

SERMON NOTES

Overcome

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Meditation Verse

And they overcame him because of the blood of the Lamb, and because of the word of their testimony; and they loved not their life even unto death.

Revelation 12:11 ASV

What things are we to overcome as a believer?

1. **Overcome evil.** - Romans 12:21 - *Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.*
2. **Overcome the world.** - John 16:33 - *These things I have spoken to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you have tribulation, but take courage; I have overcome the world.*

Three things listed as part of the world.

- **Overcome the lust of the flesh.** - 2 Timothy 2:2 - *Now flee from youthful lusts, and pursue righteousness, faith, love and peace, with those who call on the Lord from a pure heart.*
 - **Overcome the Lust of the Eyes.** - Mark 4:19 - *And the worries of the world, the deceitfulness of riches, and the desires for other things enter in and choke the Word and it becomes unfruitful.*
 - **Overcome the Pride of Life.** - Proverbs 16:18 (CSB) - *Pride comes before destruction, and an arrogant spirit before a fall.*
3. **Overcome Satan.** - Rev. 12:11 - *And they overcame him because of the blood of the Lamb and because of the Word of their testimony, and they did not love their life even to death.*

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What are the rewards of the overcomers?

Revelation	Promise
2:7	He will eat of the tree of life.
2:11	He will not be hurt by the second death.
2:26	He will be given authority over the nations.
3:5	He shall be clothed in white garments.
3:5	Christ shall not erase his name from the book of life.
3:12	He will be made a pillar in the temple of God.
3:21	He will be granted to sit down with Christ on His throne.

Crowns will also be given as rewards.

- **The imperishable Crown** - 1 Cor. 9:24-25 - *Now they do it to get a crown that will not last, but we do it for a crown that will last forever.*
- **The Crown of Rejoicing** - Rev. 21:4 - *The crown of rejoicing will be your reward where God will wipe away every tear.*
- **The Crown of Righteousness** - 2 Tim. 4:8 - *Finally there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the Righteous Judge will give me on that day.* Phil. 3:20
- **The Crown of Glory** - 1 Pet. 5:4 - *And when the Chief Shepard appears, you will receive the crown of glory that does not fade away.*
- **The Crown of Life** - Hebrews 12:2 - *...and receive the crown of life that awaits us.*

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