

Title: Called to overcome
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our inheritance

revelation 21:6-7

⁶ And He said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. I will give of the fountain of the water of life freely to him who thirsts. ⁷ He who overcomes shall inherit all things, and I will be his God and he shall be My son.

the seven churches

1. Ephesus: Jesus no longer first love.
2. Smyrna: Persecution (don't fear death).
3. Pergamos: False doctrines and idols.
4. Thyatira: Sexual immorality.
5. Sardis: Dead religion.
6. Philadelphia: Testing of faith (remain faithful).
7. Laodicea: Passivity.

what do we need to overcome

1. The fallen world.
2. The devil and his evil spirits.
3. The temptations of the flesh.

1. faith in the Son of God

1 john 5:4-5

⁴ For whatever is **born of God overcomes the world**. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—**our faith**. ⁵ Who is he who overcomes the world, but he who **believes** that Jesus is the Son of God?

john 16:33

These things I have spoken to you, that **in Me** you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, **I have overcome the world.**"

2. faith in His word

1 john 2:14b

I have written to you, young men, Because you are strong, and the **word of God abides in you**, And you have overcome the wicked one.

psalm 119:9-11

⁹ How can a young man cleanse his way? By taking heed according to Your word. ¹⁰ With my whole heart I have sought You; Oh, let me not wander from Your commandments! ¹¹ Your word I have hidden in my heart, That I might not sin against You.

3. faith leading to action

romans 12:20-21 (ESV)

²⁰ To the contrary, "if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink; for by so doing you will heap burning coals on his head." ²¹ Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

psalm 112:5-6 (NLT)

⁵ Good comes to those who lend money generously and conduct their business fairly. ⁶ Such people will not be overcome by evil. Those who are righteous will be long remembered.

Jesus to the seven churches

1. Holds the seven stars in His right hand, who walks in the midst of the seven golden lampstands (Rev. 2:1b).
2. The First and the Last, who was dead, and came to life (Rev. 2:8b).
3. He who has the sharp two-edged sword (Rev. 2:12b).
4. Eyes like a flame of fire, feet like fine brass (Rev. 2:18b).
5. He who has the seven Spirits of God and the seven stars (Rev. 3:1b).
6. He who is holy, true, has the key of David, opens and no one shuts, shuts and no one opens (Rev. 3:7b).
7. The Amen, Faithful and True Witness, Beginning of the creation of God (Rev. 3:14b).