# THE GOSPEL FAITH MISSION INTERNATIONAL

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#### TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY OUTLINE

**TOPIC: CONQUERING FAITH** 

TEXT: 1 John 5:4

Conquering Faith is a steadfast, living trust in God that empowers believers to overcome the trials, temptations, fears, and battles of life through the victory that Jesus Christ has already secured. It is not passive belief, but an active, overcoming confidence in God's promises, presence, and power.

Biblical Definition and Key Scripture.1 John 5:4 (KJV): "For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith." This verse defines conquering faith as the victory that enables believers to overcome the world—meaning its sin, temptations, opposition, and spiritual darkness.

## **Characteristics of Conquering Faith**

**Rooted in Christ:** Faith that conquers must be anchored in Jesus, who has already conquered sin, death, and the powers of darkness. John 16:33 – "Be of good cheer; I have overcome the world."

**Born from Spiritual Rebirth:** It comes from being "born of God." Only those who are spiritually reborn can exercise this type of victorious faith.1 John 5:1 – "Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God..."

Empowered by the Holy Spirit: The Spirit gives strength, discernment, and guidance to live above fear and failure. Romans 8:14 – "As many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God."

**Tested Through Trials**: Conquering faith is not the absence of struggles, but the resilience to stand firm in the middle of them. James 1:3 – "The trying of your faith worketh patience."

**Expressed Through Obedience:** Faith that conquers is not only belief in God's Word but also obedience to His commands. Hebrews 11 – The heroes of faith overcame by trusting and obeying.

#### **Examples of Conquering Faith in the Bible**

- 1.David vs. Goliath David's faith in God's power enabled him to defeat a giant with just a sling and stone (1 Samuel 17).
- 2.Daniel in the Lions' Den His faith kept him steadfast even under the threat of death (Daniel 6).

- 3. The Woman with the Issue of Blood Her faith led her to touch Jesus' garment and receive healing (Mark 5:25–34).
- 4.Paul and Silas in Prison Their faith caused them to worship in jail, leading to a miraculous release (Acts 16:25–26).

Walking in victory as a believer is not just a theological concept—it's a daily, practical lifestyle empowered by faith in Jesus Christ and the leading of the Holy Spirit. Below are practical, biblical ways you can walk in victory every day:

### Jesus' Provision to Overcome Life's Challenges

#### Text: 1 John 5:4, Romans 8:37, Colossians 2:15, Hebrews 11:1 & 6

Jesus already won the victory on the cross. Conquering faith is not self-confidence, but confidence in Christ. Faith is both belief in God's Word and active trust in His power.

Think of faith like a shield in battle (Ephesians 6:16). It's not just defensive—it blocks the enemy's fiery darts.

## **Practical Ways to Walk in Victory**

## 1. Abide in Christ Daily: John 15:5.

How: 1. Start and end your day in prayer and the Word.2. Maintain conscious awareness of Christ's presence. 3. Let His words influence your decisions and attitude.

Practical Tip: Set daily devotion time and guard it like an important appointment.

## 2. Renew Your Mind with the Word of God: Romans 12:2

How: 1. Replace lies and fears with God's truth.2. Memorize and meditate on Scripture to strengthen your inner life. 3. Speak the Word in every circumstance.

Practical Tip: Keep a verse card or Bible app alert to remind you of a key truth throughout the day.

#### 3. Walk in the Spirit, Not the Flesh: Galatians 5:16

How: 1. Stay sensitive to the Holy Spirit's guidance. 2. Say "no" to sinful desires and impulses. 3. Develop the fruit of the Spirit (Galatians 5:22–23).

Practical Tip: Before reacting in any situation, pause and pray: "Holy Spirit, help me respond in love and wisdom."

4. Put on the Full Armor of God: Ephesians 6:11

How: 1. Daily apply spiritual protection: truth, righteousness, peace, faith, salvation, the Word, and prayer. 2. Resist the devil's lies and temptations actively.

Practical Tip: Pray through the armour of God each morning as part of your routine.

#### **5. Live a Life of Praise and Gratitude:** 1 Thessalonians 5:18

How:1. Praise God even in trials—it shifts your focus from the problem to His power. 2. Gratitude defeats anxiety and discouragement.

Practical Tip: Keep a gratitude journal—write 3 things daily that you're thankful for.

# 6. Stay Connected to God's People: Hebrews 10:25

How:1. Be active in a local church or fellowship.2. Share burdens, pray together, and encourage one another. Practical Tip: Join or start a weekly Bible study or prayer group.

## 7. Guard Your Thoughts and Confession: Proverbs 4:23, 2 Corinthians 10:5

How:1. Reject negative, fearful, or sinful thoughts.2. Speak life, faith, and truth over yourself and others. Practical Tip: When tempted to complain or fear, say a Scripture out loud instead.

# **8. Keep Your Eyes on Eternity:** Colossians 3:2

How:1. Remember your victory is eternal, not just situational.2. Make choices with eternity in mind—not temporary comfort or pleasure.

#### On a final note:

2 Timothy 4:7 (KJV): "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith." The ultimate testimony of a believer is not the absence of struggle but the presence of enduring, conquering faith.