



"Peace I leave with you, my [permanent, perfect] peace I give unto you [to be an overcomer as I am in the world]: not as the world giveth [temporary], give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid." John 14:27, Kings James Version/Kathryn Joy Foster

FOLLOW JESUS' EXAMPLE OF EMPOWERING THE KINGDOM OF GOD ONLY

Matthew 4:1, "Then was Jesus led up of the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted of the devil." Fasting 40 days left Jesus hungry, but he focused on what was far greater: the fight for our eternal salvation, not the fight with satan. Jesus lived I Corinthians 10:12-13 as his testimony, "Wherefore let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall. There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it." Empowered by Holy Spirit, Jesus gave God the right of way to choose the best for him even under pressure. I believe Jesus indelibly imaged Isaiah 53:11, "He shall see of the travail of his soul, and shall be satisfied: by his knowledge shall my righteous servant justify many; for he shall bear their iniquities." He was the only qualified candidate to finish that assignment. I Peter 2:20-23 illustrates Jesus' *agape* love. "For what glory is it, if, when ye be buffeted for your faults, ye shall take it patiently? but if, when ye do well, and suffer for it, ye take it patiently, this is acceptable with God. For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps: Who did no sin, neither was guile found in his mouth: Who, when he was reviled, reviled not again; when he suffered, he threatened not; but committed himself to him that judgeth righteously." In one accord with God, Jesus never empowered the wrong kingdom to overrule him, i.e., satan's empire. Overcoming temptation was a temporary inconvenience for a permanent improvement, our redemption. Never lose that ground!

WORKING THE BINDING AND LOOSING PRINCIPLES INTO YOUR WORLD

Jesus gave us the keys of the kingdom of God. "Verily I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall bind on earth shall be bound [as it is] in heaven: and whatsoever ye shall loose on earth shall be loosed [as it is] in heaven," Matthew 18:18. Our tongue sanctions both binding and loosing. Our life follows our words: we rehearse aloud what is real to us. "Death and life are in the power of the tongue: and they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof," Proverbs 18:21. Don't like what you are tasting? Be loyal to plant the incorruptible seed of the Word of God. Jesus modeled, "I will not talk with you much more, for the prince (evil genius, ruler) of the world is coming. And he has no claim on Me. [He has nothing in common with Me; there is nothing in Me that belongs to him, and he has no power over Me.] John 14:30, Amplified.

YOUR KINGDOM OF GOD DESIGNATION: A WORLD OVERCOMER

The initiative: "...The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever," Revelation 11:15. As we give our heart's reign to the authority of Jesus Christ through our assignment, the world systems are merged into God's rule permanently. **The incentive:** "For the promise, that he should be the heir of the world, was not to Abraham, or to his seed, through the law, but through the righteousness of faith," Romans 4:13. It is in our royal blood line that we this honor. Just recognize and realize whose seed you are. **The inheritance:** "And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise," Galatians 3:29. As a heir of God and a joint heir with Jesus Christ, never allow opposing forces to have dominion over something that doesn't belong to them: they remain under our feet because we have been raised to sit in heavenly places in Christ far above all principalities and power. **The invincible:** "For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God?" I John 5:4-5. Born again as more than a conqueror. Jesus gave us his victory when he conquered every defeat. As we exercise our faith as a supernatural tool, the gates of hell can't ever bar us from entrance into or expansion of the kingdom of God.

Thought for Transformation

One single revolution turned the world upside down is what Jesus implied when he said to his disciples "Be of good cheer, I have overcome the world." John 16:33. Be a part of "...these that have turned the world upside down are come hither also," Acts 17:6. In the kingdom of God upside down is really right side up. Shift, then lift!

Living in the World, Not of It

Jesus gave us the Great Commission: "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature," Mark 16:15. Remaining unwilling or unyielding only make change impossible. Occupy your domain in one or more of the seven areas until Jesus arrives: government, family, business, religion, arts, media, education.

Don't Give Away Your Power

The whole armor of God empowers us to stand triumphantly without falling short of the glory of God. "For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds;" II Corinthians 10:4. "For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places," Ephesians 6:12. Focus on invading territory, not evading the fight.