

Divine Assurances – Part I

I John 5:4-13

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I. Introduction and Review

II. Divine Assurances

A. That believers have overcome the world – vs. 4-9

1. Definition

- a. “Nikao” – to conquer, overcome
- b. The Greeks believed in Nike, the goddess of victory
- c. Jesus said, “I have overcome the world” – John 16:33

2. Qualifications of an overcomer

a. “*For whatever is born of God overcomes the world . . .*” – v. 4

- i. I John 1:12, 13; 3: 1-8 (verse 8 see Titus 3: 5)
- ii. Faith is the means by which the new birth is accomplished.

- Romans 3:21, 22, 28

b. “*and who is the one who overcomes the world, but he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God*” – v. 5

- i. John 20:30, 31; Romans
- ii. The witness of the Father to the sonship of Jesus – vs. 6-9

- Water: The Baptism of Jesus – Matthew 3:17
- Blood: The Crucifixion of Jesus – Matthew 27: 33-56
- Spirit: John 15:26
- John 5:37; 8:18; 12:28; Matthew 17:5

3. Characteristics of an overcomer

- a. Love for the Father – vs. 1a, 2b
 - i. Matthew 23: 36-38
- b. Love for the brethren – vs.1b, 2a
- c. Keep the commandments of the Father – vs. 2c, 3

4. Their victories – vs. 4, 5

a. Satan

- i. Positionally – I John 3: 8
- ii. Experientially – I John 2:13, 14

iii. Ultimately – Revelation 12:11; 15:2

b. Death

- i. Positionally – John 5:24
- ii. Emotionally – I Corinthians 15:55-57
- iii. Ultimately – I Corinthians 53:54

c. The world

- i. I John 2:15-17
- ii. I John 4:4

B. That believers have assurance of Salvation – vs. 10-13

1. Definition of witness

- a. Greek term from which we get the English term martyr.
- b. One who remembers or who has knowledge of something by personal experience

2. The Believers Confidence – vs. 10a, 13

- a. Romans 8:15, 16
- b. Galatians 4: 6

3. The unbeliever’s choice – vs. 10b-12

- a. Reject the evidence – v. 10b
- b. Receive the evidence – vs. 11, 12