The Over Comers

What is an over comer? (1John 5:5)

Somebody who still believes in Jesus despite all that the world has thrown at them.

Does the Devil want us to be saved?

No. That is why he continually tries to deceive us and make us give up and turn away from God. He doesn't love us. He makes us serve him by tempting us, persecuting us and he holds us in bondage by reminding us of our sins.

Who is the Prince of this world?

Satan.

Why does the Bible say that we have overcome the world if we believe?

Satan's aim is to keep us in bondage so that we can serve him. He doesn't want us to know the truth about God because this would set us free. He throws lots of darts at us to make us doubt God and the redemptive power of the cross. He goes about like a roaring lion trying to scare us away from the truth and he attacks the things that we love in order to make us doubt God's love and his ability to save us. He stirs up dissention by telling half truths

and frank lies. He wants to steel, kill and destroy. However, if we continue to love God and trust him to save us then we have overcome the world, we are saved by God's grace and are truly his children.

How do we overcome the Devil? (Eph 6:10-20; Rev 12:11)

By putting on the full armor of God.

By the Blood of the Lamb

By the Word of our testimony

By not loving our soul lives so much as to shrink back from death.

What does God promise the over comers in the following verses?

Revelations 2:7

They will be given the right to eat from the tree of life which is in the paradise of God.

Revelations 2:11

They will not be hurt at all by the Second Death.

Revelations 2:17

They will be given some of the hidden manna and a white stone with a new name written on it known only to those who receive it.

Revelations 2:26

They will be given authority over the nations and given the morning star.

Revelations 3:5

They will be dressed in white and never have their name blotted out of the book of life and their names will be acknowledged before the Father and the angels by Jesus.

Revelations 3:12

They will be made a pillar in God's temple and remain in it for ever. God will write on them his name as well as his new name and the name of his city.

Revelations 3:21

They will be given the right to sit with Jesus on his throne.

Revelations 21:1-7

As sons of God, they will inherit everything that God intended. God will dwell with them and live with them. They will be his people and God himself will be with them and will be their God. He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain. The old order of things will pass away and God will make everything new.



