



# Psalm 23 (NIV)

1 The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not be in want. 2 He makes me lie down in green pastures, He leads me beside quiet waters, 3 He restores my soul. He guides me in paths of righteousness for His name's sake. 4 Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me. 5 You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. 6 Surely goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the House of the LORD forever.

# 7 Redemptive Names of God in Psalm 23

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- v1b I shall not be in want
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- #1 Jehovah-Rohi
- #2 Jehovah-Jireh
- #3 Jehovah-Shalom
- #4 Jehovah-Rapha
- #5 Jehovah-Tsidkenu
- #6 Jehovah-Shammah

#7 - Jehovah-Nissi

# INTRODUCTION

### **Psalm 23:5-6**

5 You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup runs over.

6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

This is a picture of VICTORY

### INTRODUCTION

# The Lord, my Banner of Victory - Jehovah Nissi

**Psalm 20:5-7** 

5 We will rejoice in your salvation, and in the name of our God we will set up our banners! May the Lord fulfill all your petitions. 6 Now I know that the Lord saves His anointed; He will answer him from His holy heaven with the saving strength of His right hand. 7 Some trust in chariots, and some in horses; but we will remember the name of the Lord our God.

Hands & Rod of Moses held up = soldiers hold up flags-banners in battle

# The Lord, my Banner of Victory - Jehovah Nissi

- I. Why do we need victory and How?
- **II.** The basis for **Corporate** victory.
- III. Victory Blessings.
- IV. Two "problem" areas.
- V. The KEY to victory is to pay the price to know and experience God continually.



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### He does this as:

- (1) <u>accuser</u> [Revelation 12:10]
- (2) condemner [Romans 8:34]
- (3) liar & murderer [John 8:44]
- (4) <u>deceiver</u> [Revelation 12:10]

- 1. the evil one
  - B. He can only do so when we give him ground/foothold/open doors



1 Peter 5:8 Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour.

Ephesians 4:27 Nor give place to the devil.

- 1. the evil one
  - **C.** Hence we must know the <u>victory</u> secured by Christ for us.

### **Hebrews 2:14-15**

14 Inasmuch then as the children have partaken of flesh and blood, He Himself likewise shared in the same, that through death He might destroy him who had the power of death, that is, the devil, 15 and release those who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage.

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1 John 3:8b For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil.

Acts 26:18 to open their eyes, in order to turn them <u>from</u> <u>darkness to light</u>, and <u>from the power of Satan to God</u>, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and an inheritance among those who are sanctified by faith in Me.'

1. the evil one

**D.** We must also be aware of the schemes of the evil one.

2 Corinthians 2:11 lest Satan should take advantage of us; for we are not ignorant of his devices (schemes).

Ephesians 6:11 Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles [schemes] of the devil.

Wiles = devious or cunning stratagems employed in manipulating or persuading someone to do what one wants.

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2. the world i.e. kosmos [thinking patterns of the world]

**A.** the thinking patterns and values of the world are under the control of the evil one.

1 John 5:19 We know that we are of God, and the whole world lies under the sway of the wicked one.

James 3:15-18 [wisdom of the world]

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#### **Matthew 4:8-10**

8 Again, the devil took Him up on an exceedingly high mountain, and showed Him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. 9 And he said to Him, "All these things I will give You if You will fall down and worship me." 10 Then Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! For it is written, 'You shall worship the Lord your God, and Him only you shall serve.'

**Genesis 1:26, 28** 

2. the world i.e. kosmos [thinking patterns of the world]

**B.** we must therefore not be conformed to the thinking patterns and values of the world but renewed in our minds to always know the GAP will of God.

Romans 12:2 And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.

- 2. the world i.e. kosmos [thinking patterns of the world]
  - **C.** to overcome the world, we must develop faith-convictions i.e. grow in experiential knowledge of God.

### 1 John 5:4-5

4 For whatever is born of God <u>overcomes the world</u>.
And this is the victory that has <u>overcome the world—our faith</u>. 5 Who is he who overcomes the world, but he who <u>believes</u> that Jesus is the Son of God?

