

Jesus Overcame

John 16:16-33

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Jesus does not promise an EASIER life. Jesus promises PEACE because he overcame the WORLD.

How do we live faithfully in a world with so much sorrow, confusion, and opposition?

John 16:25-33 – “I have said these things to you in figures of speech. The hour is coming when I will no longer speak to you in figures of speech but will tell you plainly about the Father. In that day you will ask in my name, and I do not say to you that I will ask the Father on your behalf; for the Father himself loves you, because you have loved me and have believed that I came from God. I came from the Father and have come into the world, and now I am leaving the world and going to the Father. ” His disciples said, “Ah, now you are speaking plainly and not using figurative speech! Now we know that you know all things and do not need anyone to question you; this is why we believe that you came from God. ” Jesus answered them, “Do you now believe? Behold, the hour is coming, indeed it has come, when you will be scattered, each to his own home, and will leave me alone. Yet I am not alone, for the Father is with me. I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world. ”

The WORLD is anywhere where ETHICS for living in REBELLION against God live.

Christian VICTORY looks like LOSING in the world’s eyes.

Living the Peace from Jesus:

Practice DEPENDENCE.

CHANGE your REQUESTS.

Measure FAITHFULNESS not OUTCOMES.

Small Group Questions:

Why did Jesus not promise Christians an easier life?

Define the term "ethics."

Where do biblical ethics come from? Worldly ethics?

How do ethics grow within us?

Why does a win for Jesus look like a loss in the world? Why is it important to see the difference?