# OVERFLOW Summer 2025

# FROM MY HEART TO YOURS By Leona May

# PRINCIPLES OF CONQUEST

If we are going to be successful in our walk with Christ and with life in general, we must know what it takes to overcome the difficulties that you will face. You must understand and be able to apply the principles of conquest.

Conquest comes from the word conquer, which means to acquire by force of arms, to overcome by force; to subdue 2.To obtain by effort.

Therefore, conquest is the act or state of conquering or state of being conquered.

In life, sometimes we conquer and sometimes we are conquered by someone or something. The Bible states that whatever is thrown at us "we are more than conquerors through Him who loves us".

Romans 8:37

<sup>37</sup> Yet in all these things we are more than <u>conquerors</u> (able to acquire, to overcome, to subdue, to obtain) through Him who loved us.

In the book of Joshua, the Lord had to talk to Joshua because Joshua was to take over as the leader of Israel. His job was to lead the people of Israel into the promise land which was a big undertaking..

The task was to drive out the inhabitants of the land and possess it. The land was from the wilderness over to the Nile of Egypt at the South to Lebanon in the North, and from the Mediterranean Seacoast on the West to the River Euphrates on the east. Also all the land of the Hittites.

#### Genesis 15:18-21

<sup>18</sup> On the same day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying: "To your descendants I have given this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the River Euphrates-- <sup>19</sup> the Kenites, the Kenezzites, the Kadmonites, <sup>20</sup> the Hittites, the Perizzites, the Rephaim, <sup>21</sup> the Amorites, the Canaanites, the Girgashites, and the Jebusites."

These are the inhabitants of the land. When God gives us an idea, goal, dream or vision; it does not mean that someone else has not already had that same idea or that some else is not doing what you are trying to do.

Someone or something may already possess the land you are entering into but if God said take it, then take it. God never told us that overcoming and conquereing would mean we did not have to fight for it. But he did promise that we would conquer and be successful.

Read Numbers 13:27-33

Joshua assignment is to lead and instruct the children of Israel in warfare, whose parents had a habit of unbelief, murmuring and complaining about everything, which died in the wilderness. Of course, they would have to rely on God's help. But first, God needed to have a one-on-one pep talk with Joshua. God had given instructions to Moses and they had not changed.

#### **Deuteronomy 7:1-2**

1 "When the LORD your God brings you into the land which you go to possess, and has cast out many nations before you, the Hittites and the Girgashites and the Amorites and the Canaanites and the Perizzites and the Hivites and the Jebusites, seven nations greater and mightier than you, 2 and when the LORD your God delivers them over to you, you shall conquer them and utterly destroy them. You shall make no covenant with them nor show mercy to them.

#### Joshua's life

Joshua means "Jehovah saves, or the Lord is salvation", and corresponds to the NT name Jesus. (MacArthur bible Commentary, pg.255). Joshua was born in Egyptian slavery, He was a warrior and became Moses's assistant.

Joshua was approaching 99 years of age when he became Israel's leader, which lets you know that you are never too old to fulfill the promise of God for your life.

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He knows what He has called you to and He will give you the power (Strength and ability) and the knowledge to do it.

It ain't over until it's over!

At the end of the talk with Joshua, the people had to make a choice whether or not to heed to the voice of God, as we do as well. We all have to opportunity to obey God or go our own way. A lot of the time we say, we will obey and like the children of Israel we go our own way because the road seems to difficult to travel.

#### Isaiah 1:19-20 (NKJV)

19 If you are willing and obedient,
You shall eat the good of the land;
20 But if you refuse and rebel, You shall be devoured by the sword";
For the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

There are things that God has already said to you to prepare you for the vision, dream, goal or task that is before you. The question is, What did you do with what he said, what he showed you or the burden that He laid on your heart. What did you do with it? Or what are you doing with it, what are you gonna do with it?

We must take a stand and conquer our:

- Fears and anxieties
- Doubt and unbelief
- Bad habits that prevent us from moving forward
- Frustrations
- Insecurities

Take a stand and root out the parasites that we have allowed to invade our thoughts and embedded themselves in our minds (jealousy, unforgiveness, bitterness).

#### Principles of Conquest Be Strong and very courageous.

#### Joshua 1:7 (NKJV)

<sup>7</sup> Only be strong and very courageous, that you may observe to do according to all the law which Moses My servant commanded you; do not turn from it to the right hand or to the left, that you may prosper wherever you go.

**Strong** - to be physically powerful, capable of exerting great physical force; 2. In good or sound health; 3. Economically or financial sound or thriving; 4. Having force of character.

Courageous – possessing or expressing (displaying) courage.
Courage - the power or quality of dealing with or facing danger, fear, pain, etc (Collins English Dictionary); The quality of mind or spirit that enables a person to face difficulty, danger, pain, etc., without fear; bravery (Random House).
Example: David with Goliath

God is saying be strong and courageous to do what the word says do. In order to do that you must be: Consistent, Diligent, Discipline Dedicated, and Determined to accomplish the task.

Do not turn from it – to the right or to the left; that you may prosper wherever you go. Our problem is that we do it a little while and then we get tired and revert back to what makes of feel good. What is comfortable for us, what makes sense to us and we are never prosperous in the thing that God called us to.

