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come when you will be scattered,
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John 16:32b

You will leave me all alone.

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Overcome *Definition*

(1) To prevail or defeat an opponent, (2) to overpower or overwhelm a troublesome circumstance, (3) to succeed in dealing with a problem or situation.

Principle #1

We are able to overcome the world, because we belong to God (through faith in Jesus Christ) and because Christ shares his victory with us.

1 John 5:1

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has become a child of God. And everyone who loves the Father loves his children, too.

1 John 5:2

We know we love God's children
if we love God and obey his
commandments.

1 John 5:3

Loving God means keeping his
commandments, and his
commandments are not
burdensome.

1 John 5:4

For every child born of God
overcomes this world,
and we achieve this victory
through our faith.

1 John 5:5

And who is it that can overcome
the world? Only those who
believe that Jesus is the
Son of God.

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Principle #2

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1 John 4:4

But you belong to God, my dear children. You have overcome the world, because the one who is in you is greater than the one who is in the world.

**Christ did not say, “Hey,
I overcame the world, so you
can too!” The fact is that we
CANNOT overcome the world.
We have tried and tried and
tried but we have failed
miserably.**

Principle #2

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Principle #3

Overcoming the world is about knowing, understanding, and embracing the fact that Jesus' victory over the world is a past, present, and future reality.

Principle #4

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Principle #5

**Overcoming the world is about
having peace in the storm,
confidence in the chaos,
hope in the darkness,
and conquering the giants
in our lives.**

Principle #6

Taking heart in the fact that Christ has overcome the world means that we will not turn back when the situation seems impossible or when we feel utterly defeated and hopeless.

Principle #7

Overcoming the world through Christ reminds us that even in death we will achieve the final victory over the last enemy.

1 Corinthians 15:26

And the last enemy to be
destroyed is death.

1 Corinthians 15:42

So will it be with the resurrection of the dead. Our earthly bodies are planted in the ground when we die, but they will be raised to live forever.

1 Corinthians 15:43

Our bodies are buried in brokenness, but they will be raised in glory. They are buried in weakness, but they will be raised in strength.

1 Corinthians 15:44

They are buried as natural human bodies, but they will be raised as spiritual bodies. For just as there are natural bodies, there are also spiritual bodies.

1 Corinthians 15:50

What I am saying, dear brothers and sisters, is that our physical bodies cannot inherit the Kingdom of God. These dying bodies cannot inherit what will last forever.

1 Corinthians 15:53

For our dying bodies must be transformed into bodies that will never die; our mortal bodies must be transformed into immortal bodies.

1 Corinthians 15:54

**Then, when our dying bodies have
been transformed into bodies that
will never die, this Scripture will
be fulfilled:**

1 Corinthians 15:55

“Death is swallowed up in victory.

O death, where is your victory?

O death, where is your sting?”

1 Corinthians 15:56

For sin is the sting that results in death, and the law gives sin its power.

1 Corinthians 15:57

**But thank God! He gives us victory
over sin and death through our
Lord Jesus Christ.**

1 Corinthians 15:58

**So, my dear brothers and sisters,
be strong and immovable. Always
work enthusiastically for the Lord,
for you know that nothing you do
for the Lord is ever useless.**

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