1. *"And you hath he quickened, who were dead in trespasses and sins." (Eph. 2:1).*
 2. *"Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened (God) us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;) and hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus."*