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**1. Victory for the believer is based first on the finished work of Christ on the cross.**

**John 16:33, “These things I have spoken to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you have tribulation, but take courage; I have overcome the world.”**

**2. Victory is often expressed in relationship to the kosmic system, Satan's classroom for the unbeliever.**

**3. Victory is not an absolute, but is the believer's in stages. Stage one occurs at the cross.**

**1 John 5:4, “For whatever is born of God overcomes the world; and this is the victory that has overcome the world — our faith.**

**1 John 5:5, “And who is the one who overcomes the world, but he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?”**

**4. Satan's method of operation toward the unbeliever is to deceive in relationship to the gospel; toward the believer is to deceive in terms of the priority of the spiritual life, doctrine, spiritual growth. This is done through distraction, false thinking.**

**2 Cor. 4:4, “in whose case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelieving, that they might not see the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God.”**

**2 Cor. 11:13, “For such men are false apostles, deceitful workers, disguising themselves as apostles of Christ.**

**2 Cor. 11:14, “And no wonder, for even Satan disguises himself as an angel of light.”**

**2 Cor. 11:15, “Therefore it is not surprising if his servants also disguise themselves as servants of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their deeds.**

**5. But there are levels of victory that advance beyond the initial victory of salvation.**

**Rev. 2:7, “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. 2:11, “He who has an ear,  
let him hear what the Spirit says  
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the second death.”**

**Rev. 2:17, “He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To him who overcomes, to him I will give some of the hidden manna, and I will give him a white stone, and a new name written on the stone which no one knows but he who receives it.”**

**Rev. 2:26, “And he who  
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**Rev. 3:5, “He who overcomes shall thus be clothed in white garments; and I will not erase his name from the book of life, and I will confess his name before My Father, and before His angels.”**

**Rev. 3:12, “He who overcomes, I will make him a pillar in the temple of My God, and he will not go out from it anymore; and I will write upon him the name of My God, and the name of the city of My God, the new Jerusalem, which comes down out of heaven from My God, and My new name.”**

**Rev. 3:21, “He who overcomes, I will grant to him to sit down with Me on My throne, as I also overcame and sat down with My Father on His throne.”**

**1. The Second Death is eternity  
in the Lake of Fire.**

**Revelation 20:14, “Then death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. This is the second death, the lake of fire.”**

**2 Cor. 5:6, “Therefore, being always of good courage, and knowing that while we are at home in the body we are absent from the Lord—**

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**2 Cor. 5:8, “we are of good  
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**2 Cor. 5:9, “Therefore also we have as our ambition, whether at home or absent, to be pleasing to Him.”**

**2 Cor. 5:10, “For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may be recompensed for his deeds in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad.”**

**1 Cor. 3:10, “According to the grace of God which was given to me, as a wise master builder I laid a foundation, and another is building upon it. But let each man be careful how he builds upon it.”**

**1 Cor. 3:11, “For no man can lay a foundation other than the one which is laid, which is Jesus Christ.”**

**1 Cor. 3:12, “Now if any man  
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**1 Cor. 3:13, “each man’s work will become evident; for the day will show it, because it is to be revealed with fire; and the fire itself will test the quality of each man’s work.”**

**1 Cor. 3:14, “If any man’s work  
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**1 Cor. 3:15, “If any man’s work is burned up, he shall suffer loss; but he himself shall be saved, yet so as through fire.”**

**1 Cor. 6:8, “On the contrary, you yourselves wrong and defraud, and that your brethren.”**

**1 Cor. 6:9, “Or do you not know that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived; neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor homosexuals,”**

**1 Cor. 6:10, “nor thieves, nor the covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers, shall inherit the kingdom of God.”**

**1 Cor. 6:11, “And such were some of you; but you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, and in the Spirit of our God.”**

**Luke 15:11, “And He said, ‘A  
certain man had two sons;’ ”**

**Luke 15:12, “and the younger of them said to his father, ‘Father, give me the share of the estate that falls to me.’ And he divided his wealth between them.”**

