

you don't overcome it can be removed or blotted out. To keep your name written in the book of life you must overcome. You must overcome your flesh (sin nature), the world and Satan and his demon armies. How does the Christian overcome in all of these three battle fronts of spiritual warfare? We start at home with our flesh, our sin nature. It is your flesh that connects you to the spiritual realms of the fallen world and Satan's kingdom of demons. If you can overcome evil here, you will also overcome it in these other two spheres.

After being born again the Christians spirit man becomes alive to the Spirit of God. Scripture calls the spirit man, "the new man" and your sin nature, "the old man". Even after the new birth your old man remains a part of the fallen world of Satan's kingdom and must be crucified in Christ.

Galatians 2:20

20 I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.

Galatians 5:24

24 And those who are Christ's have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

Through the symbolic act of water baptism, the Christian displays to the world that he or she is willing to die to self and live for Christ. They are symbolically showing their willingness to die to their old life, their old man, and rise from the watery grave to live for the new man, a new life in Christ.

This agreement is first positional in Christ's death and resurrection by faith. However, this faith must be shown in order for it to be true faith. True faith is always revealed by what we say and do.

The symbolism is worthless if it does not reflect a heart that is truly given to the will of the Father. Therefore this faith must be walked out from day to day or proven through obedience to the Father's will expressed by obedience to the leading of the Holy Spirit. Paul said "I die daily".

We must agree with the cross, the death sentence that is on our old man. This reckoning the old man dead must be proven or walked out in our daily lives. We walk out the death of our old man be continually resisting temptation and sin on a daily basis. It is by our behaviour that true faith is expressed and the Christian overcomes his or her sin nature. Our whole soul must be sanctified or made holy: wholly His. Every sin door that Satan uses in your soul to gain entry must be closed. This is done by forsaking sin. Resisting the old man and reckoning him dead in Christ. It is here, with our old man, our sin nature, our flesh that we overcome sin. It is here that through the overcoming of the flesh, that we overcome the world and Satan and his kingdom of demons. The battlefield is first your own flesh.

Galatians 5:19-21

*19 Now the works of the flesh are evident, which are: adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lewdness, 20 idolatry, sorcery, (witchcraft KJV which works through rebellion see message: **Rebellion**) hatred, contentions, jealousies, outbursts of wrath, selfish ambitions, dissensions, heresies, 21*

*envy, murders, drunkenness, revelries, and the like; of which I tell you beforehand, just as I also told you in time past, that **those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.***

Revelation 12:11

11 And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death.

1. The Blood of the lamb - This is Christ's shed blood, the sacrifice for sin, the sin debt paid in Christ. This is the Christians position in the spirit. The spirit man set free from sin. It is from here, from this position that the Christian lives to draw strength for the battle against the flesh. It is from the application of this truth by faith, that the Christian is positioned to overcome the sin nature, the world and Satan and his kingdom of demons.

2. The word of their testimony - This is your confession of faith. You declaring the victory of the blood of the lamb, in the face of Satan, his demons, the world and the temptations of sin through your flesh. This declaration is proclaimed by what we think, say and do. What you think, say and how you act, becomes our word of testimony, your faith declaration upholding and manifesting the truth of the blood of the lamb. This declaring actually manifests the truth of the blood of the lamb, the message of the cross and becomes the weapon of power the Christian uses to overcome.

3. Did not love their lives unto death - This is the hatred of sin in your own life to the point where you are willing to go to the wall in your war against sin. You are willing to crucify your own flesh

and put it to death daily. This mind set will have you remaining in the cross, living out the preaching of the cross, the crucified life, continuing along the narrow way, walking in the Spirit, obeying the Spirit, and working out your salvation from day to day with fear and trembling. You are willing to lay it all down. You love not your life to the point of death.

Philippians 2:12

*12 Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, **work out your own salvation with fear and trembling;***

John 12:25

*25 He who loves his life will lose it, and he who **hates his life in this world** (this is the life of your sin nature: pride, rebellion, greed, jealousy, lust, ect.) Will keep it for eternal life.*

You love Christ more than your sin nature, the world and Satan and his kingdom of demons. You hate your life, your sin nature, in this arena compared to your love for Christ.

This is how you overcome and keep your name written in the lambs book of life. It is 1. 2. 3. **1. The blood of the Lamb**, your **2. testimony** in response to the blood of the lamb, the message of the cross. It is you dying daily to preach that message. You have to live the message which becomes your sin nature being put to death daily. The third part: they **3. did not love their lives unto death.**

Revelation 3:5

5 He who overcomes shall be clothed in