WORD OF THE DAY



"To the one who is victorious, I will give the right to sit with me on my throne, just as I was victorious and sat down with my Father on his throne."

Children of God will (Overcome)



Greetings. In week 6 of our series titled <u>*Children of God*</u>, we celebrate the fact that Children of God will overcome.

Children of God are in a Battle. When one becomes a child of God, they are moved from the Kingdom of Darkness into the Kingdom of Light. While the children of wrath are not at war with the devil because they indulge in sin, the children of God wage war against the world, the flesh, and the devil. The war against the world is not against the physical people of the world but the godless systems and way of thinking of the secular society which opposes the truth of God. The war against the flesh is the war against our own lust and evil desires. And the war against the devil is the war against the temptations that Satan and his demons present to us in order to take control of our mind. The war is around us(the world), inside of us(the flesh), and the war is invisible to us (the devil).

Children of God don't fight for victory but from victory. As children of God we are not trying to <u>fight for</u> the victory in this battle. We are <u>fighting from</u> victory. Jesus has already won us the victory, therefore, we overcome by not losing faith and staying in the battle. Luke 18:7-8 tells us that Jesus is coming back to administer justice on behalf of his children, our job is to not lose the faith until He returns. The victory is ours as long as we don't quit. The verse reads, "*And will not God bring about justice for his chosen ones, who cry out to him day and night? Will he keep putting them off? I tell you, He will see that they get justice, and quickly. However, when the Son of Man comes, will He find faith on the earth?"*

Victory is evidence that you are on the God's side. While we will all have set-backs, backslides, and occasional moments of failure, our overall path and trajectory should be one of victory. Since greater is He(Holy Spirit) who is in us than he(devil) who is in the world, when you have the Holy Spirit inside of you, you will be empowered to overcome (world, flesh, devil). Jesus did not come to save us simply from the penalty of sin -- hell, but He came to also save us from the power of sin -- overcome. The chains of addiction, depression, anxiety, lust, and other issues that many struggle with, are all in some ways manifestation of a greater spiritual battle. Let us not lose faith. Don't give up and accept the label of an addict, don't give up and believe that depression will always be your mood, don't give up and live a lifestyle of lust - feeling powerless to overcome. Those who are children of God, with time, will find themselves winning these battles; because **Children of God will overcome**.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

The battle is the Lord's, so if you find yourself always losing, re-evaluate if you are truly on God's side.

Series history

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PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Dear God, thank you for choosing me to be part of your family. Yes, Lord, as a child of God I am in a battle. Help me to know that you already have given me the victory and help me to not lose hope and overcome all things. In Jesus name we pray, amen.

Your brother in Christ, WNL

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