**Luke 15:13, “And not many days later, the younger son gathered everything together and went on a journey into a distant country, and there he squandered his estate with loose living.”**

**John 13:4, “rose from supper,  
and laid aside His garments; and  
taking a towel, He girded Himself  
about.”**

**John 13:5, “Then He poured water into the basin, and began to wash the disciples’ feet, and to wipe them with the towel with which He was girded.”**

**John 13:6, “And so He came to Simon Peter. He said to Him, ‘Lord, do You wash my feet?’ ”**

**John 13:7, “Jesus answered and said to him, ‘What I do you do not realize now, but you shall understand hereafter.’ ”**

# Revelation 20:5–6

**5 “The rest of the dead did not come to life until the thousand years were completed. This is the first resurrection.”**

**6 “Blessed and holy is the one who has a part in the first resurrection; over these the second death has no power, but they will be priests of God and of Christ and will reign with Him for a thousand years.”**

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**8 “But for the cowardly and unbelieving and abominable and murderers and immoral persons and sorcerers and idolaters and all liars, their part *will be* in the lake that burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death.”**

# Revelation 22:19

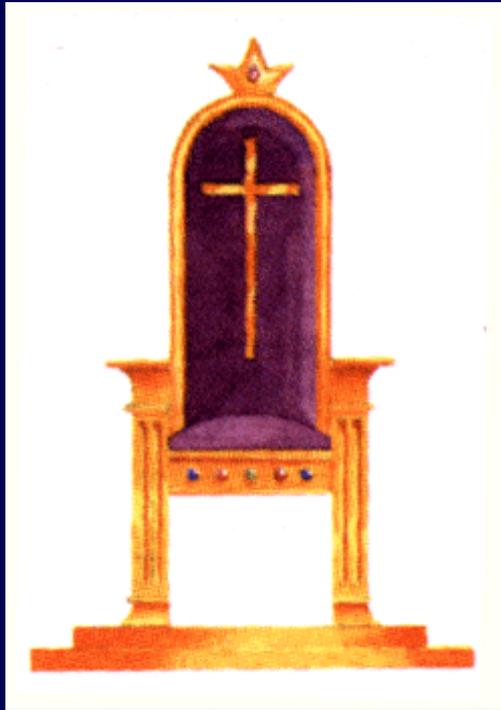
**19 “and if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God will take away his part from the tree of life and from the holy city, which are written in this book.”**

**1 Cor. 9:24, “Do you not know that those who run in a race all run, but only one receives the prize? Run in such a way that you may win.”**

**1 Cor. 9:25, “And everyone who competes in the games exercises self-control in all things. They then do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable.”**

**1 Cor. 9:26, “Therefore I run in such a way, as not without aim; I box in such a way, as not beating the air;”**

**1 Cor. 9:27, “but I buffet my body and make it my slave, lest possibly, after I have preached to others, I myself should be disqualified.”**



