

# Welcome to Rehoboth New Life Center Sunday May 14<sup>th</sup> 2023

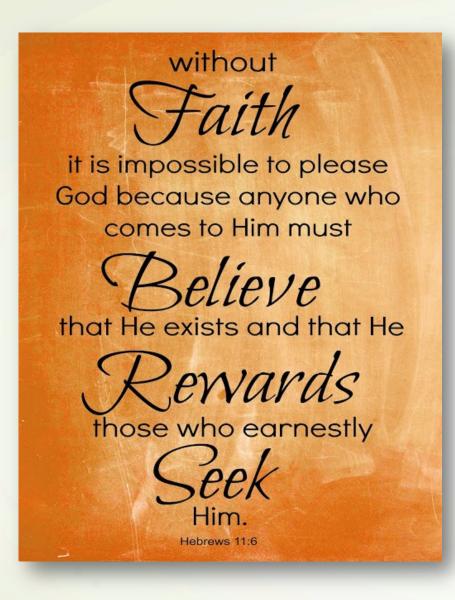
## The Overcomer

#### Part 1



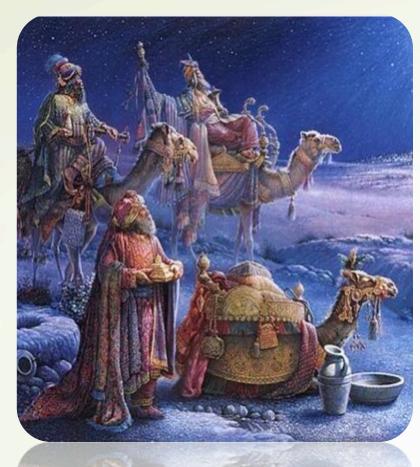
1 John 5:4, "For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith."

## The Overcomers Faith: Diligence!



Hebrews 11:6 But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.

#### The Overcomers faith



Wise men still seek him!

Matthew 2:1 Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judaea in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem,

8 And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said, Go and search diligently for the young child; and when ye have found him, bring me word again, that I may come and worship him also. 9 ¶When they had heard the king, they departed; and, lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was.

10 When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy. 11 And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh.

#### Overcoming Faith ...

#### Is where believing becomes seeing!



Faith is seeing what has not yet been manifested to your senses

- John 20:24 But Thomas, one of the twelve, called Didymus, was not with them when Jesus came.
- 25 The other disciples therefore said unto him, We have seen the Lord. But he said unto them, Except I shall see in his hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and thrust my hand into his side, I will not believe.

#### For the Overcomer, believing is seeing



- •2 Kings 6:17
- And Elisha prayed, and said, LORD, I pray thee, open his eyes, that he may see.
- And the LORD opened the eyes of the young man; and he saw: and, behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire round about Elisha.

#### You wont receive it, unless you can see it!

- Two types of vision
- From God



Habakkuk 2:2 And the LORD answered me, and said, Write the vision, and make it plain upon tables, that he may run that readeth it.

Habakkuk 2:3 For the vision is yet for an appointed time, but at the end it shall speak, and not lie: though it tarry, wait for it; because it will surely come, it will not tarry.

#### The Overcomer: "In Christ I can do all things!"



Reflected in the mirror of his grace We are made perfect the first step in the operation of faith!

• Hebrews 11:6 But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.

Hebrews 12:2 Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.

#### Things We May Need To Overcome



- Our Past
- Fear of failing
- Lack of finances
- Addictions
- Bad Attitude
- Sickness/Depression
- Failed Relationships
- Sinful Relationships
- Pride
- Lust
- Hatred/Enmity against us

#### Overcoming Our Past



- Luke 7:37 And, behold, a woman in the city, which was a sinner, when she knew that Jesus sat at meat in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster box of ointment,
- 38 And stood at his feet behind him weeping, and began to wash his feet with tears, and did wipe them with the hairs of her head, and kissed his feet, and anointed them with the ointment.

