OUR VICTORY BRINGS GLORY TO GOD. Sunday, June 4th, 2023 Pastor Audie D. Clairmont

1Peter 1:6-7-AMP

- 6 [You should] be exceedingly glad on this account, though now for a little while you may be distressed by trials and suffer temptations,
- 7 So that [the genuineness] of your faith may be tested, [your faith] which is infinitely more precious than the perishable gold which is tested and purified by fire. [This proving of your faith is intended] to redound to [your] praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ (the Messiah, the Anointed One) is revealed.
- 1. IF YOU WANT VICTORY: REMEMBER: <u>SATAN</u>, NOT GOD, IS THE AUTHOR OF PROBLEMS, TRIALS, AND TESTS.

1Timothy 6:11-12-NLT

- 11 But you, Timothy, are a man of God; so <u>run from all these evil things</u>.

 Pursue righteousness and a godly life, along with faith, love, <u>perseverance</u>, and gentleness.
- 12 <u>Fight the good fight for the true faith</u>. Hold tightly to the eternal life to which God has called you, which <u>you have confessed so well before many</u> witnesses.

James 1:12-13-AMP

- Blessed (happy, to be envied) is the man who is patient under trial and stands up under temptation, for when he has stood the test and been approved, he will receive [the victor's] crown of life which God has promised to those who love Him.
- 13 *Let no one say when he is tempted,* I am tempted from God; for God is incapable of being tempted by [what is] evil and <u>He Himself tempts no one.</u>

Luke 8:12-GW

...They hear the word, but then the devil comes. <u>He takes the word away from</u> them so that they don't believe and become saved.

Luke 8:14 -AMP

14 And as for what fell among the thorns, these are [the people] who hear, but as they go on their way they are choked and suffocated with the anxieties and cares and riches and pleasures of life, and their fruit does not ripen (come to maturity and perfection).

2. IF YOU WANT VICTORY: REMEMBER: IT IS YOUR <u>FAITH (THE WORD)</u> THAT IS BEING TESTED, SO <u>KEEP STANDING</u> ON THE WORD OF GOD!

Trials of our faith - "problems, adverse circumstances, and pressures".

1Peter 1:7-AMP

- 7 <u>So that [the genuineness] of your faith may be tested,</u> [your faith] which is infinitely more precious than the perishable gold which is tested and purified by fire.
- 3. IF YOU WANT VICTORY: REMEMBER: GOD WILL MAKE A WAY FOR YOU TO COME OUT OF THE TRIAL A WINNER!

1Corinthians 10:13-AMP

...But <u>God is faithful</u> [to His Word and to His compassionate nature], and He [can be trusted] <u>not to let you be tempted and tried and assayed beyond your ability and strength of resistance and power to endure,</u> but with the temptation He will [always] also <u>provide the way out</u> (the means of escape to a landing place), that you may be capable and strong and powerful to bear up under it patiently.

John 15:7, 8 - KJV

"If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you. <u>Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit;</u> So shall ye be my disciples"

James 1:2-3-AMP

- 2 <u>Consider it wholly joyful</u>, my brethren, whenever you are enveloped in or encounter trials of any sort or fall into various temptations.
- 3 Be assured and understand that the trial and proving of your faith <u>bring out</u> endurance and steadfastness and patience.

Today's Confession:

I am a conqueror! It may feel like I am in a furnace now, BUT, I will resist the Devil, and he will flee! God has provided my way of escape. I will bear much fruit and bring glory to my God!

"I am an overcomer. I am convinced that God will come through for me just like He did Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. I will win!