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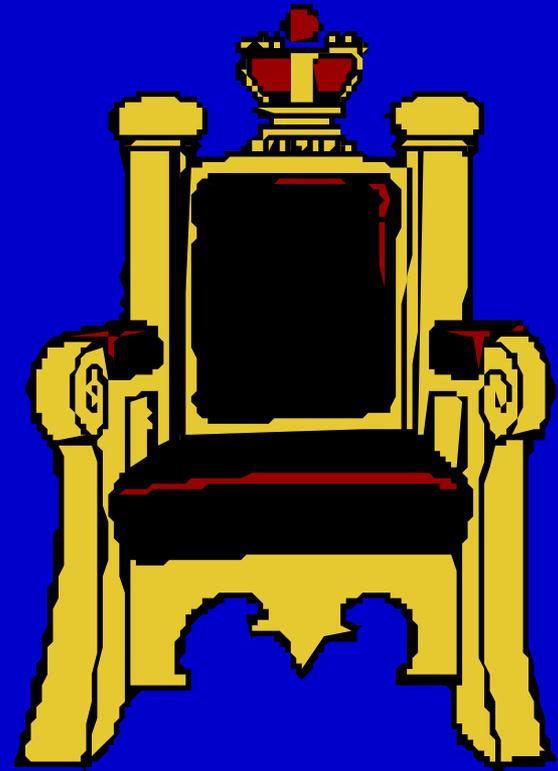
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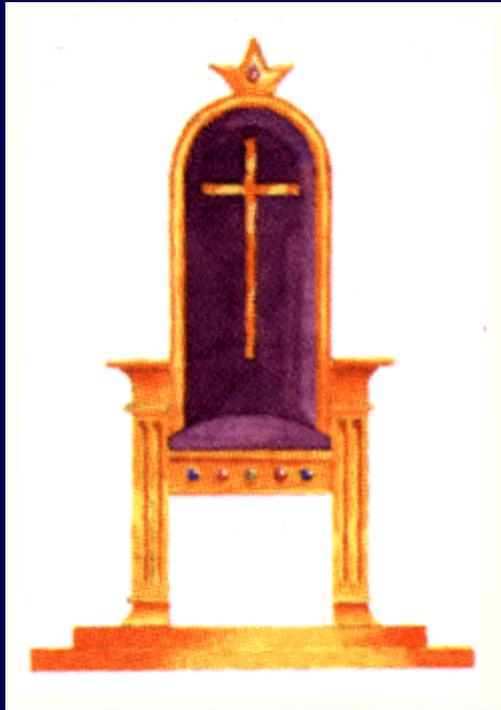
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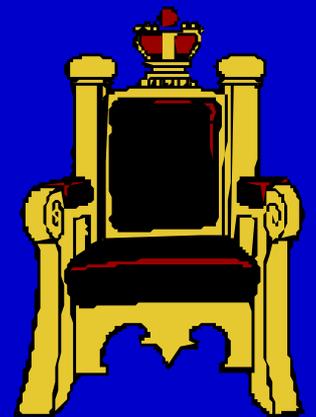
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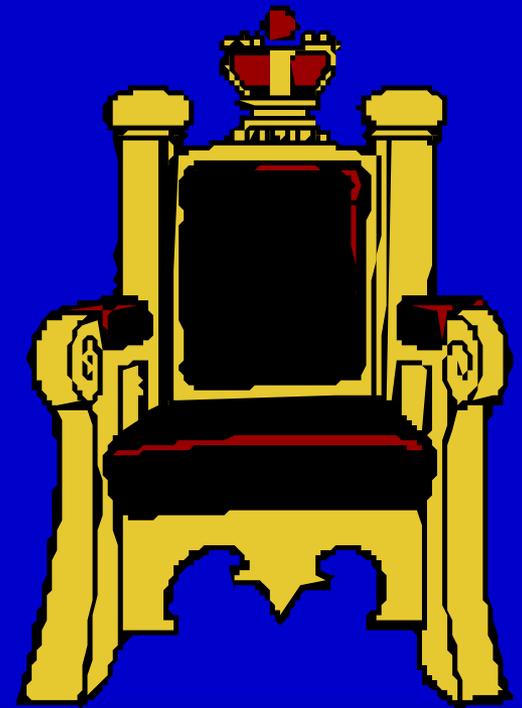
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## Revelation 19:7–10,

7 “Let us rejoice and be glad and give the glory to Him, for the marriage of the Lamb has come and His bride has made herself ready.

8 “It was given to her to clothe herself in fine linen, bright *and* clean; for the fine linen is the righteous acts of the saints.”

**9 “Then he said to me, ‘Write,  
“Blessed are those who are invited to  
the marriage supper of the Lamb.” ’  
And he said to me, ‘These are true  
words of God.’**

**10 “Then I fell at his feet to worship  
him. But he said to me, ‘Do not do  
that; I am a fellow servant of yours  
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the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of  
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## Revelation 20:4,

“Then I saw thrones, and they sat on them, and judgment was given to them. And I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded because of their testimony of Jesus and because of the word of God, and those who had not worshiped the beast or his image, and had not received the mark on their forehead and on their hand; and they came to life and reigned with Christ for a thousand years.”

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