Jesus our Champion

Genesis 3:15 (NIV) And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; He will crush your head, and you will strike His heel.

This Scripture introduces God's great plan of redemption.

A Conflict Would Begin

IN the moment of human failure, God's mercy enters with a promise of salvation.

God's purpose in declaring conflict between the powers of evil and the human race was to establish a basis of victory for us.

A Champion Would Be Sent!

Satan's main aim is always "to steal, to kill, and to destroy." John 10:10

Despite Satan's hatred and violence against Jesus, he failed.

A Minor Wound

All this left Jesus, with a minor wound, a *bruised* heel.

Satan was incapable of dealing a mortal blow to Jesus.

Jesus willingly embraced the suffering He endured at Calvary.

John 10:18 (ERV) No one takes my life away from me. I give my own life freely. I have the right to give my life, and I have the right to get it back again...

Jesus abolished deaths power and removed its sting.

A Glorious Triumph

The resurrection of Jesus from the dead is the supreme demonstration of His triumph over Satan and his works.

Death is Satan's most powerful and feared weapon - **Jesus diffused deaths sting.**

A Victory Would Be Gained!

The **heel** of Jesus would only be **scratched**, whereas the **head** of Satan would be **crushed**.

Crushing Satan's head means disarming him of his power, that spearhead his every attack: sin, condemnation, sickness and death.

Sin: Jesus conquered sin by being made sin for us.

2 Corinthians 5:21 (NIV) God made Him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in Him we might become the righteousness of God.

Condemnation: Jesus removed the penalty of our sin from us by bearing the full weight of sin upon His body at Calvary.

Colossians 2:13-14 (NLT) You were dead because of your sins and because your sinful nature was not yet cut away. Then God made you alive with Christ, for He forgave all our sins. ¹⁴ He cancelled the record of the charges against us and took it away by nailing it to the cross.

Sickness: On the cross Jesus carried away our diseases and bore in His own body all our afflictions.

1 Peter 2:24 (NLT) He personally carried our sins in His body on the cross so that we can be dead to sin and live for what is right. By His wounds you are healed.

Death: Jesus conquered death by surrendering to it, and then shaking Himself free from its

darkness, and rising radiantly into God's light.

Ephesians 1:20-21 (GW) God worked with that same power in Christ when He brought Him back to life and gave Him the honoured position - the one next to God the Father on the heavenly throne. ²¹ He is far above all rulers, authorities, powers, lords, and all other names that can be named, not only in this present world but also in the world to come.

See your enemy as God sees him, dejected, diffused, defeated and destroyed.

Colossians 2:15 (NIV) And having disarmed the powers and authorities, He made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross.

Jesus WON! Through His resurrection and ascension.

We share in Jesus' spoils of victory, and we are now made more than conquerors through Christ Jesus!