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Proverbs 4:11; I Guide you in the ways of Wisdom and lead you along straight paths.

CONQUERORS FOR THE LORD!

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Heavenly Father, Lord Jesus, and the Holy Spirit, may we continue to give You thanks and praise always. Father, please teach us how to be better Christians. Lord through You, may we be the Light of this dark and fallen world. Lord, please help us to be more aware of Your Divine Presence. Father, please help us to be better stewards, by sharing Your message of forgiveness, and Your free gift of eternal salvation. Lord may Your Grace, Love, and Mercy always be upon Your people. Father, I ask this pray in the name of our Lord and Savior, Christ Jesus, Hallelujah, Amen!

Well it's that time again my brothers and sisters, welcome to this month's inspired message, **Conquerors for the Lord.** What is a conqueror? A conqueror is one who gains mastery over or wins by overcoming obstacles or opposition. God is not only our Conqueror, He is our Master over all things. Every step we take as Christians, are directed by the Lord. **Proverbs** 20:24 tells us; A man's steps are directed by the Lord. How can anyone understand his own way. People as a whole, are often confused by the events that take place around them. Many things we will never understand, other things, will fall into place in time. Also, in time, we will see how God is working all things for good, for those who truly love Him! In Romans 8:28 it is written; We are assured and know that God being a partner in their labor] all things work together and are [fitting into a plan] for good to and for those who love God and are called according to [His] design and purpose. God works in "all things"—not just isolated incidents—for our good. This does not mean that all that happens to us is good. Evil is prevalent in this fallen world, but God is able to turn every circumstance around for our long range good. Note that God is not working to make us happy, but to fulfill His Purpose. Note also that this promise is not for everybody. It can be claimed only by those who love God and are called according to the Lord's Purpose only.

Those who are "called" are those the Holy Spirit convinces and enables to receive Christ Jesus, our Lord and Savior. Such people have been given a new perspective, a new mind set on life. They trust in God, not life's treasures; they look for their security in heaven, not on earth; they learn to accept, not recent, pain and persecution because God is with them.

God's ultimate goal for us is to make us like Jesus Christ. In 1 John 3:2; the Lord tells us; Dear friends, now we are children of God, and what we will be is not been made known. But we know that when He appears, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is. Once we become children of God, is the beginning of our road as **Conquers for the Lord**. As Conquers for the Lord, we are committed to sincerely make a conscious effort to sin no more. We all have areas where temptation is strong and bad habits are hard to conquer by our self. These weaknesses give the devil a foot-hold. As conquers, we must deal with our areas of vulnerability. As believing Christians, there are different times when we all struggle with a particular sin. No one who is born again in God will continue to sin means that true believers do not make a practice of sinning, nor do they become indifferent to God's moral law. All believers still sin from time to time, but they are working day by day to conquer and gain victory over sin. Once God's seed is planted in us through His Holy Spirit, true believers do not make a practice of sinning because God's new life has been born into us. Being born again is more than a fresh start; it is a rebirth, receiving a new family name based on Christ's death and resurrection for us. When this happens, God forgives us and totally accepts us, the Holy Spirit gives us new minds and hearts, lives in us, and begins helping us to become conquers like Christ. Our perspective changes too because we have a new mind that is renewed day by day by the Holy Spirit. Romans 12:2 tells us; Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's Will is—His good pleasing and perfect will. God wants us to be transformed people with renewed minds, living to honor and obey Him because He only wants what is best for us. Also, because He gave His only Son Lord Jesus, to make our new lives possible. Because of this, we should joyfully give ourselves as living sacrifices for His services. As Conquers for the Lord, we are called to not conform any longer to the patterns of this dark and sinful world, with its behaviors and customs that are usually selfish and often corrupted. Many Christians, wisely decide that worldly behavior is off limits for them. The refusal to conform to these world's values, however, must go even deeper than the level of behavior and customs—it must be firmly planted in our minds—be transformed by the renewing of our mind. It is possible to avoid most worldly customs and still be proud, covetous, selfish, stubborn, and arrogant. Only when the Holy Spirit renews, reeducates, and redirects our minds can we become Conquers for the Lord and be truly transformed for all the eyes of the world to see!!

So my brothers and sisters in the Lord Jesus Christ, it is my hope that you enjoyed this months inspired message. I hope that this message will help you to better understand what it truly means to be, **Conquerors for the Lord!**

Let us pray: Almighty Father up above, I thank You, praise You, love and bless You Lord, for this month's inspired message. May this message help us to better serve Your Divine Will. Father, help us through Your Holy Spirit, to defend ourselves against the dark forces of evil that surround us. Lord please, lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, Amen!!



HOPE By Sarah Young

Psalms 46:1; God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble.

Though Difficulties Abound In This World, Rejoice That I Am Always Present With You. I can enable you to cope with any and all circumstances, strengthening you as you look trustingly to Me. No matter how hopeless your situation may seem, I assure that all things are possible with Me. I am the Truth, and therefore I am true to all My Promises. They provide a rock solid foundation, on which you can live and move and have your being. Since I am the living Word, affirming your trust in My Promises is an excellent way to draw near Me. As you bask in the beauty of My Presence, you might find yourself wanting to praise Me. Do not restrain that holy impulse; instead, give it voice. While you are worshiping Me, new hope will grow within you! Hallelujah! Amen!!

A SPIRITUAL THOUGHT

In Psalms 16:8 it is written; I have set the Lord always before me. Because He is at my right hand, I will not be shaken.

My brothers and sisters, it is human nature, to make our own plans and then ask God to bless them. Instead, we should seek God's Will first. By constantly thinking about the Lord and his way of living, we will gain insights that will help us to make right decisions and live the way God desires us to live. Communicating with God allows Him to counsel us and bestow upon us His Divine Wisdom!

SCRIPTURE FOR THE MONTH

Romans 12:12; Rejoice and exult in hope, be steadfast and patient in suffering and tribulation; be constant in prayer.

SPIRITUAL WISDOM FOR JUNE

Proverbs 9:10; The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy One is understanding.



THE MINISTRY'S DAILY PRAYER LIST

Please join hands with this Ministry and pray for; Amy Moschello, Tom Shaw, Kevin Palma, Jonathan Baker, Janet Young, Russ Holman, Marie Barros, Patricia Palma, Anne Marie Hess, Janet Smeltz, Brad McNamara, Janelle Owens, Paige Parker, Joe Lakes, Mark Wisdom, Michael Santarpio.

Well again my brothers and sisters in the Word of Christ Jesus, thank you again for taking the time to read the Spiritual Connection's monthly journal. May the good Lord above, continue to richly bless, you and your family. Also, may He continue to protect and guide us, through the storms of life, and through the dark forces of evil that are trying to destroy our souls!

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