

**“You broke
the heads of
the sea
serpents in the
waters”**



Psalm 74:13

Four places where it was believed that Satan reins ⁽¹⁾

1. The Water:

- The drowning of Pharaoh was the first sign of God's victory over the water.
- The Psalmist: "You divided the sea by Your strength; You broke the heads of the sea serpents in the waters. You broke the heads of Leviathan in pieces, and gave him as food to the people inhabiting the wilderness"
(Psalm 74:13-14)



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1. The Water:

- In Baptism, we are united with the Lord Christ: "For if we have been united together in the likeness of His death, certainly we also shall be in the likeness of His resurrection" (Romans 6:5)
- There we receive our freedom from Satan's bondage: "Therefore if the Son makes you free, you shall be free indeed" (John 8:36)



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2. The Wilderness:

- It was there that the temptation of the Lord by the devil occurred.
- It was there that the people of Israel failed in the olden times, whereas the Lord was victorious for us.
- It was there that we learned to conquer Satan through prayers, fasting, and the Word of God.



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3. The air:

- “in which you once walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air”

(Ephesians 2:2)

- The Lord conquered him when He was lifted on the Cross.

- It was described as a glory and the beginning of the Lord's rein: “**The Lord reigned on a wood**” (Psalm 95: Agpeya)



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3. The air:

- The Cross became a throne while accepting suffering for the Lord Christ's sake became our victory and glory:

“When they were raised to take glory in their bodies” (the hymn of Tenen)

- The Cross is our sign by which we conquer Satan: “Our Lord Jesus Christ, gave a sign to His servants, who do fear Him, to prevail over their enemies”

(Friday Psali)



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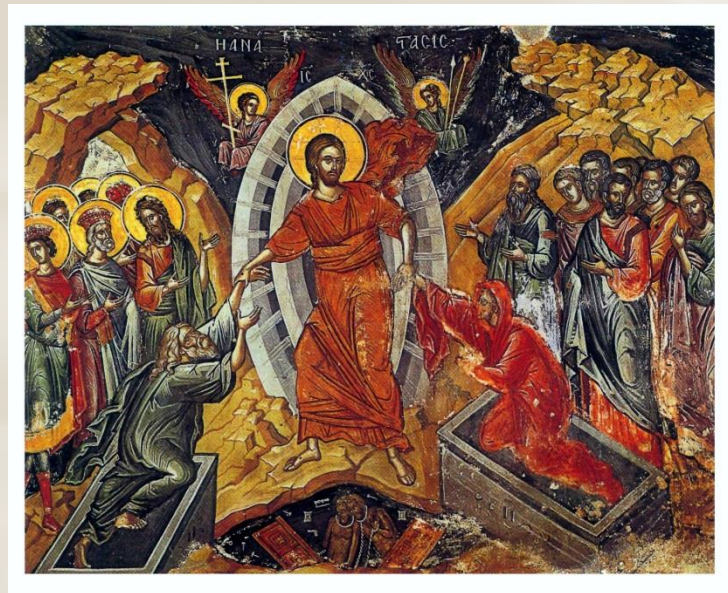
4. Hades:

- The Lord went there on the day of His crucifixion to release the captives:

“No one can enter a strong man’s house and plunder his goods, unless he first binds the strong man. And then he will plunder his house” (Mark 3:27)

- St. Paul’s cry of victory:

“O Death, where is your sting? O Hades, where is your victory?” (1 Cor. 15:55)



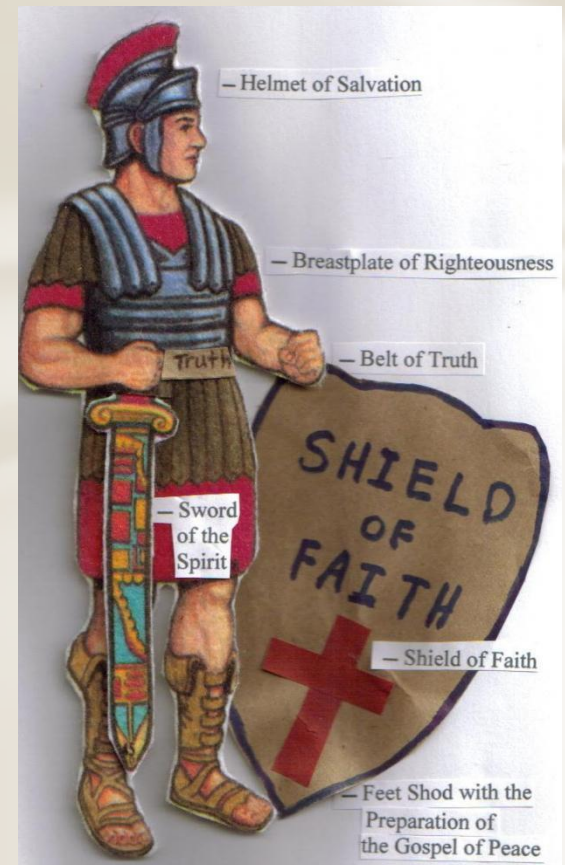
Means of Victory ⁽¹⁾

1. To be in the Lord Christ at all times
2. Prayer and Fasting: "However, this kind does not go out except by prayer and fasting." (Matthew 17:21)
3. To resist Satan and to not surrender to his authority: "Resist the devil and he will flee from you" (James 4:7)
4. The armor of God: "Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil" (Ephesians 6:11)



Means of Victory ⁽²⁾

- Ephesians 6:
 - "...gird your waist with truth" (14)
 - "put on the breastplate of righteousness" (14)
 - "having shod your feet with the preparation of the gospel of peace" (15)
 - "above all, taking the shield of faith with which you will be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked one" (16)
 - "take the helmet of salvation" (17)
 - "and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God" (17)



Means of Victory ⁽³⁾

5. Do not give him a place in your home:
“...do not let the sun go down on your
wrath, nor give place to the devil”
(Ephesians 4:26-27)
6. Bear the cross with thanksgiving
7. Be watchful to the end

