

## FAITH IN THE GREATER ONE

*1 John 4:4* You are of God, little children, and have overcome them, because He who is in you is greater than he who is in the world.

We read in the Old Testament that God spoke to His people who were facing the enemy, and said, “The battle is not yours, but God's.” *2 Chronicles 20:15*. He also spoke through the prophet in verse 17, “Stand still and see the salvation of the Lord, who is with you.” Their attention was being redirected away from themselves, from the armies coming against them, and their own resources. Their attention was focused on the One who is greater than all. God had the armies of heaven at His command, and a people who were willing to follow His orders. This meant their victory was assured.

The same applies to us today. These Old Testament saints recognised that the God of heaven and earth was enthroned in heaven, but they did not know the wonder and the power of Christ enthroned in their hearts, as we do today. This has been made possible because Jesus actually visited earth, taking on Himself our likeness, and as a man filled with the Spirit of God He overcame sin, death, hell and all the hosts of darkness. Imagine the possibilities. Forget the limitations you are so familiar with in yourself. The greater One lives in you!

The apostle John even goes so far as to say, “...little children, you have overcome them (evil spirits).” How could he say such a thing, putting this victory in the past tense, and seemingly crediting it to our account? It was for this very reason he could make such a bold statement: He who has overcome the world, the flesh and the devil, now lives inside of us. From that place He continues to establish His rule and authority on earth and in our lives.

With these things in mind we can today look at life fearlessly, knowing that, though faced with the battles of life, it is not ours but God's. Our enemy is His enemy. When he comes after us he is coming after God. We have the assurance in our hearts that because God is for us, nothing and no one can succeed against us.

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The tempter's power is broken. Count on that. Believe that and you will rise in victory every time an onslaught from the enemy would come against you. It is finished. It is settled.

Confusion comes to your mind when you focus on the attack, the symptom, the lie. Look beyond. Look beyond it to the cross and see the work is complete. There is nothing more to do but just believe. Know that what I did there, what

I accomplished at the cross was for you. So now you can be valiant in your fight of faith, for you share in My victory.

You too can enjoy the spoils of this battle I won, for I won the victory on your behalf. Don't settle for anything less than

**total victory!**