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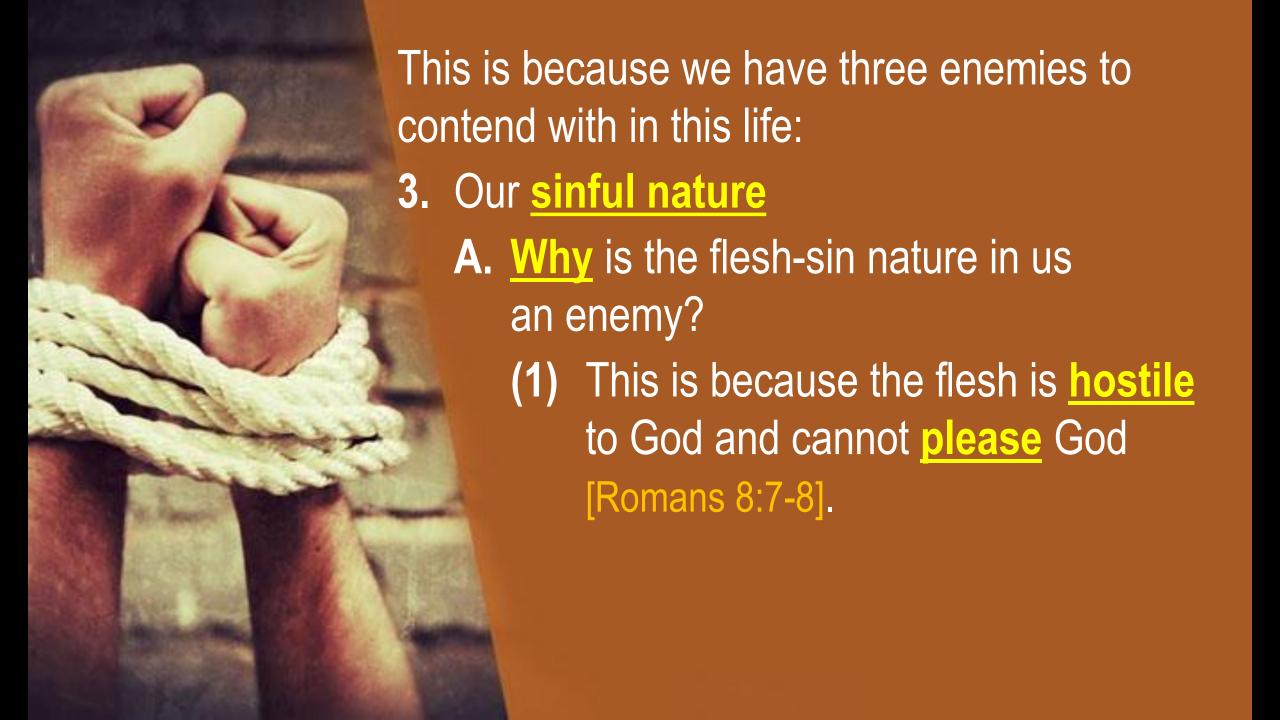
15 Do not love the world or the things in the world.

