



# **“To Him Who Hears & Overcomes”**

## *Revelation 2:7*

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### **INTRODUCTION:**

1 “To the angel of the church in Ephesus write:

The One who holds the seven stars in His right hand, the One who walks <sup>[fn]</sup>among the seven golden lampstands, says this:

2 ‘I know your deeds and your toil and perseverance, and that you cannot tolerate evil men, and you put to the test those who call themselves apostles, and they are not, and you found them *to be* false; 3 and you have perseverance and have endured for My name’s sake, and have not grown weary. 4 But I have *this* against you, that you have left your first love. 5 Therefore remember from where you have fallen, and repent and do the deeds you did at first; or else I am coming to you and will remove your lampstand out of its place—unless you repent. 6 Yet this you do have, that you hate the deeds of the Nicolaitans, which I also hate. 7 **He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To him who overcomes, I will grant to eat of the tree of life which is in the Paradise of God.**’

**A concluding \_\_\_\_\_ for: “him who hears God’s Spirit and overcomes”**

7 **‘He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To him who overcomes, I will grant to eat of the tree of life which is in the Paradise of God.’ [Rev 2:7]**

1. **“The \_\_\_\_\_ is for: “him who hears what the Spirit says to the churches.”**

7 **‘He who has an ear, let him hear *what the Spirit says to the churches.***

### **1) The Spirit is identified as God the \_\_\_\_\_ Spirit in** Rev 1:4

4 John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace, from Him who is and who was and who is to come, and **from the seven Spirits who are before His throne**, 5 and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To Him who loves us and released us from our sins by His blood-- [Rev 1:4-5]

1 Then a shoot will spring from the stem of Jesse, And a branch from his roots will bear fruit. 2 The Spirit of the LORD will rest on Him, The spirit of wisdom and understanding, The spirit of counsel and strength, The spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD. [Isa 11:1-2 NASB95]

(1) **Wisdom** is \_\_\_\_\_ in living - the application of knowledge or truth.

(2) **Understanding** is knowing the \_\_\_\_\_ of knowledge - knowing what to do with knowledge.

(3) **Counsel** is \_\_\_\_\_ or consultation.

(4) **Strength** is \_\_\_\_\_, mighty deeds, triumph, valor, victory:—force, mastery

(5) **Knowledge** is the right \_\_\_\_\_ about something.

(6) **Fear of the Lord** is \_\_\_\_\_, terror fear morally, reverence:—x dread

## 2) He that \_\_\_\_\_ what the Spirit says...

### 1) ...is taught the \_\_\_\_\_ of God for his life.

12 Now we have received, **not the spirit of the world**, but **the Spirit who is from God**, so that we may know **the things freely given** to us by God, 13 which things we also speak, not in words taught by human wisdom, but in those **taught by the Spirit**, combining spiritual [thoughts] with spiritual [words.] 14 But **a natural man does not accept the things of the Spirit of God**, for they are foolishness to him; and he cannot understand them, because they are spiritually appraised. [1Co 2:12-14 NASB95]

#### The Holy Spirit...

(1) ...teaches us the knowledge of God's \_\_\_\_\_ that is freely given.

(2) ...teaches us God's \_\_\_\_\_ and God's \_\_\_\_\_.

(3) ...gives spiritual \_\_\_\_\_ to understand the will of God.

### 2) ...is \_\_\_\_\_ of sin, righteousness, and judgment.

8 And when he is come, **he will reprove the world of sin**, and **of righteousness**, and **of judgment**: [Jhn 16:8 KJV]

### 3) ... is \_\_\_\_\_ into all truth and given \_\_\_\_\_ about what is to come.

13 "But when He, the Spirit of truth, comes, **He will guide you into all the truth**; for He will not speak on His own initiative, but whatever He hears, He will speak; and **He will disclose to you what is to come**. [Jhn 16:13 NASB95]

## 2. Faith is the \_\_\_\_\_ that overcomes the world.

*To him who overcomes, I will grant to eat of the tree of life which is in the Paradise of God.'* [Rev 2:7]

## 1) Are Overcomers a special \_\_\_\_\_ of the redeemed?

### 1) The one who overcomes "\_\_\_\_\_" is synonymous with saving faith in Christ.

4 For whatever is born of God overcomes the world; and this is **the victory** that has overcome the world--**our faith**. 5 Who is **the one who overcomes the world**, but **he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God**? [1Jo 5:4-5 NASB95]

### 2) Overcomers do not love this \_\_\_\_\_.

#### The Overcomer...

(1) ...is not one who reaches a state of \_\_\_\_\_.