#### Overcoming Our Past



- 44 And he turned to the woman, and said unto Simon, Seest thou this woman? I entered into thine house, thou gavest me no water for my feet: but she hath washed my feet with tears, and wiped them with the hairs of her head.
- 45 Thou gavest me no kiss: but this woman since the time I came in hath not ceased to kiss my feet.

#### Overcoming Our Past



- 46 My head with oil thou didst not anoint: but this woman hath anointed my feet with ointment.
- 47 Wherefore I say unto thee, Her sins, which are many, are forgiven; **for she loved much**: but to whom little is forgiven, the same loveth little.
- 48 And he said unto her, Thy sins are forgiven.
- 50 And he said to the woman, Thy faith hath saved thee; go in peace.



#### Overcoming Fear

- John 11:1 ¶Now a certain man was sick, named Lazarus, of Bethany, the town of Mary and her sister Martha.
- 2 (It was that Mary which anointed the Lord with ointment, and wiped his feet with her hair, whose brother Lazarus was sick.)
- 3 Therefore his sisters sent unto him, saying, Lord, behold, he whom thou lovest is sick.
- 4 When Jesus heard that, he said, This sickness is not unto death, but for the glory of God, that the Son of God might be glorified thereby.
- 5 Now Jesus loved Martha, and her sister, and Lazarus.

#### Overcoming Loss



- John 11:17 ¶Then when Jesus came, he found that he had lain in the grave four days already.
- 18 Now Bethany was nigh unto Jerusalem, about fifteen furlongs off:
- 19 And many of the Jews came to Martha and Mary, to comfort them concerning their brother.
- 20 Then Martha, as soon as she heard that Jesus was coming, went and met him: but Mary sat still in the house.
- 21 Then said Martha unto Jesus, Lord, if thou hadst been here, my brother had not died.
- 22 But I know, that even now, whatsoever thou wilt ask of God, God will give it thee.
- 23 Jesus saith unto her, Thy brother shall rise again.

#### Overcoming Loss



- John 11:33 ¶When Jesus therefore saw her weeping, and the Jews also weeping which came with her, he groaned in the spirit, and was troubled,
- 34 And said, Where have ye laid him? They said unto him, Lord, come and see.
- 35 Jesus wept.
- 36 Then said the Jews, Behold how he loved him!
- 37 And some of them said, Could not this man, which opened the eyes of the blind, have caused that even this man should not have died?
- 38 Jesus therefore again groaning in himself cometh to the grave. It was a cave, and a stone lay upon it.

#### Overcoming Death



John 11:41 Then they took away the stone from the place where the dead was laid. And Jesus lifted up his eyes, and said, Father, I thank thee that thou hast heard me.

42 And I knew that thou hearest me always:

- but because of the people which stand by I said it, that they may believe that thou hast sent me.
- 43 And when he thus had spoken, he cried with a loud voice, Lazarus, come forth.
- 44 And he that was dead came forth, bound hand and foot with graveclothes: and his face was bound about with a napkin. Jesus saith unto them, Loose him, and let him go.

#### Some Overcomers!

AT MY LOWEST: GOD
IS MY HOPE
AT MY DARKEST: GOD
IS MY LIGHT
AT MY WEAKEST: GOD
IS MY STRENGTH
AT MY SADDEST: GOD
IS MY COMFORTER
I AM the Generation

Hebrews 11:17 By faith Abraham, when he was tried, offered up Isaac: and he that had received the promises offered up his only begotten son,

