

FAKE NEWS – Exposing the Lies of the Devil

VICTORY OR DEFEAT

John 8:31-36

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Q. How can you live a life of victory and not a life of defeat?

A. By recognizing the lies of the devil and applying the truth.

1. The Lord wants you to have eternal victory in heaven.

A. A true disciple comes to Jesus on His terms.

B. A true disciple continues in Jesus and obeys His Word.

"He who has My commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves Me." John 14:21

2. The Lord wants you to have daily victory on earth.

A. A true disciple still experiences the presence and pull of sin.

For I know that nothing good dwells in me, that is, in my flesh; for the wishing is present in me, but the doing of the good is not. For the good that I wish, I do not do; but I practice the very evil that I do not wish. Romans 7:18-19

B. A true disciple walks in victory by walking in the truth.

O Lord, who may abide in Your tent? Who may dwell on Your holy hill? He who walks with integrity, and works righteousness, and speaks truth in his heart. Psalm 15:1-2

1. God's love for you is not based on your performance.

But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. Romans 5:8

2. God's acceptance of you is not based on your performance.

... to the praise of the glory of his grace, by which He made us accepted in the Beloved. Ephesians 1:6 NKJV

3. God's forgiveness of your sins is complete and total.

If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 1 John 1:9

4. God's will and ways are good, and His grace is sufficient.

And He has said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is perfected in weakness." Most gladly, therefore, I will rather boast about my weaknesses, that the power of Christ may dwell in me. 2 Corinthians 12:9

5. God's Spirit will never leave you and will lead you.

But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not carry out the desire of the flesh. For the flesh sets its desire against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; for these are in opposition to one another, so that you may not do the things that you please. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the Law.
Galatians 5:16-18

Victory is not a pipedream; it is a promise to be claimed.