PANDEMIC WORLDVIEW

The Only Comfort in Life and Death Romans 14:7-9

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1.	"T	nat is your only comfort in life and in death? hat I am not my own, but belong—body and soul, in life d in death—to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ." - The Heidelberg Catechism, Question #1
	a.	The of every Christian is summed up in the person of Jesus Christ.
	b.	Jesus Christ died and lived toabsolute lordship over every redeemed person—both the dead and the living.
	C.	is an enemy that every believer must face.
	d.	Believers can face death with because Jesus Christ died and lived again on their behalf.

2.	The fact that a believer belongs to the Lord determines their wholein life and in death.		
	a. In every situation in life, the believer does not live for, but instead the		
	live for the Lord.		
	"Though some Christians are weak and others strong,— though of different sizes, capacities, apprehensions, and practices, in minor things, yet they are all the Lord's—all eying, and serving, and approving themselves to Christ, and are accordingly owned and accepted of Him. Is it for us then to judge or despise them, as if we were their masters, and they were to make it their business to please us, and to stand or fall by our dooms?" - Matthew Henry		
	 b. In considering their death, the believer does not die for themselves, but instead they die for the 		
	"The form 'both the dead and the living' emphasizes the sovereignty which Christ exercises equally over both spheres. He has achieved this dominion because He Himself entered the realm of death, conquered death,		

sovereignty which Christ exercises equally over both spheres. He has achieved this dominion because He Himself entered the realm of death, conquered death, and rose triumphant as the Lord of life. He established His supremacy in both domains and therefore in whatever realm believers have their abode they are embraced in His lordly possession as those for whom He died and rose again." - John Murray