

Overcomer!

Overwhelmed – to be covered over by the enemy, to be engulfed by the enemies' tactics etc.
 Overshadowed – to be covered over with the presence of God, engulfed by Him.
 Overcomer – to overwhelm the powers against us, we are now the engulfer! We cover the enemy "over"
Overcome: to overwhelm, to subdue, conquer, prevail over, get and have the victory –

Rom 8:37 Nay, in all these things we are more than **conquerors** through him that loved us.

Same meaning as overcome.

1Jn 5:4 For whatsoever is born of God **overcometh** the world: and this is the **victory** that **overcometh** the world, *even* our faith.

Whatever is "Born" of God – What is conceived in our thoughts, belief system that is from and of God enables, makes, empowers us as "overcomers" – Why, Jesus overcame so we could overcome -

But whatever is not from or of God decreases, disables, stops, removes our overcoming ability and position.

This is important – Anything that is not God – makes us weak in the fight against the enemy and in our faith.

1Jn 5:5 Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God?

Do we believe we are an overcomer enough to be what we believe?

What is the "WORLD"?

The "WORLD" represents everything that rejects Jesus Christ or that tries to achieve goodness without God.

So all thoughts, actions, deeds, beliefs, laws, attitudes, traditions, and so forth that reject, disagrees or leaves Jesus out is "the world", the world's system.(the world's way of doing, being, having etc.)

Mat 6:33 But seek ye first the kingdom of God, (not the worlds kingdom of rejecting Jesus and being evil) and his righteousness; (His way of doing things "Right") (not the worlds way and doing, thinking and being) and all these things (all things that we have need of) **shall be added** unto us.

Joh 15:19 If ye were of the world, the world would love his own: but because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you.

The problem lies in our trying to serve God with a "Mixture" of beliefs and or systems – God is pure His system is pure, our system must be pure – We cannot mix God's Kingdom and the Worlds kingdom and expect God results.

1Jn 2:16 For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is **of the world**.

These are the basis of the seduction and deception the devil uses to lead us away from God.

- **Lust of the flesh** (Galatians says, Walk and live in the Spirit and we will not fulfill the lust of the flesh)
 Seeking gratification in and from the "fleshly" desires, wants, longings, etc. Seeking fulfillment in and of ourselves without God. The flesh "RULES", our spirit man is weak and not in control or we give Him no place in our lives. Living our lives completely ruled or governed by the natural – not governed by the Spirit of God.

- **Lust of the eyes**

I want everything I see, that I do not have, and I want it now. Especially what my neighbor has that I don't. This is "covetousness" – This is an absence of "contentment" –we are again looking to things to "SATISFY" only what God can satisfy.

Contentment: The power within to be an overcomer when temptation, to improperly "want" comes.

To raise a barrier, to have the power of a "boundary", to ward off, not be "want or desire" driven, but Spirit led
 Heb 13:5 Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be **content** with such things as ye have: for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.

God does not say we cannot have nice things, but we must look to God for them and put God over and before them.

- **Pride of life**

Seeking after the titles, honors, awards, and recognition all the while claiming "I did all of this"

Psa 75:6 says - Promotion comes from God – I Pet 5:6 – God said if we submit to Him He will do the exalting

Jdg 7:2 And the LORD said unto Gideon, The people that are with thee are too many for me to give the Midianites into their hands, lest Israel vaunt themselves against me, saying, Mine own hand hath saved me.
God is not in any of these actions, none one of these three things will lead us to God's real promotion, prosperity and honor that only comes from our total **surrender** and **submission** to God and to one another.

Let me interject a thought here – We talk a lot about submission or submitting one to another. The only time submitting becomes a problem is when we “disagree” with one another. Before the point of the “difference” submission is not a problem, but the challenge comes in the disagreement, especially dealing with authority ----

Being an Overcomer!

Rom 8:1 There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. **(This is an overcoming position but only because of what Jesus did on the cross)**

What does “condemnation” do in your life? – It destroys the “likeness” to Jesus. For Jesus did not come to condemn. What is condemnation? – To be given a “verdict” that we are guilty and will be punished and destroyed.

Rom 8:2 For the law of the **Spirit of life in Christ Jesus** hath **made me free** from the law of sin and death.

Joshua and Caleb -

Num 13:30 And Caleb stilled the people before Moses, and said, Let us go up at once, and possess it; **for we are well able to overcome it. (they were overcomer's and were set to overcome)**

Balaam the Prophet -

Num 22:11 Behold, *there is* a people come out of Egypt, which covereth the face of the earth: come now, curse me them; peradventure I shall be able to overcome them, and drive them out.

Num 22:12 And God said unto Balaam, Thou shalt not go with them; thou shalt not curse the people: for they *are* blessed. **(Israel was in an overcoming position and could not be moved from it – we are the same)**

Jesus said He has overcome – so we are overcomers -

Joh 16:33 These things I have spoken unto you, that **in me ye might have peace**. In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world.

Rom 12:21 Be not overcome of evil, but **overcome evil with good**. (this is a power verse – it speaks of who we are in God and our potential in God and ability to be what God said we were to be.)

1Jn 4:4 Ye are of God, little children, and have **overcome** them: because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world. (we are already overcomers over all anti-Christ behaviour in the world)

(Note: We sometimes miss the power of this verse because of familiarity. The greater one lives within us and yes we have overcome, but we also have within us the “power and the abilities” of the greater one to overcome every situation, or circumstance, or problem we do not have an answer for. Because of the “GREATER ONE” in us.

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Are we born of God, then we are an overcomer – what is the key to our overcoming – Faith, we believe that Jesus is who He said He is. And we are in Him who He said we are.

We must move from being “OVERCOMERS” positionally and be “OVERCOMERS” experientially. Living it DAILY! MANIFESTATION - - - - -