

6. The promise of _____, verse 4

(Revelation 2:7) "".. To him who overcomes I will give to eat from the tree of life, which is in the midst of the Paradise of God.""

(Revelation 2:11) "".. He who overcomes shall not be hurt by the second death.""

(Revelation 2:17) ""..To him who overcomes I will give some of the hidden manna to eat. And I will give him a white stone, and on the stone a new name written which no one knows except him who receives it.""

(Revelation 2:26) ""And he who overcomes, and keeps My works until the end, to him I will give power over the nations;""

(Revelation 3:21) ""To him who overcomes I will grant to sit with Me on My throne, as I also overcame and sat down with My Father on His throne.""

(Revelation 3:5) ""He who overcomes shall be clothed in white garments, and I will not blot out his name from the Book of Life; but I will confess his name before My Father and before His angels.""

(Revelation 3:12) ""He who overcomes, I will make him a pillar in the temple of My God, and he shall go out no more. And I will write on him the name of My God and the name of the city of My God, the New Jerusalem, which comes down out of heaven from My God. And I will write on him My new name.""



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Yes, Lord, I will follow you

Dear friends:

It is amazing how many times in the Bible that God indicates we are supposed to exercise our wills in order to enter into an intimacy with Him.

An evangelist tells about a woman who came to him anxious about her salvation. He said to her, "Mrs. Franklin, how did you become Mrs. Franklin?"

She replied, "When the minister said, 'Wilt thou have this man to be thy wedded husband?' I said, 'Yes.'"

The evangelist then asked her, "Did you say, 'I hope so,' or 'I'll try to?'"

The woman quickly replied, "No. I said, 'I will.'"

Then pointing her to God's Word, the evangelist said, "God is asking you if you will receive His Son as your personal Saviour. What will you say to that?"

The woman's face lit up, and she exclaimed, "Why, how simple that is! Why didn't I say 'yes' a long time ago?"

Two little words, "I will," spoken by both the man and the woman result in marriage. So it is in becoming a Christian, who the Bible refers to as a bride, in marrying our heavenly Bridegroom, our Saviour. One does not become a Christian until he exercises his "will" to receive Christ and says, in effect, "I do." Referring to our Lord's death on the cross for our sins, Jesus always stands ready and, in effect, says, "I did."

You have heard the old expression that "whosoever will" may enter into eternal life through our Lord Jesus Christ. Jesus said, "Whosoever will lose his life for my sake shall find it" (Matthew 16:25).



God's grace, [IS amazing], and we cannot understand it all. But one thing we do know is that our will is involved, not just in receiving Christ, but in receiving all His precious promises. Even our praise to God is an act of our wills: "I WILL praise the LORD all my life; I WILL sing praise to my God as long as I live" (Psalm 146:2). Also, "I WILL bless the LORD at all times: his praise shall continually be in my mouth" (Psalm 34:1).

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2 Peter: Overcoming Error Precious Promises II.

(Philippians 3:10) "that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death,"

What are the exceedingly great and precious promises that Peter is talking about in 1 Peter 1:4? MANY. Many promises that can be grouped together into 6 categories of promises:

1. The promise of His _____, verse 4



(Hebrews 13:5) "... For He Himself has said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you.""

(Deuteronomy 31:6) ""Be strong and of good courage, do not fear nor be afraid of them; for the LORD your God, He is the One who goes with you. He will not leave you nor forsake you.""

(Isaiah 41:10) "Fear not, for I am with you; Be not dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you, Yes, I will help you, I will uphold you with My righteous right hand.""

(Matthew 28:20) "".. and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen."



2. The promise of His _____,

(Romans 8:35) "Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?"

(Romans 8:38-39) "For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, [39] nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord."

(Psalms 103:17) "But the mercy of the LORD is from everlasting to everlasting On those who fear Him, ..."

(Hebrews 4:15-16) "For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin. [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."



3. The promise of _____,

(1 Corinthians 10:13) "No temptation has overtaken you except such as is common to man; but God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will also make the way of escape, that you may be able to bear it."

(1 Corinthians 10:5-11) "But with most of them God was not well pleased, for their bodies were scattered in the wilderness. [6] Now these things became our examples, to the intent that we

should not lust after evil things as they also lusted. [7] And do not become idolaters as were some of them. As it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to play." [8] Nor let us commit sexual immorality, as some of them did, and in one day twenty-three thousand fell; [9] nor let us tempt Christ, as some of them also tempted, and were destroyed by serpents; [10] nor complain, as some of them also complained, and were destroyed by the destroyer. [11] Now all these things happened to them as examples, and they were written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the ages have come.

(1 Corinthians 10:12-13) Therefore let him who thinks he stands take heed lest he fall. [13] No temptation has overtaken you except such as is common to man; but God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will also make the way of escape, that you may be able to bear it."

(John 16:33) "".. In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world.""

(1 John 4:4) ".. He who is in you is greater than he who is in the world."

(1 John 5:4) "For whatever is born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world; our faith."

(Philippians 4:13) "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."

(Romans 7:24-25) "O wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death? [25] I thank God; through Jesus Christ our Lord! ..."

(Hebrews 2:18) "For in that He Himself has suffered, being tempted, He is able to aid those who are tempted."

(John 10:10) "".. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly."

(2 Corinthians 9:8) "And God is able to make all grace abound toward you, that you, always having all sufficiency in all things, may have an abundance for every good work."



4. The promise of _____,



(John 16:24) ""Until now you have asked nothing in My name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full."

(Matthew 6:13) "And do not lead us into temptation, But deliver us from the evil one. For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen."

5. The promise of _____,

(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."

