



WORSHIP

VICTORY OVER SIN

Objective for Learning: To understand how to be victorious over sin by completely relying on the Holy Spirit, hearing God's voice and trusting in the promises from the Word of God.

Objective for Living: To develop a pattern of hearing God's voice and knowing God's promises that leads to a lifestyle of freedom and victory over sin.

Objective for Reproducing: To lead others in becoming victorious over sin by helping them to rely on the Holy Spirit, hearing God's voice and trusting in the promises of God.

Scriptures for Victory Over Sin:

- 1 John 5:4
- Deuteronomy 20:4
- 1 Corinthians 10:13
- 2 Peter 1:3-4
- James 1:14-15
- John 16:33
- Ephesians 6:10, 13
- Proverbs 21:31
- 1 Corinthians 15:55-57
- Zechariah 4:6

How do each of these Scriptures help to **define** and **illuminate** what victory over sin is and why it is important?

Hearing (Discussion Points and Questions):

Overview:

God has given us all things to lead a life of freedom and victory over sin. He does not expect us to overcome sin by our own might or power but by His Spirit (Zechariah 4:6) who gives us the victory through Jesus Christ (1 Corinthians 15:57). We have been born of God, our faith in Him is the victory that overcomes sin, and He has granted to us His precious and very great promises so that through them we may escape our sinful

desires and be free (2 Peter 1:3-4). We must mediate and stand firm on His promises, knowing who we are in Christ. We are called to be strong in the Lord by taking up His armor and believing His promises. When we do so, we can withstand temptation (Ephesians 6:10, 13).

We are tempted when we have been lured and enticed by our own desire. When desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin and grows until it is fully-grown. When fully grown that sin brings death (James 1:14-15). When you sin, repent and God is just to forgive you (1 John 1:9). Determine where your sin first started, the cause of it, and the amount that it is controlling you. Then place restraints or boundaries around this sin until the Holy Spirit has reformed you in this area. Don't let shame, condemnation or temptation overtake you! There is a way into freedom that is directed by the Lord (1 Corinthians 10:13) if we press in to His promises, who He is, and who we are in Him.

Questions for Learning and Living:

- If someone asked you how to have victory over sin that they cannot overcome, what would you say?
- Do you have any sins that you feel trapped in and cannot overcome? Which of these scriptures give you hope?
- What are some of the hardest things that make overcoming sin difficult?
- How can you ensure that you are consistently becoming victorious over sin?

Questions for Reproducing:

- Do you know of anyone who is struggling with habitual sin?
 - What are some things that you could do to help them gain confidence in being able to overcome?
- Which scriptures would you share with them to help them see the truth that we can have victory over sin? (Name at least 4-5 scriptures)

Doing (Implementation and Application):

- What is Jesus saying to you about this?
- How are you going to respond? Look at your personal discipleship assessment.
 - Give 1-3 concrete action steps that you are going to do this week to help you take the next step of learning, living, or reproducing in this area.
- Choose one of the Scriptures that really impacted you and commit to memorizing it this week.