

Victory (Part 1)

Lesson 3- Spiritual Discipleship and Growth

Intro: The greatest single need in the personal lives of the majority of Christians is that of VICTORY- not simply a victory here and there, but the experiencing of a consistent, daily, victorious Christian life. Sadly, so many believers are living defeated lives.

Whether you have been saved for some time now or whether you are newly born again. Ask yourself this question- "Am I living victoriously?" Please be honest with yourself before God.

If you are defeated, or if your life consists of a roller coaster path of spiritual ups and downs, this lesson will be of immense value to you. But studying it will not be enough- it must be **APPLIED!!**

1. Does God want His children to have victory?

A. From John 10:10b, we see the Lord wants us to have an _____ life.

B. From Psalm 16:11, we see the Lord intends for us to experience _____ of _____.

C. According to John 8:31, 32, we see the Lord intends for the truth (His Word) not only to make us His disciples, but also to _____ us _____.

This freedom from sin does not mean the absence of sin but, as Romans 6:14 declares, freedom from the power of sin.

Romans 6:14 *"For sin shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace."*

D. Does God want us to experience a life of victory? _____

2. Steps to victory in your life.

A. To enable you to enjoy the victorious life, the following steps need to be understood:

1. Identify your enemy

2. Understand your enemy

3. Realize God's provision for victory

4. Translate victory into your own experience

B. The Bible teaches there are Three enemies that you will face as a child of God, each seeking to rob you of the joy of the Lord.

The three enemies are the:

World – Flesh - Devil

3. How to have victory over the "World"

A. Identify your enemy: When the Bible speaks of the "world" in the context of opposition to you, it is not referring to God's creation but to the "world system" which is organized on selfish principles, improper motives, ungodly standards, and is opposed to the things of God.

1. John 18:36 Jesus said His _____ is not of the _____.

2. John 15:18 Jesus said the world system would _____ the Christian as it did Him.

3. John 15:19 Jesus also said the believer is not ____ the _____.

4. According to James 4:4, for a Christian to be worldly only brings _____ to God.

5. IN light of these scriptures, do you think there is any common ground between God and the world, upon which the believer may safely stand?

Matthew 6:24 *"No man can serve two masters..."*

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4. Understand your enemy:

A. How does the “world” attach the Christian? Answer: It ENTICES the Christian away from the Lord.

B. Look UP: 1 John 2:15-17. According to verse 16, what are three ways the world will attempt to entice you?

1. The _____ of the _____.
2. The _____ of the _____.
3. The _____ of _____.

C. According to verse 15, what is it that the “world” seeks to gain from you? My _____.

5. Realize God’s provision for victory:

A. Look up: John 16:33 What did Jesus say to His disciples?

“Be of _____, I have _____ the world.”

B. The Lord Jesus Christ said He has won the victory for you!

Translate Christ’s victory into your own experience:

It’s all very well to see that the Lord Jesus won the victory over the world, but you and I need to appropriate this victory into our own lives so that we too can be over comers.

Here’s how:

A. Acknowledge you are on the victory side.

1. 1 John 5:5 who is He that overcometh the world?

“..._____ that Jesus is the _____.”

2. Are you a believer on the Lord Jesus Christ? _____

B. Claim your victory by Faith

1. 1 John 5:4 “... and this is the victory that overcometh the _____, even our _____.”

2. What is faith? Faith is simply believing what God says in His Word and acting upon it – total reliance upon God.

C. Do the will of God always.

“The world _____ away: but he that doeth the _____ of _____ abideth _____” 1 John 2:17

D Set your affections on heavenly things.

If you think about worldly things, wrong things, etc., you will be easily enticed.

1. Colossians 3:1 “Seek those things which are _____.”

2. Colossians 3:2 “Set your _____ on things above.”

3. Matthew 6:21 “For where your _____ is, there will your _____ be also.”

Philippians 4:8- List 8 things that should be focused on in a believers mind. _____
