

Find a Strength That Will Never Fail You

After I became a Christian, I went for many years without victory in my daily life. I was miserable because I still had wounds in my soul from being abused by my father as a child—a past that made me insecure, angry, suspicious of others and hard to get along with.

Even though I loved God and went to church weekly, I had no idea that there was power available to me to overcome the hurts from the past and the struggles of my everyday life. And everything that came along that was hard to handle defeated me.

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But I was so grateful when I discovered in God's Word that not only is He powerful, but He wants to fill us with His power. He promises in His Word that we can have abundant life in Christ because He has overcome the world (John 10:10, 16:33).

The truth is, as believers in Christ, we don't have to live weak, wimpy, pitiful, pathetic, barely-getting-by lives. We can have God's power working within us to enable us to do everything we need to do in life.

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Some people have the mistaken idea that when they give their lives to Jesus, they will no longer have any problems. It would be nice if this were true, but in this world, we *will* have trials and tribulations. The good news is we can cheer up regardless because Jesus has overcome the world.

Jesus says in John 16:33b (AMP), "In the world you have tribulation *and* distress *and* suffering, but be courageous [be confident, be undaunted, be filled with joy]; I have overcome the world."

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