

Faith Christian Fellowship
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I Am Not a Victim 11
A Vision for YOU

Text: Romans 8:37 NLT No, despite all these things, overwhelming victory is ours through Christ, who loved us. Hab 2:2-4 / 2 Cor 3:18

This is the Year of Victory. Our emphasis is specifically “overcome the victim mentality – I am not a victim!” The world is going to wax worse and worse. We are moving away from “Poor me,” blaming circumstances and other people, to a victor mentality. Victims blame God, parents, society, oppressors and predators, self. Victors stand up, step up, and take responsibility for their lives. Bad things happen to good people, good things happen to bad people. It will happen, the question is, what are you gonna do? Joseph gave us the example of hanging on to the Word in the midst of the circumstances. When you feel like a victim, how do you get to victory? Take up your cross, now which direction do you go?

- ♥ Own God's vision of you: Hab 2:2-4.
 - Every worldly and fleshly picture you have of what victory and success looks like is wrong.
 - Gal 6:14 The world
 - Phil 3:3 The flesh
 - Col 2:14 The Law
 - God has a vision for you that you will have to discover
 - Jer 29:11 NLT For I know the plans I have for you," says the LORD. "They are plans for good and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope.
 - Psalms 40:5 GNB You have done many things for us, O LORD our God; there is no one like you! You have made many wonderful plans for us. I could never speak of them all-- their number is so great!
 - Lk 2:52 / Heb 10:7 / Lk 24:27. Jesus found Himself.
- ♥ Getting God's vision is key to living in victory
 - Without God's vision you have no brakes.
 - Pr 29:18. Donde no hay visión, el pueblo se desenfrena

- Ps 119:11 Your word I have hidden in my heart, That I might not sin against You.
- Psalms 37:30-31 MSG Righteous chews on wisdom like a dog on a bone, rolls virtue around on his tongue. (31) His heart pumps God's Word like blood through his veins; his feet are as sure as a cat's.
- Vision brings with it direction and motivation to action. Hab 2:2.
 - Psa 119:105 By your words I can see where I'm going; they throw a beam of light on my dark path. MSG
 - 119:132-140
- ♥ Vision from God provides power to prevail
 - Vision prompts faith you can live by when you can't see. V 4. 2 Cor 5:7. You are not what you look like to you. You are what you look like to God. Now walk!
 - A Word from the Lord has in itself the power to fulfill itself. V. 3.
 - Lk 1:37 For with God nothing is ever impossible and no word from God shall be without power or impossible of fulfillment. (AMP)
 - The Word works by: Joshua 1:8
 - Pondering it in your heart
 - Saying it with your mouth
 - Do the *if*, let God do the *then*
 - Get in the right mirror. 2 Cor 3:18. Spend the rest of your life finding out who you are according to the perfect law of liberty. James 1:23-25
 - Lit., *the perfect law, the law of liberty.* (Vincent)
 - GNB the perfect law that sets people free (Jn 8:31-32 free = that is, (as a citizen) *not a slave* (whether *freeborn* or *manumitted*), or (generally) *exempt* (from obligation or liability))
 - 1 John 3:2 What you look like: The clearer we see Him the more like Him we become

Where there is no vision, there is no hope.

George Washington Carver