

## **February 29<sup>th</sup> - March 6<sup>th</sup>**

### **Victory Over the Virus**

In this lesson you will learn three ways to gain victory over the virus.

**Intro:** The coronavirus has now infected 86,022 people on Earth. Leading to at least a documented 2,700 deaths worldwide. This little microscopic infectious agent is now making headline news & is negatively impacting the economic markets around the world. The Chinese government has quarantined over 25 million people which is greater than the population of the state of Florida due to this tiny organism. Fear of catching the virus and its rapid spread have caused people to hunker down. As people of faith, we don't have to fear the virus. We can live in victory over any virus.

#### **I. Be Alert to the Virus**

- A. Recognize the virus. Be alert to its strategy and its power. 1Pet 5:8- Understand your opponent, but remember that Jesus is your victory. We are not doomed to defeat. We are victors & not victims. When fear becomes your response, faith cannot survive. The real virus is fear. The enemy uses fear to wreak havoc in our lives. Speak to your fear in the authority of Christ. Command that fear to go back to Hell. You control your response.

#### **II. Defeat the Virus with a Greater Virus**

- A. If you are bitten by a snake, the doctors use an antivenom which is made from the very venom that infected your bloodstream in order to heal you. The same thing that brings the curse is also used to bring the blessing. Goliath's sword which was meant to kill David, God used it instead with David to cut off Goliath's head (1 Sam 17:51). God will use what the enemy meant for evil, and use it for your good.

#### **III. Plead the Blood**

- A. The blood of Jesus is stronger than the blood of the virus. The blood of Jesus keeps you and your loved ones away from harm. Rev 12:10-11- we overcome the enemy by the blood of the Lamb and the word of our testimony. The blood of Jesus established a new and better covenant between us and a holy God. The blood is our defense. It declares that we are not guilty and free from all penalties of sin. The blood gives us the authority and the dominion to resist the enemy. We have a right to walk in victory because of the blood.

#### **Discussion Questions**

1. Are you passive or aggressive in your resistance against the virus of fear?
2. Are you trusting God that every situation is working for your good not against it?
3. Are you pleading the blood to walk in victory in your life?