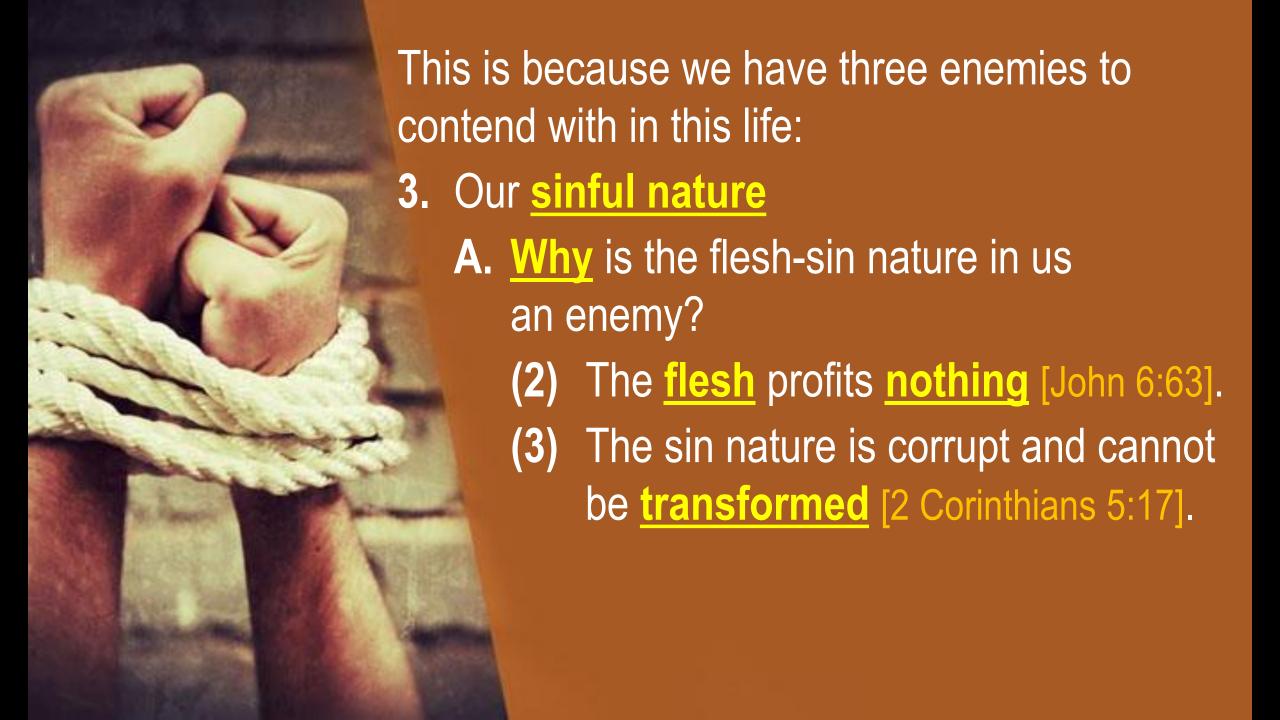
If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. 16 For all that is in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—is not of the Father but is of the world.

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- 3. Our sinful nature
  - B. Know our **position** in Christ to **overcome** the sinful nature?

2 Corinthians 5:21 For He made <u>Him who knew no sin to be sin for us</u>, that we might <u>become the righteousness of God in Him</u>.



### 3. Our sinful nature

**B.** Know our <u>position</u> in Christ to <u>overcome</u> the sinful nature?

### Colossians 2:14-15

14 having wiped out the handwriting of requirements that was against us, which was contrary to us. And He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross. 15 Having disarmed principalities and powers, He made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them in it.



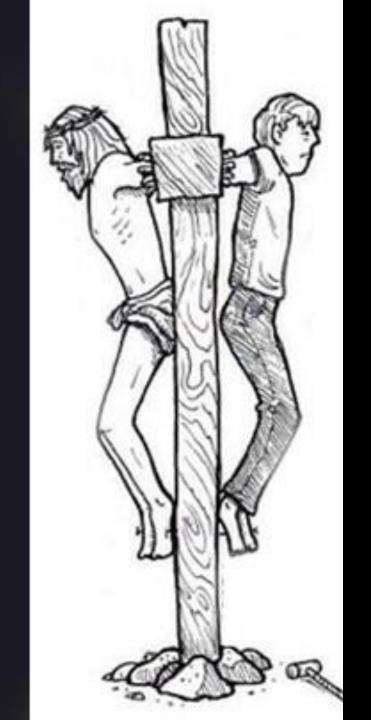
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**C.** Daily <u>die</u> to our self life i.e. not respond from the sinful nature?

Luke 9:23 Then He said to them all, "If anyone desires to come after Me, let him <u>deny himself</u>, and <u>take up his cross daily</u>, and <u>follow Me</u>.

- 3. Our sinful nature
  - **C.** Daily <u>die</u> to our self life i.e. not respond from the sinful nature?

Galatians 2:20 I have been <u>crucified with Christ</u>; it is <u>no longer I who live</u>, but <u>Christ lives in me</u>; and the life which I now live in the flesh I <u>live by faith in the Son of God</u>, who loved me and gave Himself for me.



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#### Proverbs 3:5-6

5 Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding;
6 In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths (make your paths straight).

- 3. Our sinful nature
  - D. When we fail to die to our self life, confess and repent.

1 John 1:9 If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.



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D. When we <u>fail</u> to die to our self life, <u>confess</u> and <u>repent</u>.

#### 1 John 2:1-2

1 My little children, these things I write to you, so that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. 2 And He Himself is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the whole world.

