

Complete Victory

1 John 5:4, 5 NLT

God's purpose for His people is complete victory!

I. IT'S ALWAYS TOO SOON TO QUIT

- a. The principle of follow through is critical in every aspect of our lives.
- b. God calls his people to lasting fidelity over a long period of time.

Hebrews 10:36

God has given us the responsibility of completing the conquest.

II NEW PROBLEMS – SAME GOD

Joshua 11:1-5

- a. Here, Joshua faced more kings and more and larger armies with superior armament. But any fear Joshua may have had was offset by God's promise.

Joshua 11:6

- b. Although this was one of the most violent battles of the entire conquest, we are told,

Joshua 11:7, 8

Joshua demonstrated he was willing to move when God said move.

- c. We would do well to follow his example.

We dare not draw back when faced with new challenges to advance.

The Lord goes before us, enabling us to take new ground for his glory.

III. OUR FEARS ARE GROUNDLESS

The Anakim were the race of giants that terrified the Israelite spies sent into Canaan.

Numbers 13:33

It was the sight of the Anakim that caused them to report-

"we were like grasshoppers in their sight."

Joshua 11:21-23

Here God exposes the groundlessness of their fear and dread.

Ephesians 1:19-22

Every power that would harm us or seek to destroy us is chained.

But sometimes we don't see the chains.

Joshua's accomplishments against such odds were possible because he trusted God.

CONCLUSION:

1. Always be ready to accept any new challenges given to us by the LORD.

Don't allow yourself to stagnate spiritually.

2. Leave nothing undone that the LORD has commanded you to do.

Be diligent, earnest, and thorough with any assignment He gives us.

3. No matter how awesome the "giants" may appear in our experience;

HE IS ABLE TO CONQUER THEM!

Let's not forget that He has already given us everything we need to be victorious.