



DGM Message Title: You Will Prevail

Concept: We Belong to God

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Message Summary: When you are a true worshiper of God, there will be times when you get weary because you are carrying the weight of yourself and others. You must have supportive people behind you to lift you up until God moves.

Scriptural References (NKJV):

- Exodus 17:8-13
- Deuteronomy 25:18
- Colossians 4:12

Key Notes

- Exodus 17:8
 - The Amalekites were the cousins of the Israelites
 - They were the grandchildren of Jacob's brother Esau
 - Esau was the young man that gave up his birthright for a bowl of lentils.
 - He became the personification of taking God for granted.
 - He's the only person that God said He hated in the Bible
 - Lessons from his life
 - #1 He teaches us to never give up what you need most, for what you want now.
 - #2 You cannot be free to follow God and a slave to your appetites at the same time.
 - #3 Small choices can have drastic consequences
 - Some people are always looking for trouble but know the battle they are fighting is not with you, it's really within themselves
- Exodus 17:8
 - Amalek fought with Israel in Rephidim
 - They killed for pleasure

- Deuteronomy 25:18
 - The Amalekites waited until others were tired and weary to attack
 - They attacked stragglers
 - He did not fear God
 - When a person does not respect God, in the long run, they aren't going to have much respect for you either.
- Exodus 17:9
 - Moses told Joshua to choose men to fight in battle.
 - Tomorrow Moses would stand at the top of the hill with the rod of God in his hand.
 - God can't change what happened yesterday, but He can change tomorrow.
- Exodus 17:10
 - Joshua did what Moses said and fought with Amalek.
 - Then Moses, Aaron, and Hur went to the top of the hill
 - The rod of God signified the power of God
 - Our walk with God is a blend of human instrumentality and sovereignty all at the same time
 - A mixture of strength in our obedience
 - Joshua did what Moses said
 - Our struggles are not of flesh and blood but the powers of the dark world
 - To win the battle
 - Trust his timing
 - Rely on his promises
 - Wait for His answers
 - Do what He says
 - Believe in His miracles
 - Rejoice in His goodness
 - Rest in His presence
 - Moses, Aaron and Hur went to the top of the hill together
 - It's easier to win battles when your brother and sister has your back
 - There were people who had Moses' back
 - God did all these miracles
 - I would ask, What are we fighting?
 - We tend to want God to do what He previously did in another situation
 - God doesn't always do it the same way each time.
 - God and His wisdom won't always just do it for you, He chooses
- Exodus 17:11
 - When Moses held up his hand, Israel prevailed; when he let his hands down, Amalek prevailed
 - His hands represented prayers to God
 - Ancient kings used rods to direct various visions in battle
 - Through the rod, he used direction
 - As long as Israel followed Moses' directions they were good

- o Moses hand become weary
- o So he had to finish the battle by prayer
 - You may think that praying is easy; it's the fighting in the battle that's hard. That just means you haven't prayed much.
 - True prayer can be one of the most intense things you go through
- Colossians 4:12
 - o Epaphras was a bondservant of Christ
 - Bondservant means slave; someone who chooses to be a slave.
 - o Paul vouches for him and says he is always laboring there
 - Agonia is from Greek origin. We get the English word "agonize" from it
 - Often life and death struggles
 - The word is used throughout the bible
 - o Prayer is not a casual thing that we have made it
 - o The bondservant greets Christ and labored fervently in prayers
 - Meaning prayer is a very serious thing
 - This man's prayers were impacting an entire church
- Exodus 17:12
 - o Moses hand began to get heavy
 - People who don't know God and the book, think that they are out of God's will when things get heavy.
 - That's not necessarily true
 - You have not become a true minister of God until your arms are trembling
 - You don't become a Moses level leader until you give until you have nothing left to give.
 - Ministry is holding the weight of others including your own and giving until you can't give any more
 - o Moses had people around him that wanted to help.
 - Don't take your eye off the picture
 - Keep the main thing the main thing, and everything else will eventually fall into place
 - o Aaron and Hur supported his hands on both sides
 - o They were steady until the going down of the sun
 - We are talking about someone else the ultimate intercessor that would come
 - Jesus was also on a hill
 - His hands were held up by two nails
 - Jesus gave all He had
 - o There is a sacredness in tears.
 - o You're not out of God's will because you are trembling. It might be the people around you
- Exodus 17:13
 - o Joshua defeated Amalek and his people with end of his sword
 - o The Israelite kept looking at Moses and they prevailed
 - Keep looking at the cross and you will prevail
 - Keep God first and you will last.