

## **Victory**

Living a life of victory is a guarantee gifted by the win on the cross! We are a byproduct of the triumph Jesus not only made on the cross but also by the way He did it: sinless. As you walk through this month, walk in confidence. Walk with a swagger that can only come from your authentic relationship with the Father. Walk secure. Walk with courage. Walk with the Spirit who gives you everything you need to be victorious: access to the Father, an advocate that fights for you and with you, a close friend and guide who has all of the knowledge of your life and future. For everyone born of God overcomes the world. This is the victory that has overcome the world, even our faith. Who is it that overcomes the world? Only the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God." (1 John 5:4-5, NIV)

## **Week 1**

### Talk to God

Walking in Victory comes from the door Jesus opened for our freedom. Thank the Lord for that freedom.

### Go Deeper

When we fail to operate in the authority God has given us, our spiritual life becomes weak, our purpose becomes empty and we ultimately live in defeat. It is hard to believe that anyone would choose to live a life of defeat. It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery (Galatians 5:1, NIV).

There is nothing as enjoyable and exciting as Victory. So, why should we live a life in defeat? The truth is that we have a choice.

We can choose the life of victory that God has already prepared for us or we can choose to live in defeat - a life which God did not choose for us. I want to encourage you to choose to use the new authority God has given you to live a life of victory!

### Take Action

Text someone in the family and let them know the last victory you

## **Week 2**

### Talk to God

Victory and defeat are sometimes layers away from each other. Ask the Lord to show you the ways to victory.

### Go Deeper

Many of God's children are living defeated, unsatisfying and unsatisfactory lives. They have never entered into the experience of the peaceful life (Isaiah 30: 15); the overflowing life (John 7: 37-39); the abundant life (John 10: 10); the joyful life (John 15: 11); the liberated life (Romans 6: 7); the triumphant life (2 Corinthians 2: 14); and the loving life (1 John 2: 5) – and yet they long to do so!

Study these scriptures so you can live a satisfying and fulfilling life.

### Pray

After reading each set of scriptures, pray and allow the power of the Word of God to anchor itself in your heart.

## Week 3

### Talk to God

Failure is a part of life. Ask the Lord to turn your failure into opportunities to learn and grow.

### Go Deeper

**Victory is not gained by human effort.** We will be on the way to living a life of victory when we have truly learned this simple lesson. It is absolutely impossible to live this life in our own strength. See what 1 Samuel 2: 9 says. Here is the reason for all our failure; we have tried to gain the victory over sin, self and the devil in our own strength, and we have failed every time! Remember this: God has excluded the work of man from every form of salvation. We are not saved from our sin by our own works Ephesians 2: 8-10; Titus 3: 5. We are not saved from the power of sin by our own works Romans 5: 10. We will not be saved from the presence of sin by our own works John 14: 3 – see this illustrated by God in Exodus 14: 13-14.

### Take Action

What are the areas of your life that you try to work out on your own? Tell someone so you can be accountable to seek the Lord's help.

## Week 4

### Talk to God

Victory takes desire. Pray and ask god to give you His desires for your life.

### Go Deeper

Victory is gained by a choice. As long as we are in this world we will be faced with a choice, the same way Joshua faced the Children of Israel with a choice Joshua 24: 15 - But if serving the LORD seems undesirable to you, then choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served beyond the Euphrates, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you are living. But as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD."

This choice involves a definite, conscious act of the will. Every time we are tempted to sin, if we want to experience victory we must deliberately choose to please Jesus who has already gained the victory for us, and who is waiting to give the victory to us – and the moment we choose Him we receive His power and enabling – look up Romans 6: 13.

### Take Action

Write down the intentional choices you are making to walk in victory