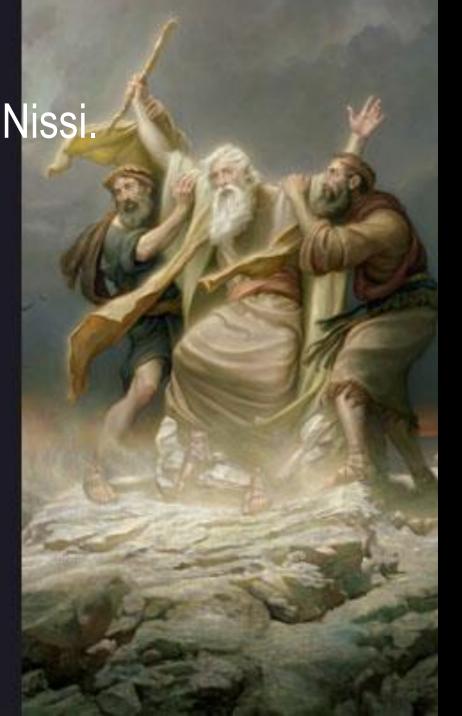


### II. The basis for corporate victory

1. Principle of First Mention of Jehovah Nissi.

### **Exodus 17:8-16**

8 Now Amalek came and fought with Israel in Rephidim. 9 And Moses said to Joshua, "Choose us some men and go out, fight with Amalek. Tomorrow I will stand on the top of the hill with the rod of God in my hand." 10 So Joshua did as Moses said to him, and fought with Amalek. And Moses, Aaron, and Hur went up to the top of the hill.



## 1. Principle of First Mention

**Exodus 17:8-16** 

11 And so it was, when Moses held up his hand, that Israel prevailed; and when he let down his hand, Amalek prevailed. 12 But Moses' hands became heavy; so they took a stone and put it under him, and he sat on it. And Aaron and Hur supported his hands, one on one side, and the other on the other side; and his hands were steady until the going down of the sun. 13 So Joshua defeated Amalek and his people with the edge of the sword.



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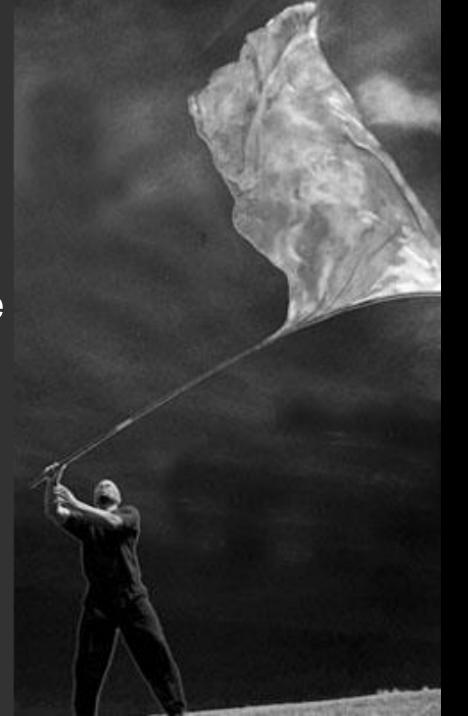
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### **Exodus 17:8-16**

14 Then the LORD said to Moses, "Write this for a memorial in the book and recount it in the hearing of Joshua, that I will utterly blot out the remembrance of Amalek from under heaven." 15 And Moses built

an altar and called its name, The-LORD-Is-

My-Banner; 16 for he said, "Because the LORD has sworn: the LORD will have war with Amalek from generation to generation."



- II. The basis for corporate victory
  - 2. Victory comes with hands lifted up to God in prayer.

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# Live by faith in Total Dependency on God!

Esau(lentils vs inheritance)-Eliphaz(god=gold)-Amalek(no fear of God-Deut25:18)

Spirit of Amalek is the love of SELF!

**Galatians 5:16** 

NOTself-discipline-dedication-diligence-What-rely4V?depend4strength?WHO is your Banner?

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  - 3. Victory comes with <a href="prayer-partners">prayer-partners</a>.

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put it under him, and he sat on it. And Aaron

and Hur supported his hands,

one on one side, and the other on the other side; and his hands were steady until the going down of the sun.

Are you plugged in the Body? Do you have a BOB-BOS?

