

# Bigger than death

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## SMALL GROUP NOTES

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### Theme

On Sunday we continued our *Bigger* series looking at how we can know if we've made something bigger than Jesus. This week we looked at how fear of death can be bigger than Jesus in our mind.

### Scriptures

Hebrews 2:9 & 14-18

### Outline

We began our morning by looking at what a hard topic death is for us, with its personal nature that affects all of us it can be a frightening thing to think about. Not only that but there is also the horrendous and horrific thing as we've seen with events that have happened around the world over the last few weeks. There have been horrors such as the drowning of 800 migrants to the beheadings of Christians in the Middle East. Yet the writer of Hebrews seems to say in chapter two that if Jesus is big in our hearts we won't fear death for two reasons

1) **He's been there**

We saw how Jesus understands and sympathises with our temptation to fear death and has even tasted death for everyone.

2) **He's beaten him**

Not has Jesus been there but he's also beaten the devil. Through his resurrection Jesus conquered the devil & death and his resurrection brought hope that in Him we too can no longer fear death.

### Questions for discussion

- 1) What do you find fearful about death?
- 2) Why does knowing Jesus has been there help us to overcome a fear of death?
- 3) How can we grow at being those that live in Jesus victory & the hope of the resurrection?

### Tags

Death, Fear, Sympathy, Cross, Sin, Devil, Resurrection, Hope