



Please Open Your
Bibles to Acts 7

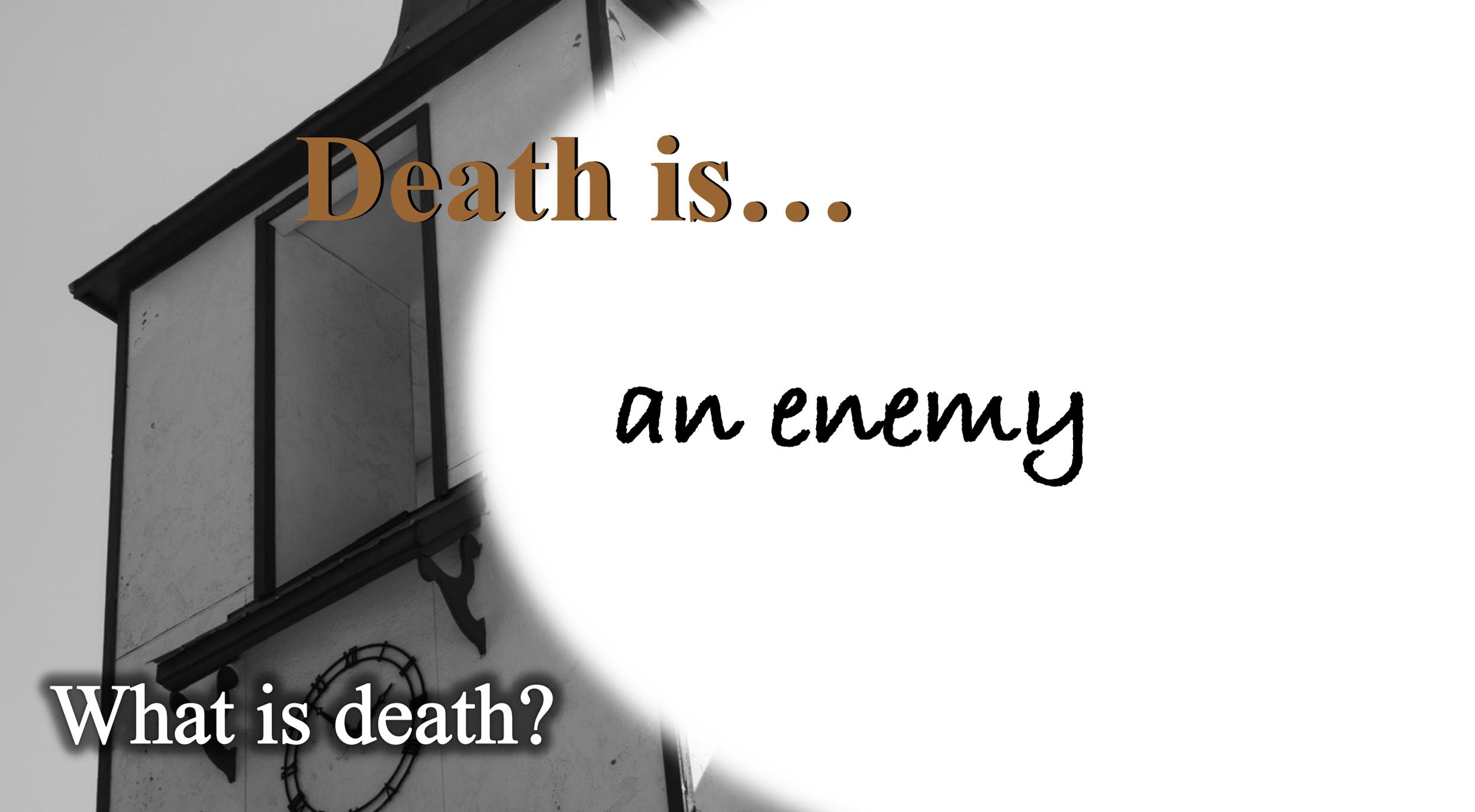
DEATH:
Terrible Enemy
or
Tutor of Heaven

ACTS: The Sequel
Week #12

Work of Salvation is Done!

“Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God.”

Colossians 3:1



Death is...

an enemy

What is death?

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“²⁵For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet.

²⁶The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

²⁷For he ‘has put everything under his feet...’”