(2) ...overcomes the \_\_\_\_\_ one.

14 I have written to you, fathers, because you know Him who has been from the beginning. I have written to you, young men, because you are strong, and the word of God abides in you, and you have overcome the evil one. [1Jo 2:14 NASB95]

(3) ...does not love the \_\_\_\_\_.

15 Do not love the world nor the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. 16 For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh and the lust of the eyes and the boastful pride of life, is not from the Father, but is from the world. 17 The world is passing away, and [also] its lusts; but the one who does the will of God lives forever. [1Jo 2:15-17 NASB95]

(4) ...does not depart the faith in \_\_\_\_\_.

14 I have written to you, fathers, because you know Him who has been from the beginning. I have written to you, young men, because you are strong, and the word of God abides in you, and you have overcome the evil one. ... 19 They went out from us,

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but they were not [really] of us; for if they had been of us, they would have remained with us; but [they went out,] so that it would be shown that they all are not of us. ... 22 Who is the liar but the one who denies that Jesus is the Christ? This is the antichrist, the one who denies the Father and the Son. 23 Whoever denies the Son does not have the Father; the one who confesses the Son has the Father also. [1Jo 2:14, 19, 22-23]

### **3. The promise is to \_\_\_\_\_ of the tree of life.**

*To him who overcomes, I will grant to eat of the tree of life which is in the Paradise of God.'* [Rev 2:7]

#### **1) Overcomers are those who are given \_\_\_\_\_.**

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#### **✳ Overcomers are those who \_\_\_\_\_ out of death and \_\_\_\_\_.**

**The Overcomer...**

##### **(1) ...is \_\_\_\_\_ to eternal life.**

24 "Truly, truly, I say to you, he who hears My word, and believes Him who sent Me, has eternal life, and does not come into judgment, but has **passed out of death into life**. [Jhn 5:24 NASB95].

##### **(2) ... will have free \_\_\_\_\_ to the tree of life.**

1 Then he showed me a river of the water of life, clear as crystal, coming from the throne of God and of the Lamb, 2 in the middle of its street. On either side of the river was the tree of life, bearing twelve [kinds of] fruit, yielding its fruit every month; and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations. [Rev 22:1-2 NASB95]

##### **(3) ...is able to eat from the tree of life and \_\_\_\_\_ forever.**

22 Then the LORD God said, "Behold, the man has become like one of Us, knowing good and evil; and now, he might stretch out his hand, and take also from the tree of life, and **eat, and live forever**"-- [Gen 3:22 NASB95]

### **2) The Paradise of God is your future \_\_\_\_\_.**

#### **✳ Overcomers are those who live eternally in God's \_\_\_\_\_.**

**The Overcomer...**

##### **(1) ...enters into the gates of God's \_\_\_\_\_.**

14 Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they may have the right to the tree of life, and may **enter by the gates into the city**. 15 Outside are the dogs and the sorcerers and the immoral persons and the murderers and the idolaters, and everyone who loves and practices lying. [Rev 22:14-15 NASB95]

##### **(2) ...lives in the \_\_\_\_\_ house.**

1 "Do not let your heart be troubled; believe in God, believe also in Me. 2 "In My Father's house are many dwelling places; if it were not so, I would have told you; for I go to prepare a place for you. 3 "If I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself, that where I am, [there] you may be also. [Jhn 14:1-3]

3 And I heard a loud voice from the throne, saying, "Behold, the tabernacle of God is among men, and He will dwell among them, and they shall be His people, and God Himself will be among them, [Rev 21:3 NASB95]