

# The Benefits of Salvation Series

## Promises Given to an Overcomer Part Two

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**Because Jesus the Christ offered Himself as Sacrifice to bear the penalty of our sin, those in Christ are no longer alienated from the Father. There is peace through the blood of the Cross. Those in Christ find that what Jesus has done propitiates the wrath of God against the personal offense against God that sin is. Those in Christ find that their sin is not just covered, but cleansed and that the blood of Christ purges the conscience from dead works to serve the Living God; that they are accepted in the Beloved. Those in Christ find that they are now redeemed by the Blood of the Lamb, their sin and guilt paid for and divine justice satisfied. Satan has been defeated. Jesus did not bypass the Cross to get to the glory. Neither should we.**

Jesus Christ overcame. We overcome in Him in the power of the Holy Spirit who preserves and enables us to persevere unto the end. We see this all come together in **Revelation 12:11: And they [the brethren] overcame him by the blood of the Lamb [the ground of victory], and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death.**

What is promised to those that overcome in Christ?

- 1.Revelation 2:7 says “To him that overcomes will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God.”**
- 2.Revelation 2:11 says “He that overcomes shall not be hurt of the second death.”** The second death is eternal separation from God. Nothing can separate the overcomer from the love of Christ. (Romans 8)
- 3.Revelation 2:17 says “To him that overcomes will I give to eat of the hidden manna.”** Manna was the miracle bread from heaven that fed the Children of Israel for 40 years in the wilderness. The hidden manna here is Jesus. **John 6: 32 – 33 “Then Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Moses gave you not that bread from heaven; but my Father giveth you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is he which cometh down from heaven, and giveth life unto the world.”** Jesus is the hidden manna, the Bible says in **2Corinthians 4:3 But if our gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them”** Jesus is this gospel and He is hid from the eyes of man, both naturally and spiritually in many cases, but when someone becomes an overcomer, he/she will be able to taste and see that the Lord is good.
- 4.Revelation 2:17 says “and will give him a white stone,”** It is a promise of acquittal and admittance.

a.) The promise of acquittal: when a person was tried of a crime the judge would hear the case and make his decision by giving either a white stone which said the person was innocent or a black stone which stated that the person was guilty. God promises an overcomer a white stone, meaning acquitted. Believers are declared not guilty on the ground of Jesus' sacrifice in their behalf, not because they are in themselves innocent. Their sins are forgiven, taken away.

b.) The promise of admittance: when a person tried to get into a certain organization or club the members of the organization would cast a secret vote as to whether or not to grant acceptance. They would place either a white stone or a black stone in the box; if the stones were all white the person was accepted into the organization. However if the stone was black it said that the person had not been accepted into that organization. They were "black-balled." Here God promises to accept those chosen in Christ into His family. These are adopted into the sonship of God making them heirs of God and joint heirs with Jesus Christ.

5. Revelation 2:17 says "and in the stone a new name written, which no man knows saving he that receives it." When we become an overcomer, we will receive a new name.

6. Revelation 2:26 says "And he that overcomes, and keeps my works unto the end, to him will I give power over the nations."

7. Revelation 3:5 says "He that overcomes, the same shall be clothed in white raiment." White raiment means righteousness, not our righteousness, but Christ's, "unsullied glory". (Pulpit Commentary) Some believe this refers to the Shekinah Glory surrounding an overcomer. Cf. Revelation 19:8; Revelation 3:4.

8. Revelation 3:5 says "and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life." Those in the book of life have eternal life.

9. Revelation 3:5 says "but I will confess his name before my Father, and before his angels." See Matthew 10:32, 33 and Luke 12:8.

10. Revelation 3:12 says "Him that overcomes I will make a pillar in the temple of my God." A pillar is the support of a structure. As long as the pillar stands the structure will stand.

11. Revelation 3:12 "and I will write upon him the name of my God." This refers to the scripture in Revelation 7:3 "Saying, Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads." The sealing of the forehead shows to whom you belong. When He writes the name upon the overcomer it says see this one is mine.

12. Revelation 3:12 "and the name of the city of my God, [which is] New Jerusalem,"

13. Revelation 3:21 "To him that overcomes 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." The throne speaks of a place of authority, the seat of authority.

14. Revelation 21:7 "He that overcomes shall inherit all things;"

15. Revelation 21:7 “and I will be his God”

16. Revelation 21:7 “and he shall be my son.”

<sup>31</sup>What then shall we say to these things? If God *is* for us, who *can be* against us? <sup>32</sup>He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things? <sup>33</sup>Who shall bring a charge against God’s elect? *It is* God who justifies. <sup>34</sup>Who *is* he who condemns? *It is* Christ who died, and furthermore is also risen, who is even at the right hand of God, who also makes intercession for us. <sup>35</sup>Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? *Shall* tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? <sup>36</sup>As it is written:

“For Your sake we are killed all day long;  
We are accounted as sheep for the slaughter.”

<sup>37</sup>Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors [overcomers] through Him who loved us. <sup>38</sup>For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, <sup>39</sup>nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord. Romans 8:31-39 NKJV

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