

What makes us victorious in Christ Jesus?

The victorious Christian life is rooted and grounded in [faith](#). [Ephesians 2:8-13](#), [1 John 5:4-5](#).

Our God is always victorious, no matter the enemy. Even the cross of Christ was not a defeat for the Lord, but a victory: [example of a circus trapeze vs. what Jesus done for us](#). [Matthew 28:18](#), (

But why do you think so many continue in sin? [Romans 6:1-2](#)

The victorious Christian life is the life that is lived, by faith, in a moment-by-moment surrender to God. [Luke 19:10](#), [John 8:36](#) (example of my brother-in-law) [1Corinthians 10:13](#)

The victorious Christian life is a life lived in triumph over "everything in the world" [Romans 1:17](#), [1John 2:16](#)

Why do you think so many fear messing up or sinning? It is the conquering of fear, knowing God's peace [John 14:27](#); [16:33](#).

What about the Christian who continues to sin? There is a difference between continuing to sin and continuing to live in sin. [1 John 1:9](#)

No one reaches [sinless perfection](#) in this life, but the redeemed Christian is being sanctified (made holy) day by day, sinning less and hating it more each time he fails. [Philippians 3:14](#)

The difference is that the [new creation](#) is we are no longer a *slave* to sin, as we formerly were. ([Romans 6:6-7](#), [Galatians 5:1](#))

We now have the choice to "let sin reign" or to count ourselves "dead to sin but alive to God in Christ Jesus" [Romans 6:11-12](#).

The victorious Christian life is a journey of faith, not just for eternal salvation, but of daily decisions building up into lifestyle that reflects Christ [Galatians 2:20](#).