1 Corinthians 15:25-27



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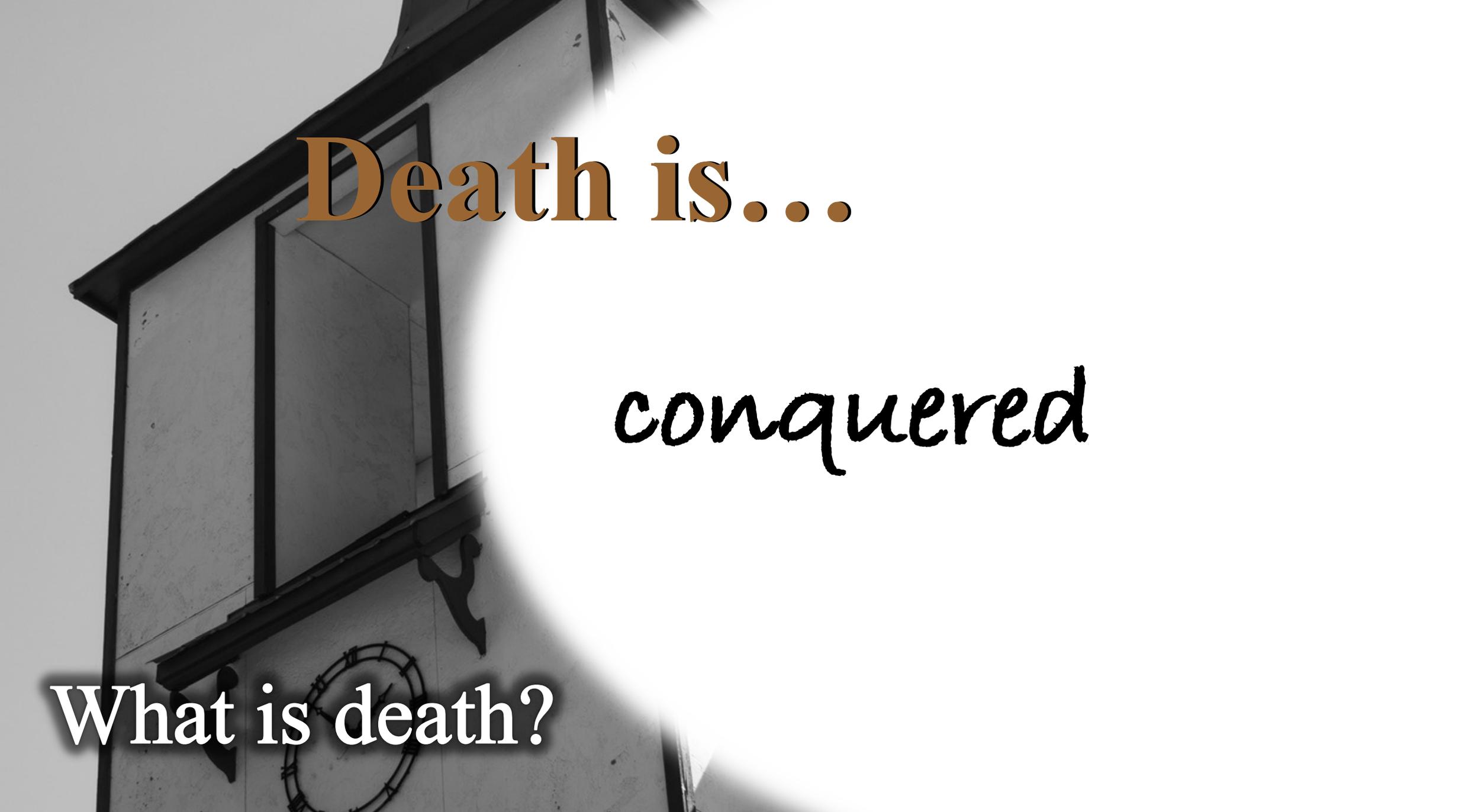
a result
of sin

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“¹⁵The LORD God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it. ¹⁶And the LORD God commanded the man, ‘You are free to eat from any tree in the garden; ¹⁷but you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for when you eat of it you will certainly die.’”

Genesis 2:15-17



Death is...

conquered

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“⁵⁵Where, O death, is your victory?

Where, O death, is your sting?

⁵⁶The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. ⁵⁷But thanks be to God!

He gives us the victory
through our Lord Jesus Christ.”

1 Corinthians 15:55-57



Death serves us by becoming...

1. A window to see Jesus.

“⁵⁴When the members of the Sanhedrin heard this, they were furious and gnashed their teeth at him. ⁵⁵But Stephen, full of the Holy Spirit, **looked up to heaven** and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God.

Acts 7:54-55



Death serves us by becoming...

2. A door to be with Jesus.

“⁵⁵But Stephen, full of the Holy Spirit, looked up to heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God....⁵⁹While they were stoning him, Stephen prayed, ‘**Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.**’”

Acts 7:55, 59



Death serves us by becoming...

3. An occasion to reflect on Jesus.

“⁵⁹While they were stoning him, Stephen prayed, ‘Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.’ ⁶⁰**Then he fell on his knees and cried out, ‘Lord, do not hold this sin against them.’** When he had said this, he fell asleep.”

Acts 7:59-60

Death Causes Reflection

“It is better to go to a house of mourning than to go to a house of feasting, for death is the destiny of everyone; the living should take this to heart.”

Ecclesiasts 7:2

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