

**CHURCH OF THE VALLEY
UNWAVERING FAITH
FAITH OF AN OVERCOMER
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SERMON TEXT

EVERYONE WHO BELIEVES THAT JESUS IS THE CHRIST IS BORN OF GOD, AND EVERYONE WHO LOVES THE FATHER LOVES HIS CHILD AS WELL. 2 THIS IS HOW WE KNOW THAT WE LOVE THE CHILDREN OF GOD: BY LOVING GOD AND CARRYING OUT HIS COMMANDS. 3 IN FACT, THIS IS LOVE FOR GOD: TO KEEP HIS COMMANDS. AND HIS COMMANDS ARE NOT BURDENSOME, 4 FOR EVERYONE BORN OF GOD OVERCOMES THE WORLD. THIS IS THE VICTORY THAT HAS OVERCOME THE WORLD, EVEN OUR FAITH. 5 WHO IS IT THAT OVERCOMES THE WORLD? ONLY THE ONE WHO BELIEVES THAT JESUS IS THE SON OF GOD. 1 JOHN 5:1-5

1.) OUR FAITH IN JESUS HAS IDENTIFIED US AS CHILDREN BORN OF GOD.

EVERYONE WHO BELIEVES THAT JESUS IS THE CHRIST IS BORN OF GOD. 1 JOHN 5:1

2.) OUR OBEDIENCE TO GOD SHOWS OUR LOVE FOR ONE ANOTHER.

THIS IS HOW WE KNOW THAT WE LOVE THE CHILDREN OF GOD: BY LOVING GOD AND CARRYING OUT HIS COMMANDS. 3 IN FACT, THIS IS LOVE FOR GOD: TO KEEP HIS COMMANDS. 1 JOHN 5:2-3

3.) OUR FAITH IN JESUS HAS MADE US OVERCOMERS.

FOR EVERYONE BORN OF GOD OVERCOMES THE WORLD. THIS IS THE VICTORY THAT HAS OVERCOME THE WORLD, EVEN OUR FAITH. 1 JOHN 5:4

"I HAVE TOLD YOU THESE THINGS, SO THAT IN ME YOU MAY HAVE PEACE. IN THIS WORLD YOU WILL HAVE TROUBLE. BUT TAKE HEART! I HAVE OVERCOME THE WORLD." JOHN 16:33

YOU, DEAR CHILDREN, ARE FROM GOD AND HAVE OVERCOME THEM, BECAUSE THE ONE WHO IS IN YOU IS GREATER THAN THE ONE WHO IS IN THE WORLD. 1 JOHN 4:4

LIFE QUESTIONS?

1.) WHAT DEFINES YOU DURING THIS UNUSUAL SEASON, FEAR AND ANXIETY?

OR IS YOUR CONFIDENCE IN JESUS CHRIST WHO HAS OVERCOME EVERYTHING-THEREFORE MAKING YOU AN OVERCOMER?

You, dear children, are from God and have overcome them, because the one who is in you is greater than the one who is in the world. 1 John 4:4

"...no one will take away your joy." John 16:22

2.) DO YOU IDENTIFY AS BEING BORN OF GOD; THEREFORE AN OVERCOMER? IF NOT, OR UNCERTAIN - READ THESE VERSES:

- Romans 3:23...*for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,*
- Romans 6:23...*For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in[a] Christ Jesus our Lord.*
- Romans 5:8...*But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.*
- Romans 10:9...*If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.*

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