God is saying, Don't turn from it!

"This Book of the law shall not depart from your mouth". Don't start saying stuff that God has not said. Lean on the integrity of His word.

We do not need to be saying well what if this or that happens, or I can't do that because I'm this or I'm that, or I don't know how that's going to happen. I'm not good enough, I'm not smart enough, I'm not pretty enough. We have to stop with the excuses. Israel wondered in the wilderness for 40 years because of there excuses. Don't let that be you!

#### **Psalm 19:7-11 (NKJV)**

- <sup>7</sup> The law of the LORD *is* **perfect**, converting the soul; The testimony of the LORD *is* **sure**, making wise the simple;
- <sup>8</sup> The statutes of the LORD *are* **right**, rejoicing the heart; The commandment of the LORD *is* **pure**, enlightening the eyes;
- <sup>9</sup> The fear of the LORD *is* <u>clean</u>, enduring forever; The judgments of the LORD *are* <u>true</u> <u>and</u> <u>righteous</u> altogether.
- <sup>10</sup> More to be desired *are they* than gold, Yea, than much fine gold; Sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb.
- <sup>11</sup> Moreover by them Your servant is warned, *And* in keeping them *there is* great reward.

# You shall meditate in it day and night.

Meditate – to engage in reflection. 2. To engage in mental exercise for the purpose of reaching a heightened level of spiritual awareness. 3. To focus one's thoughts on; to reflect on or ponder over. **SUMMER 2025** PAGE 3

#### *Psalm 1:1-3 (NKJV)*

1 Blessed is the man Who walks not in the counsel of the ungodly. Nor stands in the path of sinners, Nor sits in the seat of the scornful;

<sup>2</sup> But his delight is in the law of the LORD, And in His law he meditates day and night.

<sup>3</sup> He shall be like a tree Planted by the rivers of water, That brings forth defines dismayed - to cause to lose its fruit in its season, Whose leaf also shall not wither; And whatever he sioned or discouraged. Collins Engdoes shall prosper.

#### All things are contingent on what YOU do:

a.That YOU may observe to do according to all that is written in it.

Not someone else (your spouse, girlfriend, children, superviser, pastor, etc.) but YOU.

#### Deuteronomy 29:29 (NKJV)

<sup>29</sup> The secret things belong to the LORD our God, but those things which are revealed belong to us and to our children forever, that we may do all the words of this law.

Don't just be a hearer of the word but a doer as well. God wants you to do it. To get out there and make stuff happen.

a.For then YOU will make your way prosperous, and then YOU will have good success.

When you have done what I instructed you to do. THEN!

A lot of the time we are trying to be success without God. Trying to come up with our own path that we should take without even consulting God and then we are upset, and frustrated when we don't have success.

God goes on to tell Joshua: Have I not commanded you, Do not be afraid, nor dismayed for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.

**Afraid** – feeling fear, apprehension, reluctance or unwillingness (you scared).

The American Heritage Dictionary enthusiasm or resolution, disillulish Dictionary says, filled with depression or discouragement; filled with apprehension or alarm.

God is saying don't even go there. When you face the enemy and/or giants, when you face challenges, when you enter the hard places of life, when you don't know what to do next: Remember that the Lord you God is with you where you go, in whatever you are doing.

God's got you and you will come out more than a conqueror! In Jesus *Econa* Name.

# **Kings Dominion Outreach Ministries**

Come and Worship with Us 2920 Christine Road, Bldg. 5 Columbus, GA 31907

> **Sunday Morning** 11:00 am

#### Storms of Life

When terror grips you and you feel despair, Have faith and know vour God is there. He can calm the raging wind and sea. And whisper softly, "Trust In Me".

He knew defeat when alone on the cross. He, too, felt abandoned. forsaken and lost. So when storms of life prevail, with God at the helm, you can not fail. Helen Parker.



### **TRIVIA**

When God spoke to Moses at the burning bush, What did God tell him to do?

### Did you know?

Lilac is a green deciduous shrub that is fire-resistant and known for its fragrant blossoms in spring, which can range from white to pink to purple. It retains moisture in its stem and leaves. It also has a low resin content which makes a great shrub to plant in areas prone to wildfires.

Take off your shoes.

#### The Plan of Salvation

For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God

Romans 3:23 / Romans 5:12 / Romans 6:23

God has a plan of Salvation. You can not save yourself

John 3:16 / Roman 5:19

Jesus paid the price for sin and death

2 Corinthians 5:21 / Romans 5:8

You can be saved from your sins and have eternal life

Romans 10:8-9

If you would like to invite Shrist to be your Lord and Saviour,

#### **Pray this Prayer**

Dear God, please forgive me of my sins. I ask Jesus to come into my life and be my Lord and Saviour. I confess with my mouth and believe with my heart that God raised Jesus from the dead, and according to your word I AM SAVED!

In Jesus Name —Amen



#### A Quotable Quote

It is not how much we have, but how much we enjoy, that makes happiness. Charles Spurgeon



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY



## Scripture of the Month



"When people lives please the Lord, even their enemies are at peace with them. (Proverbs 16:17 NLT)

#### CONGRATULATIONS TO THE GRADUATES OF 2025

We are so proud of you.
YOU DID IT!



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