Matthew 16:19; 18:18-20; James 5:16

- II. The basis for corporate victory
  - **4.** Victory comes with **body-life** maximum participation.

Exodus 17:9-10; 13-14

9 And Moses said to Joshua, "Choose us some men and go out, fight with Amalek.

.. 10 .. And Moses, Aaron, and Hur went up to the top of the hill.

When the enemy comes at **ONE** of us, he comes at **ALL** of us!

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COH-mob-Psalm 133



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#### **Psalm 23:5-6**

5 You prepare a <u>table (A)</u> before me in the presence of my enemies; you <u>anoint</u> <u>my head with oil</u>; (B) my cup runs over.

6 Surely goodness and mercy (C) shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

(A) table-land-high-plateau-flat-top-safe (B) linseed-oil-on-head vs nose-flies-insects-infections-scabs (C) love+care+skill+watch+work of shepherd



1. We eat at the King's table whilst the enemy can only watch at a distance.

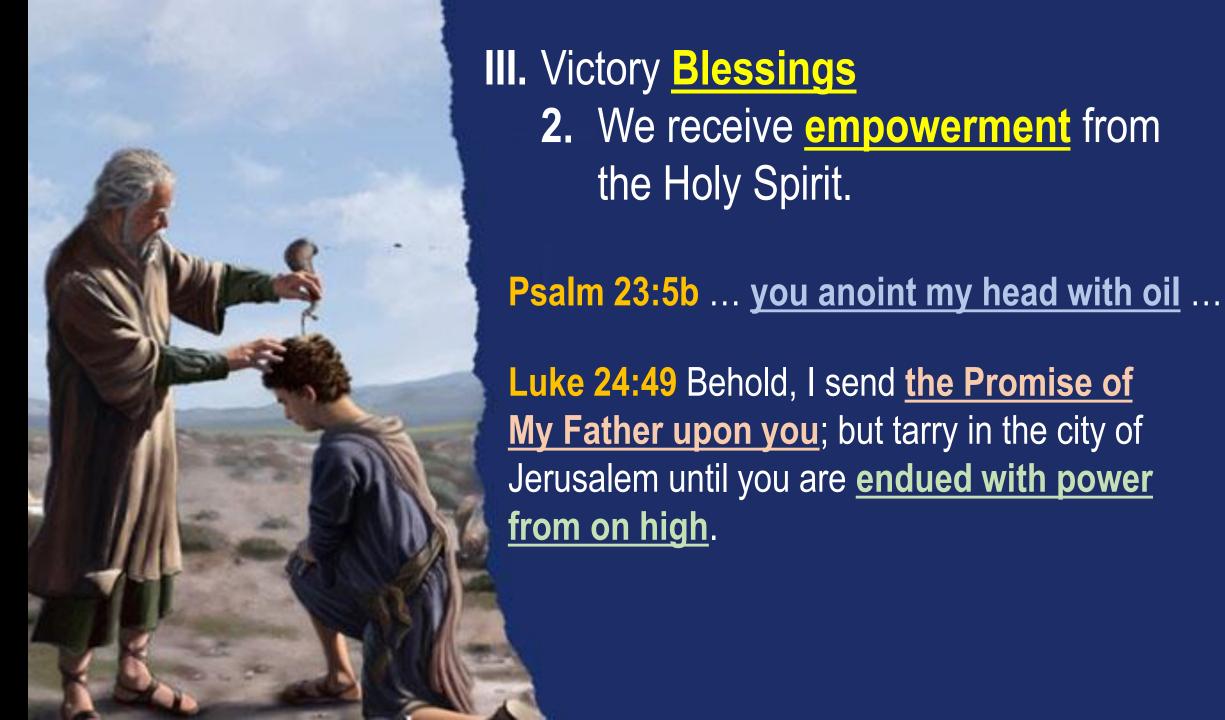
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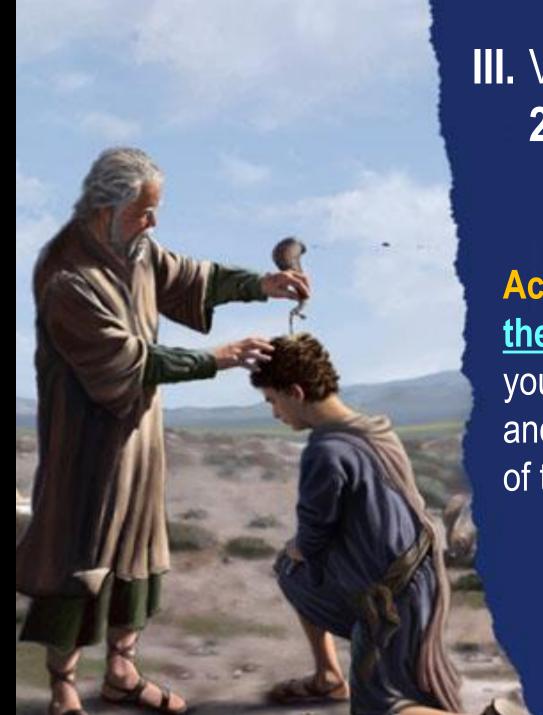
Proverbs 16:7 When a man's ways please the Lord, He makes even his enemies to be at peace with him.

