

THIS IS THE VICTORY

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

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

1Jn 5:6 This is he that came by water and blood, *even* Jesus Christ; not by water only, but by water and blood. And it is the Spirit that beareth witness, because the Spirit is truth.

1Jn 5:7 For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one.

1Jn 5:8 And there are three that bear witness in earth, the spirit, and the water, and the blood: and these three agree in one.

1Ch 29:11 Thine, O LORD, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for all *that is* in the heaven and in the earth *is thine*; thine is the kingdom, O LORD, and thou art exalted as head above all.

whatsoever — *Greek*, “*all that is begotten of God.*”

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Whatsoever is born of God - Whatsoever (the neuter for the masculine) is begotten of God: overcometh the world

1Jn 5:4 world :Greek, “*kosmos*”, means “*world-system*”.

1. **Born Again**: This means he has the divine nature within him, and it is impossible for this divine nature to disobey God. “For whatever is born of God overcomes the world.
2. If the **old nature** is in control of us, we disobey God; but if the **new nature** is in control, we obey God. The world appeals to the old nature and tries to make God’s commandments seem burdensome.

1Jn 2:15 Love not the world, neither the things *that are* in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

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.

1Jn 2:17 And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth forever.

1Jn 2:14 I have written unto you, fathers, because ye have known him *that is* from the beginning. I have written unto you, young men, because ye are strong, and the word of God abideth in you, and ye have overcome the wicked one.

1Jn 4:9 In this was manifested the love of God toward us, because that God sent his only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through him.

3. **Our Victory is a result of Faith:** We grow in faith as we grow in love. The more you love someone, the easier it is to trust him. The more our love for Christ is perfected, the more our faith in Christ is perfected too, because faith and love mature together.

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

Heb 10:38 Now the just **shall live by faith:** but if *any man* draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him.

Heb 10:39 But we are not of them who draw back unto perdition; but of them that believe to the saving of the soul.

4. **“Even our Faith”** - Our Faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. He overcame the world, **Joh 16:33**, and it is by that faith which makes us one with him, and that empowers us with his Spirit, that we are able to overcome also

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.

5. The **Word Overcome** is a favorite with John; he used it in 1 John 2:13-14 with reference to overcoming the devil. He uses it

seven times in Revelation to describe believers and the blessings they would receive in being an over comer.

Rev 2:7 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; **To him that overcometh** will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God.

Rev 2:11 “... **He that overcometh** shall not be hurt of the second death.”

Rev 2:17 “... **To him that overcometh** will I give to eat of the hidden manna, and will give him a white stone, and in the stone a new name written, which no man knoweth saving he that receiveth *it*.”

Rev 2:26 And **he that overcometh**, and keepeth my works unto the end, to him will I give power over the nations:

Rev 3:5 **He that overcometh**, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life, but I will confess his name before my Father, and before his angels.

Rev 3:12 **Him that overcometh** will I make a pillar in the temple of my God, and he shall go no more out: and I will write upon him the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God, *which is new Jerusalem*, which cometh down out of heaven from my God: and *I will write upon him* my new name.

Rev 3:21 **To him that overcometh** will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne.

6. **The Term overcomer** is a name for a true Christian because we have been born of the water and of the Spirit we are overcomers.
7. There is a story told of a soldier in the army of Alexander the Great who was not acting bravely in battle. When he should have been pressing ahead, he was lingering behind. The great general approached him and asked, “What is your name, soldier?” The man replied, “My name, sir is Alexander.” The general looked him

straight in the eye and said firmly: “Soldier, get in there and fight – or change your name!”