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Module 2: What Is My Purpose

Student's Notes

Lesson One - Victory

Key Takeaway

You can live a life of victory over temptation and sin.

Introduction

1. Victory is assured for those who belong to Christ and have put their faith in Him because Christ rose from death and won victory over sin and death.
2. In order to live a life of victory, we need to guard against temptation and hold on to our faith in God.

But thanks be to God, who always leads us in triumph in Christ...
2 Corinthians 2:14a (NASB)

I. THE SOURCE OF VICTORY

God wants us to have victory over sin so we can live a holy life (Ephesians 1:4).

We walk in victory by:

1. Depending on Jesus (Romans 7:21-25)
2. Giving ourselves to God alone (Romans 12:1)
3. Laying down our own desires (Galatians 2:20)

We can believe and claim victory for different areas in our lives, e.g.,

1. In the challenges we face
2. For the salvation of our loved ones
3. When faced with temptation

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II. WHAT TEMPTATION IS

Temptation comes from our own desires, which entice us and drag us away. These desires give birth to sinful actions. And when sin is allowed to grow, it gives birth to death. James 1:14

Temptations are not the same as trials.

Temptation comes from within and outside of ourselves (Matthew 4:1, 18:7).

Our faith becomes purer and stronger when we go through temptations but do not sin (James 1:12).

III. LIVING IN VICTORY

Holding on to our faith will help us to stand firm.

For every child of God defeats this evil world, and we achieve this victory through our faith. And who can win this battle against the world? Only those who believe that Jesus is the Son of God. 1 John 5:4-5

Spend time praying (Matthew 26:41, 1 Peter 5:8-9).

Get into God's Word (Matthew 4:2-10).

And because of his glory and excellence, he has given us great and precious promises. These are the promises that enable you to share his divine nature and escape the world's corruption caused by human desires. 2 Peter 1:4

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The temptations in your life are no different from what others experience. And God is faithful. He will not allow the temptation to be more than you can stand. When you are tempted, he will show you a way out so that you can endure. 1 Corinthians 10:13

Remember that we are an example to others (Romans 14:13).

Let the Holy Spirit be in control of our lives, and allow Him to fill us continuously and completely (Ephesians 5:18-19).

Walk in accountability (1 John 1:7-9).

Conclusion

1. It is possible for every believer to live a life of victory in Christ.
2. We need to recognise our power and resources in Christ. Jesus Himself was tempted as we are but did not sin.
3. He will help us stand firm in the face of temptation as we turn to and depend on Him for our victory.