Romans 8:31 What then shall we say to these things?

If God is for us, who can be against us?

Mephibosheth - 2 Samuel 9





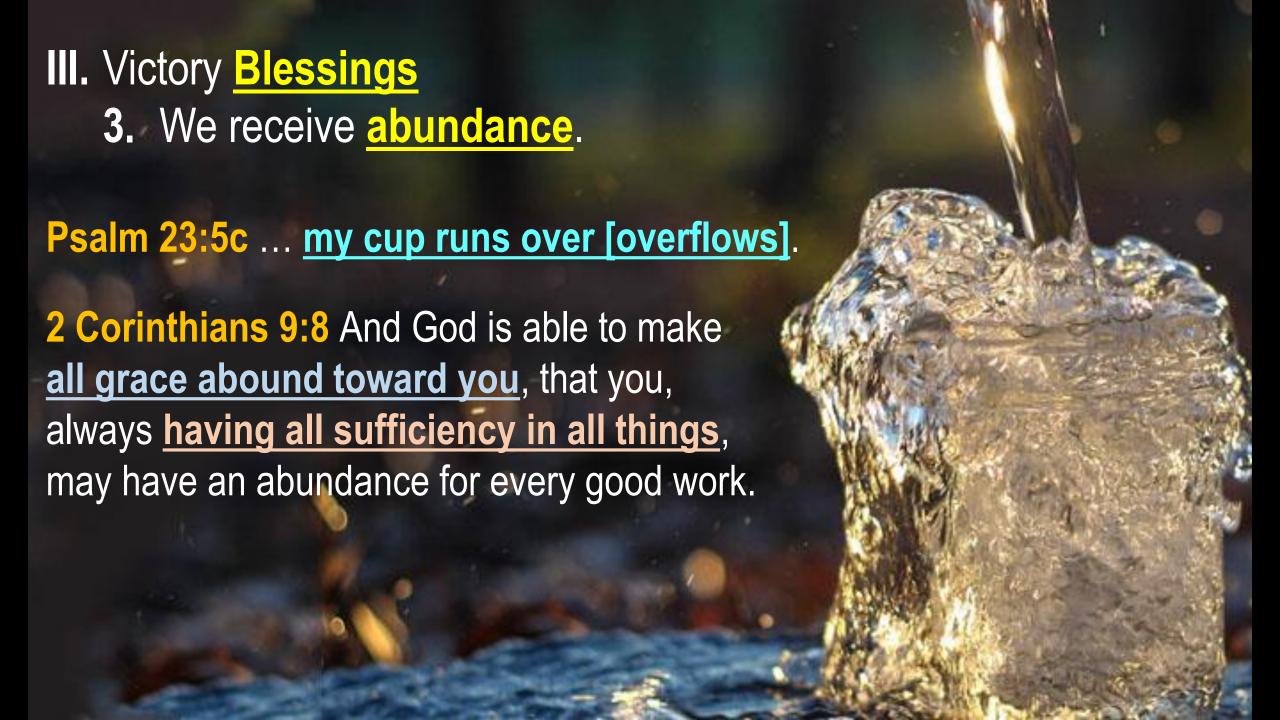
2. We receive empowerment from the Holy Spirit.

