

*"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.**" John 16:33no3 KJV*



The faithful should not worry about the attacks of evil that surround them. *"Fret not thyself because of evildoers, neither be thou envious against the workers of iniquity. For they shall soon be cut down like the grass, and wither as the green herb. Trust in the LORD, and do good; so shalt thou dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed. Delight thyself also in the LORD; and He shall give thee the desires of thine heart."* Doubt is nothing more than the evil whispers of Satan encouraging unbelief to discourage the Conquerors we are through Christ who Loves us. Even the frequent uprisings of our flesh should not dissuade us from our appointed task, to *"preach the Gospel to every creature."* Satan uses guilt and doubt to make us feel unworthy, to effectively hinder the spread of the Good News that will liberate the captives of sin and death. Our flesh and its lusts are the "fifth column" of evil. Our flesh will sin. Satan knows it. Every time we do he is quick to hammer us with guilt and doubt in an attempt to beat us down and discourage us. We need to repent of our sin (forsake it and return to the obedience of God's Word) and remember that we stand forgiven. *"If we confess our sins (repent), He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins."* Repentance is the return to obedience. Turn from sin and back to walking in the Spirit or obedient faithfulness as many times a day as the Spirit makes you aware of sin. If you stub your toe on the way to the kitchen for ice cream, you don't quit. You may hop around a bit, but you still go. Either you continue obeying God's Word, or you don't. It's a conscious choice you make with each decision of your day. The key to successful choices is; *"in ALL thy ways acknowledge [God] (think about and obey His Word) and He (God is His Word) shall direct thy paths."* The way we acknowledge God's Word is to obey it. We know it through consistent study of and meditation in God's Word. *"And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind (thinking on God's Word), that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God."* If you don't know proper procedure, you can't perform proper procedure. You are an Overcomer through your Master who Commands even the elements to your benefit if you do right. *"Seek ye FIRST, the Kingdom of God and His righteousness, and ALL these things shall be added unto you."* Commands from our Captain will win the battles and skirmishes of life if we obey. His Word is Perfect, Pure, and Powerful. Remember WHO and WHAT you are in Christ Jesus; *"more than conqueror."* The next time the "Tokyo Rose" of hell whispers to your soul in the midst of the conflict, "You might as well give up! You can't win!" remember, *"in ALL THESE THINGS we are MORE THAN CONQUERORS through Him (Christ is the Word) that Loved us."* Remember, Jesus has *"overcome the world. Be of good cheer! It is finished!"* God's Word is the "Armour of God." We *"put on the whole Armour"* through obedience. You won't obey what you don't believe. Obey God, and you are the winner!

Our Lord has given us Great Peace,
So we can live with minds at ease,
The trials of life we must endure,
Just remember, our hope's secure. –CGP

It is definitely an arduous task, but there is no need to be disheartened or discouraged. *"Having done all, stand."* We need only hold the high ground of obedience until we see Jesus!

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