

I JOHN 2:15

15 Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

I JOHN 2:16

16 For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.

I JOHN 2:17

17 And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever.

I JOHN 2:16

16 For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the *PRIDE of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.

PRIDE: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 212

alazoneia {al-ad-zon-i'-a} ajlazoneiva

boasting, empty, braggart talk, insolent and empty assurance, which trusts in its own power and resources and shamefully despises and violates divine laws and human rights

GALATIANS 5:16

16 This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh.

GALATIANS 5:17

17 For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would.

ROMANS 6:12

12 Let not sin therefore reign in **your mortal body**, that **ye** should obey it in the lusts thereof.

ROMANS 6:13

13 Neither yield **ye** your members as instruments of unrighteousness unto sin: but yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness unto God.

ROMANS 6:14

14 For sin shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace.

I JOHN 2:16

16 For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.

Genesis 3:6

And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food **[lust of the flesh]**, and that it was pleasant to the eyes **[lust of the eyes]**, and a tree to be desired to make one wise

[the pride of life], she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat.

360-2 LAODICEAN. CHURCH. AGE - CHURCH. AGE. BOOK CPT. 9

Now what are we to overcome? That is the normal question to ask here. But that is not the actual thought of this verse for it is not so much WHAT we are to overcome but HOW we are to overcome.

Now this is logical, for does it matter much WHAT we are to overcome as long as we know HOW we can overcome?

360-3 LAODICEAN. CHURCH. AGE - CHURCH. AGE. BOOK
CPT. 9

A quick look at those Scriptures which involve the Lord Jesus overcoming will bring out the truth of this proposition. In Matthew 4, wherein Jesus is tempted of the devil,

He overcame the personal temptations of Satan by the Word, and by the Word only. In each of the three major trials that corresponded exactly to the temptation of the Garden of Eden, the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eye, and the pride of life, Jesus overcame by the Word.

Eve fell to the personal temptation of Satan by failing to use the Word. Adam fell in direct disobedience to the Word. But Jesus overcame by the Word.

And right now, let me say that this is the only way to be an overcomer, also it is the only way that you can know if you are overcoming, because that Word CAN'T fail.

360-4 LAODICEAN. CHURCH. AGE - CHURCH. AGE. BOOK
CPT. 9

Now notice again how Jesus overcame the world systems of religion. When He was repeatedly badgered by the theologians of His day, He constantly applied the Word.

He spake only what the Father gave Him to speak. There was not a time when the world was not utterly confused by His wisdom for it was the wisdom of God.

360-5 LAODICEAN. CHURCH. AGE - CHURCH. AGE. BOOK
CPT. 9

In his own personal life, contending with Himself, He overcame by obedience to the Word of God.

In Hebrews 5:7 it says,
"Who in the days of His flesh, when He had offered up prayers and supplications with strong crying and tears unto Him That was able to save Him from death and was heard in that He feared:

Though He were a Son, Yet learned He obedience by the things which He suffered;
And being made perfect, He became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey Him."
What was He obedient to? The Word of God.

360-6 LAODICEAN. CHURCH. AGE - CHURCH. AGE. BOOK
CPT. 9

Now then, there will not be one person who will sit in the throne of the Lord Jesus Christ unless he has been living that Word.

Your prayers, your fastings, your repentances--no matter what you present to God--none of that will gain you the privilege of sitting in that throne. It will be granted only to the WORD Bride.

As the throne of the king is shared with the queen because she is united to him, so only they who are of that Word even as He is of that Word will share that throne.

II CORINTHIANS 12:6

6 For though I would desire to glory, I shall not be a fool; for I will say the truth: but now I forbear, lest any man should think of me above that which he seeth me to be, or that he heareth of me.

II CORINTHIANS 12:7

7 And lest I should be *EXALTED above measure through the abundance of the revelations, there was given to me a thorn in the FLESH, the messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I should be exalted above measure.

EXALTED: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 5229

huperairomai {hoop-er-ah'-ee-rom-ahee}

exalt (one's) self, to lift or raise up over some thing; to lift one's self up, be haughty; to carry one's self haughtily to, behave insolently towards one

II CORINTHIANS 12:8

8 For this thing I besought the Lord thrice, that it might depart from me.

II CORINTHIANS 12:9

9 And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

PRESENT. STAGE. OF. MY. MINISTRY_ JEFF. IN V-11 N-2
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61 You see, Paul had a ministry greater than all the rest of the apostles put together. Some of them could've said, "Well, I walked with Jesus." Why, man on the street walked with Him when He was here.

But Paul saw Him in the Pillar of Fire after He was dead, buried, ascended into heaven, and returned back and called Paul (See?) on the road down to Damascus. And he had a greater ministry than Matthew, Mark, Luke, or any of them others.

He was far beyond them. And he said, "Except I get exalted now and say, 'Now, you fellows don't know nothing about It,' I seen the Lord after His resurrection."

Well, they say, "We walked with Him." Well, so did all them people down around in Galilee and Nazareth and through the country there. They all walked with Him.

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63 But, you see, Paul had talked with Him and saw Him in the form that He was before He was made flesh. See? And He commissioned Paul in that state.

While He was in that Light, He commissioned Paul. And--and Paul had saw Him. And he said, "Except I get exalted, feel a little higher than some of you brothers, there was given to me a messenger of the devil," that keeps him beat down.

And he said, "I sought the Lord three times to take it away from me. And He said, 'Saul, or Paul, My grace is sufficient. '" Then Paul said, "I'll glory in my infirmities, because when I am weak then I am strong. See, I will glory in it."