

The Sweet Smell of Victory

II Corinthians 2:14 - 3:3

- I. The term used for “triumphal procession” evokes images of a Roman MILITARY PARADE.
 - A. The sweet fragrance of the procession is reminiscent of the PLEASING AROMA of Old Testament sacrifices.
 - B. God finds the fragrance pleasing because sacrifices represent REPENTANCE and ATONEMENT.
 - C. Ephesians 5 teaches us that JESUS was a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.
 - D. When we repent and accept Jesus' sacrifice, we get to be part of the PROCESSION!
 - E. But we aren't just celebrating a military victory – this is a SPIRITUAL victory.
- II. No true sacrifice comes without the DEATH of something.
 - A. Accepting Jesus' sacrifice on our behalf isn't PASSIVE.
 - B. As believers, we are all a LETTER from Christ.
 - C. Holy Spirit is the author, etching the words into the tablets of our HEARTS.
 - D. If someone were to read the letter Holy Spirit has written on your heart, WHAT WOULD IT SAY?

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