

First John: Authentic Faith for Jesus' People

#12: Overcoming the World

1 John 5:1-12

I. Overcoming the world comes as we connect what we _____ with how we _____ (1).

1. _____ in Jesus as the Christ is evidence of being begotten of God.

2. Such faith leads us to express God's _____.

a. "Loving the child," option (1): loving _____ Son of God, Jesus Christ.

b. "Loving the child," option (2): loving God's other _____, one's fellow-Christians.

II. Overcoming the world comes as we see the relationship between the life of _____ and the life of love (2-3).

1. There is a clear _____ between loving God and doing what He commands, on the one hand, and loving God's children, on the other hand.

2. John says that God's commands are not overly _____.

III. Overcoming the world comes through _____ in Jesus (4-5).

1. Our relationship with _____ guarantees that we are victorious over the world.

2. That victory is found as we keep on _____ in Jesus as the Son of God.

IV. Overcoming the world comes as we receive the _____ of Jesus Christ (6-12).

1. Three _____ to Jesus (6-8):

a. The _____

b. The _____

c. The _____

2. _____ witness is greater than human witness (9).

3. The witness of faith _____ the witness of God about Jesus (10).

4. We all bear witness to eternal _____ through Jesus Christ (11-12).

Take it home (applications)