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Our Memory Verse

37 Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us.
38 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 creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.



STRAIGHT FROM THE BELOVED PASTOR'S HEART

BOOK OF ROMANS CHAPTER 8:35-39 **Lesson No. 25 MORE THAN CONQUERORS**

C.H. Spurgeon on believers as being more than conquerors because of Christ writes, “It describes one who is super victorious, who wins more than an ordinary victory and who is overpowering in achieving abundant victory. It describes a lopsided victory in which the enemy or opponent is completely routed. This is not the language of conceit, but of confidence in Christ. Christ’s love conquered death and because of His love, we are and can be more than conquerors through Him.” And so, there is no reason for believers of the Lord Jesus Christ in this age and time to live defeated lives. The power of God is always available for every believer and that we can always rest on His promises (2 Peter 1:4). There are literally around 8,810 promises in the Bible out of its 31,173 verses.

MESSAGE

1. The certainty of victory. “We are more than conquerors” (v.37). How could it ever occur to you that there is a promise in the Word of God that He can miss or break?

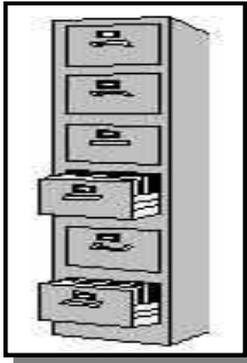
2. The cross of victory (v.36). It’s no strange thing for believers to face trials and afflictions in this

world because this world is not their home. The Lord did not promise us an easy life but He assured us that He will be with us in every step of the way and make us overcoming.

3. The comfort of victory (v.35). Knowing that we are victors already because of Christ, our life and the works we do for the Lord and His Gospel will never be in vain. Every faithful and loving service will never escape God’s eyes. All will be appropriately compensated by the Lord.

4. The cause of victory (1 John 5:4); the examples of victory by faith (Hebrews 11:32-40). The faith of the Lord Jesus Christ that is in us is the cause or reason of our victory. Remember that and learn from the lives of the first-century believers whose faith in Christ conquered the world. Because of them we have the faithful Word of God today and the Gospel that we can proclaim and share with this dying world. Be bold and brave in sharing the Gospel of Christ for it is the power of God unto salvation (Rom. 1:16).

5. The cost of victory (Luke 14:25-29). Our life as believers and disciples of Christ is a daily warfare. To stand and fight for the Lord and our faith means that we are more than willing and ready to pay the price - even if it entails a lot of difficulties



The BMA

Dr. Benny M. Abante's
PREACHING MATERIALS

**NOTHING SHALL OUR MOUTH SPEAK
BUT THE BLESSING OF THE WORD
AND THE GLORY OF GOD.**



**THROUGH THE BIBLE
IN A YEAR**

CHAPTERS TO READ THIS WEEK:

JUNE 26	PSALM 104:24
JUNE 27	EPH 1:3-12
JUNE 28	MATTHEW 6:1-7
JUNE 29	MATTHEW 6:9
JUNE 30	PSALM 106:1-12
JULY 01	1 CHRON 16:34
JULY 02	COL 3:12-17

To memorize one (1) verse in every chapter, tokens shall be awarded to those who can recite all memory verses after

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6. The challenge of victory (vv.38-39). Paul, fully persuaded of the victory that we have in Christ declares that there is nothing or no one that can ever separate us from the love of God. Through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, God can love us fully and we can love Him back faithfully!

7. The crown of victory (2 Tim. 4:6-8). We will face God in His court in Heaven one day to account everything that we have done and have not done for Him in this life and that is for sure. Paul can confidently say that he has crowns there for leading a faithful life and giving God the best service he could ever offer Him. Can you say that also to yourself? Do you live for God? Do you tell sinners that Christ died for them and that believing in Him, repenting from their sins, they can be saved, attained forgiveness and eternal life? Do you give cheerfully to sustain and further the cause of the Gospel? Do you love your Pastor and the brethren even if they are unlovable? Do you have crowns in heaven awaiting you?

—*BMA's Messages, 06.26.16*



Matthew Henry's Commentary on

Romans 8:37

The triumph of believers in this (Rom. 8:37): Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors.

[1.] We are conquerors: though killed all the day long, yet conquerors. A strange way of conquering, but it was Christ's way; thus he triumphed over principalities and powers in his cross. It

is a surer and a nobler way of conquest by faith and patience than by fire and sword. The enemies have sometimes confessed themselves baffled and overcome by the invincible courage and constancy of the martyrs, who thus overcame the most victorious princes by not loving their lives to the death, Rev. 12:11.

[2.] We are more than conquerors. In our patiently bearing these trials we are not only conquerors, but more than conquerors, that is, triumphers. Those are more than conquerors that conquer, First, With little loss. Many conquests are dearly bought; but what do the suffering saints lose? Why, they lose that which the gold loses in the furnace, nothing but the dross. It is no great loss to lose things which are not—a body that is of the earth, earthy. Secondly, With great gain. The spoils are exceedingly rich; glory, honour, and peace, a crown of righteousness that fades not away. In this the suffering saints have triumphed; not only have not been separated from the love of Christ, but have been taken into the most sensible endearments and embraces of it. As afflictions abound, consolations much more abound, 2 Cor. 1:5. There is one more than a conqueror, when pressed above measure. He that embraced the stake, and said, "Welcome the cross of Christ, welcome everlasting life,"—he that dated his letter from the delectable orchard of the Leonine prison,—he that said, "*In these flames I feel no more pain than if I were upon a bed of down,*"—she who, a little before her martyrdom, being asked how she did, said, "Well and merry, and going to heaven,"—those that have gone smiling to the stake, and stood singing in the flames—these were more than conquerors.

[3.] It is only through Christ that loved us, the merit of his death taking the sting out of all these troubles, the Spirit of his grace strengthening us, and enabling us to bear them with holy courage and constancy, and coming in with special comforts and supports. Thus we are conquerors, not in our own strength, but in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. We are conquer-