

Eyes on the King: Church of Smyrna

Sermon: Eyes on the King
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*He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To him who **overcomes**, I will grant to eat of the tree of life which is in the Paradise of God. Revelation 2:7 NASB*

Overcome: To conquer, be victorious, to win a legal case

Some people never overcome because they are overconfident
Some people never overcome because they are overanxious
Some people never overcome because they are overboard
Some people never overcome because they are overlooking
Some people never overcome because they are overindulging

Revelation 2:8-10

Vs 9 God wants to resource your identity, not just your circumstances

Circumstances often reveal insecurities

"I'm stupid"	"I'm punished"
"I'm abandoned"	"I'm damaged"
"I'm rejected"	"I'm ashamed"
"I'm alone"	

Who's opinion matters the most sets our value the most

You belong to your father, the devil, and you want to carry out your father's desires. He was a murderer from the beginning, not holding to the truth, for there is no truth in him. When he lies, he speaks his native language, for he is a liar and the father of lies. John 8:44

True Self

Loved
Worthy
Forgiven
Accepted
Significant

False Self

Shamed
Rejected
Worthless
Despised
Insignificant

vs. 10

-Overcoming doesn't mean there won't be seasons of Overwhelming

-Overcoming is at the intersection of Perseverance and Promise

In his kindness God called you to share in his eternal glory by means of Christ Jesus. So after you have suffered a little while, he will restore, support, and strengthen you, and he will place you on a firm foundation. 1 Peter 5:10 NLT

Keep the Faith (Promise) Overcome will be your Outcome

QUESTIONS:

1-Who do you look up to as an overcomer? What do these verses say about overcoming?

John 1:5, John 16:33, 1 John 4:4, 1 John 5:4,5

2-Are you a poor/rich person? Or, are you a rich/poor person?
Rev 2:9, James 2:5

3-In the table of True Self and False Self - which of these are you most prone to fall into believing the false self statement?

4-Have you had times when you have been tempted to give up your faith? What has kept you from giving up?

We live in the promise of the King's victory through His presence and His power!