The Life Changing Power

Inside each of us is an instinct, a natural reaction

to _____ ourselves.

The Contrast of Two Worlds:

Last Week: The World sees the disagreeable as enemies. The World *fights* with the weapons of this world.

Those of the Kingdom of God cling to the !

Jesus' kingdom is *beyond* this W_____.

By faith we understand that the universe was formed at God's Hebrews 11:3 command, ...

He sits enthroned above the circle of the earth, and its people are like grasshoppers. He stretches out the heavens like a canopy, and spreads them out like a tent to live in. *Isaiah 40:22*

Jesus' kingdom uses very *different* W_____.

Do vou think I cannot call on my Father, and He will at once put at my disposal more than twelve legions of angels? ⁵⁴ But how then would the Scriptures be fulfilled that say it must happen in this way?" Matthew 26:53-54

The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of the world. On the contrary, they have divine power to demolish strongholds. ⁵ We demolish arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God, and we take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ. 2 Corinthians 10:4-5

Jesus' kingdom is *according to* God's W_____.

For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways," declares the LORD. "As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts Isaiah 55:8-9 (Isaiah 53:10) than your thoughts.

The Cross is where the is.

When you were dead in your sins and in the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins, ¹⁴ having canceled the charge of our legal indebtedness, which stood against us and condemned us; He has taken it away, <u>nailing it to the cross</u>. ¹⁵ And having disarmed the powers and authorities, He made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross. Colossians 2:13-15

It Transforms, It , It is !

The Cross is where the is.

For if, by the trespass of the one man, death reigned through that one man, how much more will those who receive God's abundant provision of grace and of the gift of righteousness reign in *life through the one man, Jesus Christ!* Rom.5:17 (Phil 3:10)

It is Eternal, It is a , It is !

The Cross is where the _____ is.

because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit who gives life has set you free from the law of sin and death.³ For what the law was powerless to do because it was weakened by the flesh, God did by sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh to be *a sin offering.* ... *Romans* 8:2-3 (Gal. 5:1 & 13 / John 8:31-32)

It is Freeing, It is , It is !

Optional Readings: [Pick one of the subjects to read through] Proof that God is fighting with us and for us. *Exodus* 14 ¹⁴ 15 ³ *Deut.* 1 ²⁹⁻³¹ 3 ²² 20 ⁴ *Jos.* 10 ¹⁴ 23 ^{3 & 10} 2 *Sam.* 5 ²⁴ 2 *Chron.* 20 ²⁹ *Neh.* 4 ²⁰ *Ps.* 20 ⁷⁻⁹ 24 ⁸ 35 ¹ *Isaiah* 42 ¹³

God is King ... of Heaven & Earth. **Psalm** 10¹⁶ 24^{1&7} 44⁴ 47² 65⁵⁻⁷ 74¹² 89¹¹ 95³ 96^{4&10} **Psalm** 97⁹ **Isaiah** 32¹ **1** *Tim.* 6¹⁵ *Rev.* 19¹⁶