

Word of the Year 2018

“Victory”

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Victory: “an act of defeating an enemy or opponent” (success, triumph, conquest, win)

We are believing God that 2018 is The Year of Victory...in our health, relationships, finances, schools, jobs, temptations, church, community, etc.

1 John 5:4-5 (NLT)

“For every child of God defeats this evil world, and we achieve this VICTORY through our faith. And who can win this battle against the world? Only those who believe that Jesus is the Son of God.”

-Victory comes through FAITH.

Deuteronomy 20:4 (NLT)

“For the Lord your God is going with you! He will fight for you against your enemies, and he will give you VICTORY!”

-Victory comes when we let the Lord fight FOR US.

(Interesting note: the PRIEST addresses the troops before battle)

John 16:33 (NIV)

“I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have OVERCOME the world.””

-Victory comes through gaining PEACE in our hearts.

1 Corinthians 10:13 (ESV)

“No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the WAY OF ESCAPE, that you may be able to ENDURE (suffer something painful or difficult patiently) it.”

-Sometimes...Victory can LOOK LIKE defeat. (MLK JR.) We often think of a victorious position looking like the winner of the game “king of the hill” ...and while that may sometimes be the case, victory can also look like a man on his knees, a woman raising her hands, or a child giving up his lunch.