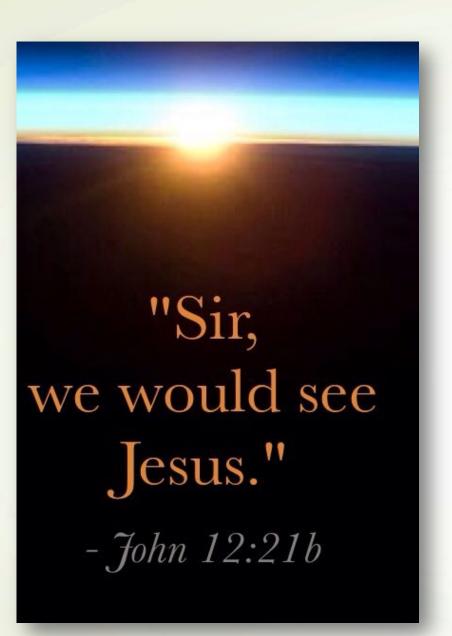
- 18 Of whom it was said, That in Isaac shall thy seed be called:
- 19 Accounting that God was able to raise him up, even from the dead; from whence also he received him in a figure.
- 20 By faith Isaac blessed Jacob and Esau concerning things to come.
- 21 By faith Jacob, when he was a dying, blessed both the sons of Joseph; and worshipped, leaning upon the top of his staff.
- 33 Who through faith subdued kingdoms, wrought righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions,
- 34 Quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were made strong, waxed valiant in fight, turned to flight the armies of the aliens.
- Women received their dead raised to life again: and others were tortured, not accepting deliverance; that they might obtain a better resurrection:
- 36 And others had trial of cruel mockings and scourgings, yea, moreover of bonds and

#### Overcoming!



- David overcame his fear and intimidation when he faced Goliath with a sling and a stone. He also overcame his guilt when he sinned with Bathsheba and murdered Uriah.
- Elijah overcame his depression and despair when he fled from Jezebel and wanted to die.
- Daniel overcame his temptation and refused to defile himself with the king's food. He also overcame his persecution and prayed to God despite the threat of the lions' den
- Paul overcame his blindness and pride when he encountered Jesus on the road to Damascus. He also overcame his hardships and opposition when he preached the gospel to the Gentiles

## The Overcomers key: Seeing Jesus!



Hebrews 12:2 Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.

"looking" actually carries the meaning of "looking away from all others toward one"

John 12:21 The same came therefore to Philip, which was of Bethsaida of Galilee, and desired him, saying, Sir, we would see Jesus.

#### The Overcomer: Never Gives up



Proverbs 24:16 For a just man falleth seven times, and riseth up again: but the wicked shall fall into mischief.



#### The promises of an overcomer

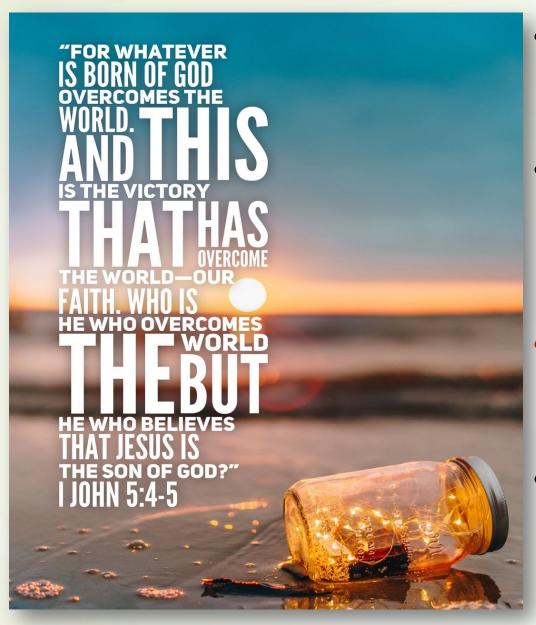


- Revelation 2:7 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God.
- Revelation 2:11 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; He that overcometh shall not be hurt of the second death.
- Revelation 2:17 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the hidden manna, and will give him a white stone, and in the stone a new name written, which no man knoweth saving he that receiveth it.
- Revelation 2:26 And he that overcometh, and keepeth my works unto the end, to him will I give power over the nations:

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- Revelation 3:5 He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life, but I will confess his name before my Father, and before his angels.
- Revelation 3:12 Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of my God, and he shall go no more out: and I will write upon him the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God, which is new Jerusalem, which cometh down out of heaven from my God: and I will write upon him my new name.
- Revelation 3:21 To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne.
- Revelation 21:7 He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he shall be my son.

#### What Does It Mean To Be Born Of God?



- Luke 3:38 Which was the son of Enos, which was the son of Seth, which was the son of Adam, which was the son of God.
- John 1:12 But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name:
- 13 Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.
- 14 And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.