

Lesson 6

VICTORY IN AND THROUGH JESUS

“And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death.” (Revelation 12:11)

Satan is relentless in his attacks. He is one of the most powerful of all of God’s created beings. However, as a created being, he is not the opposite of God. He is in opposition to God, and he opposes the people of God. Although Satan is powerful, he is not invincible.

How to Get Victory Through Jesus

Satan attacks at our weakest point, the flesh. He would like to draw us away from the life in the Spirit to a life after the flesh. Nevertheless, when we read and apply the Scriptures, God teaches us how to prevail.

Rely on the Blood of the Lamb

In Revelation 12:7-8, Michael the archangel prevailed against Satan, yet he did not bring any accusation against him but said, “The Lord rebuke you” (Jude 1:9). If Michael would revert to the name of the Lord for victory and power over Satan, we need to even more. We dare not come against Satan or the evil in this world in our own strength. Rely on the Lord to fight the battle.

1. Write Isaiah 41:10.

Use Your Testimony

We have been redeemed through the blood of Jesus Christ; and therefore, we are debtors to the Lord to live and to walk after the Spirit, not to our flesh. Our old nature, our flesh, was crucified with Christ. Today we live a new life after the Spirit. This is our testimony. And this is exactly how we can overcome the enemy through the word of our testimony.

2. Write Galatians 2:20.

Don't Love Your Life More than Christ

We must reckon our old nature as dead, crucified with Christ. When the flesh is reckoned dead, then Satan has no place to attack. He attacks my flesh to get to my spirit. He does not attack my spirit directly, since he is already defeated in the realm of the spirit.

3. Write 1 Peter 4:2-3.

How Will Jesus Help Us?

As a child of God, you are one of Satan's prime targets. Even so, Jesus is praying for you. As our mediator and advocate before the Father, Jesus is making intercession for us.

The word "intercedes" means more than just "to pray." It means that Christ meets with God the Father in order to speak on our behalf. Jesus searches our hearts and makes intercession for us according to God's perfect will for our lives.

4. Write Romans 8:26.

5. Write Romans 8:27.

Why Does God Allow Spiritual Warfare?

God allows spiritual warfare so we can mature in our faith. Spiritual warfare is a strength builder. God's ultimate purpose for these testings is to bring us into spiritual maturity and into a relationship with Him where we discover His faithfulness in all our circumstances.

6. Write 1 Peter 1:6-7.

7. Write 1 Thessalonians 5:8-9.

We cannot fight this battle living a life in the flesh.

Because it is a spiritual battle, we must fight with the spiritual weapons that God has placed in our arsenal. We must put on the whole armor of God. We need to pray without ceasing, and we must crucify our flesh and live a life after the Spirit. We must come against the enemy in the victory that Jesus accomplished on the cross.

We don't have to live after the flesh, defeated. We have overcome Satan by the blood of the Lamb. This is our testimony. This is the place of victory. It gives no place for the enemy. We can live in victory, in His victory, in the strength of Jesus Christ.

God has given us everything to win the battle, and right now He is making intercession on our behalf. In Christ, we have overcome spiritual warfare!

*"But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."
(1 Corinthians 15:57)*