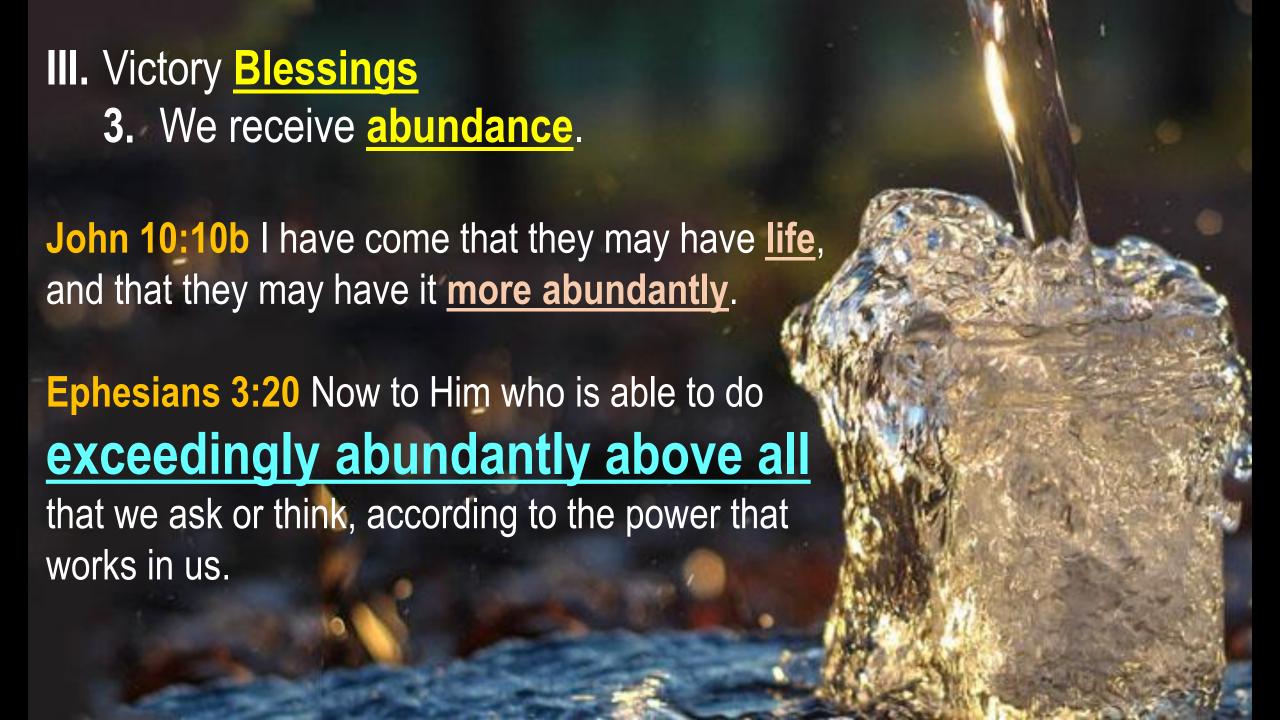
Acts 1:8 But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.

Zechariah 4:6;

Luke 11:13;

**Ephesians 5:18** 







4. God's goodness will pursue us all the days of our lives.

Psalm 34:8 Oh, <u>taste and see</u> that the <u>Lord</u> is good; blessed is the man who trusts in Him!

1 Peter 2:3

4. God's goodness will pursue us all the days of our lives.

Luke 11:13 If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him!

#### James 1:17 Every good gift and every perfect gift

is from above, and comes down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow of turning.

- 5. God's mercy will pursue us all the day of our lives.
  - **2 Definitions of Mercy**
  - A. Mercy is **not** getting what we deserve.
  - B. Mercy is <u>not</u> reaping the negative consequences of what we have previously sown wrongly.

Hebrews 4:16 Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

**James 2:13** 

6. We will dwell in God's Presence forever.

Psalm 23:6b ... and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Matthew 1:23 Behold, the virgin shall be with child, and bear a Son, and they shall call His name <u>Immanuel</u>," which is translated, "<u>God with us</u>."

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Hebrews 13:5b Be content with such things as you have. For He Himself has said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you."

Matthew 28:20b And lo, <u>I am with you always</u>, <u>even</u> to the end of the age." Amen.

1 Corinthians 3:16; 6:19



#### IV. Two "problem" areas

1. Aging, sickness (not healed) and physical death. This body is the last to be "saved".

Ultimately, we receive the new resurrected body.

In the meantime, we must <u>pursue</u> God, always depending on His <u>Grace</u>, whether we walk in divine healing & health or fail to do so.

James 5:14-16

#### IV. Two "problem" areas

- 2. Persecution for our faith and for some, martyrdom.
  - A. There is grace for those who suffer:
    - for doing right, doing good;)
    - in the will of God, for Christ's sake;

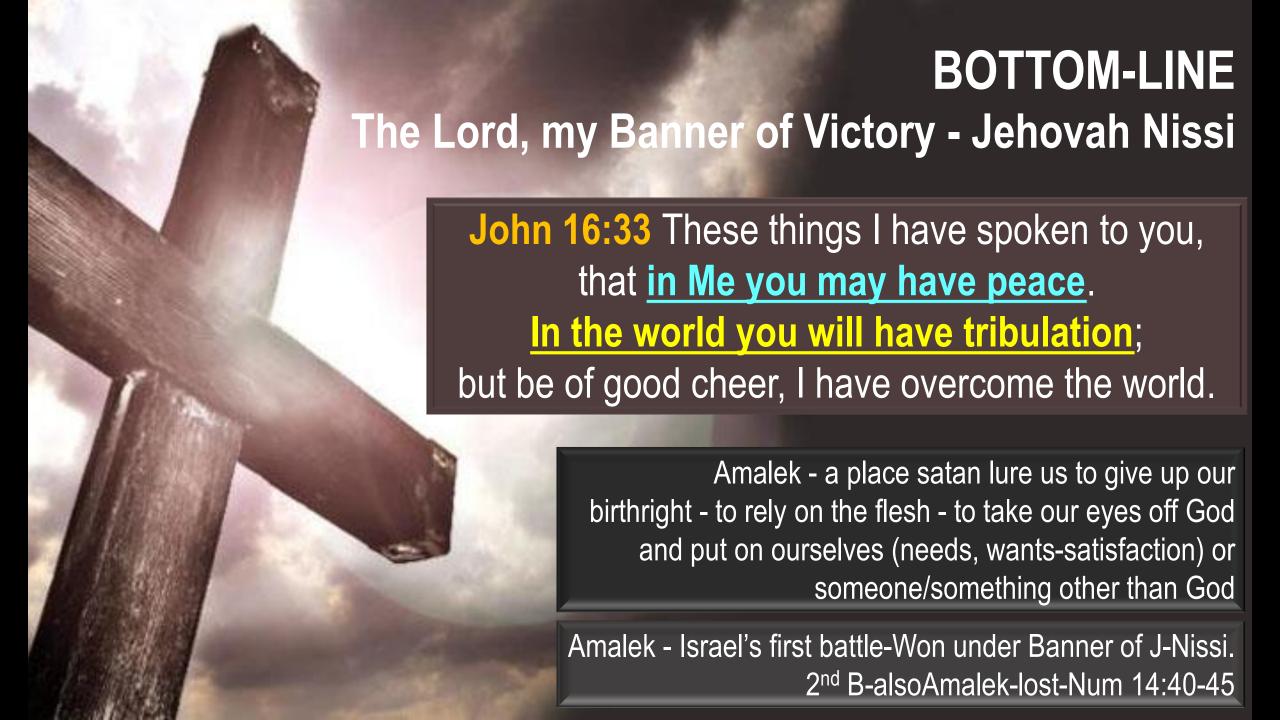
) 1 Peter 2-4

- persecuted and martyred.
- B. When ultimately martyred, we enter into glory.



## V. The KEY to victory is to pay the price to know and experience God continually.

Names of God	We experience:
1. Jehovah-Rohi	belonging(Lordship) and guidance
2. Jehovah-Jireh	providence
3. Jehovah-Shalom	peace [wholesome well-being]
4. Jehovah-Tsidkenu	paths of righteousness [life]
5. Jehovah-Rapha	healing, health and strength
6. Jehovah-Shammah	rod and staff of His Presence



## BOTTOM-LINE The Lord, my Banner of Victory - Jehovah Nissi

2 Corinthians 2:14 Now thanks be to God who always leads us in triumph in Christ, and through us diffuses the fragrance of His knowledge in every place.

1 Corinthians 15:57 But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Romans 8:37 Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us.