New Year's Day 2023 - Love Conquerors All

Text: Romans 8:37 NLT No, despite all these things, overwhelming victory is ours through Christ, who loved us.

January 1st VISION CASTING 2023!

Sunday 8th "Run with the vision"

Saturday 14th Corporate New Beginnings 8:00 am

Sunday 15th God's Chosen Fast teaching

Monday 16th - Sunday night 22nd Fasting and Prayer

Friday 20th Worship and 2023 Corporate Prayer Breakthrough 7 PM

Introduction: Love, God's Nature, is the greatest, all-encompassing absolute power that has and will conquer everything that we encounter in this life and the next. The Apostle Paul revealed God's Love as he answered the question, "what shall we say to the things" in Romans 8:31?

The Apostle John reveals God as UNCONDITIONAL LOVE. This year, through Him that Loves us, we shall prevail as never before.

• The Holy Spirit and Jesus' prayer for you

Romans 8:27 And he that searcheth the hearts knoweth what is the mind of the Spirit, because he maketh intercession for the saints according to the will of God. ²⁸ And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose.

Hebrews 7:24 *But this man, because he continueth ever, hath an unchangeable priesthood.* ²⁵ *Wherefore he is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them.*

• You were His; foreknown, predestined, called, declared righteous, and glorified

²⁹ For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren. ³⁰ Moreover whom he did predestinate, them he also called: and whom he called, them he also justified: and whom he justified, them he also glorified.

• Who could be against us?

- 31-36 What shall we then say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us? ³² He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things? ^a
 - We say, "No, despite all these things, overwhelming victory is ours through Christ, who loved us." Romans 8:37 NLT

³⁷ Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us. ³⁸ For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, ³⁹ Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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John 3:16-21 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. ¹⁷ For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved. ¹⁸ He that believeth on him is not condemned: ...

• God's Love is unconditional

Colossians 1:21 And you, that were sometime alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now hath he reconciled ²² In the body of his flesh through death, to present you holy and unblameable and unreproveable in his sight:

• When Israel was rebellious and willfully pagan worshippers, God's Love ----

Hosea 11:4a I drew them with cords of a man, with bands of love:

- When we were fully sold out to sin and Satan, God's Love ---
- **Romans 5:5** And hope maketh not ashamed; because **the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us.** ⁶ For when we were yet without strength, in due time **Christ died for the ungodly.**

2. As born-again children of God we act from His Nature as well

1 John 4:9 In this was manifested the love of God toward us, because that God sent his only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through him.¹⁰ Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitiation (satisfying God's wrath with His blood) for our sins.

• We are born-again of the same Love as God's

- John 3:5 Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. ⁶ That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷ Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again.
- 1 John 4:16 And we have known and believed the love that God hath to us. God is love; and he that dwelleth in love dwelleth in God, and God in him.¹⁷ Herein is our love made perfect, that we may have boldness in the day of judgment: because as he is, so are we in this world.¹⁸ There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear: because fear hath torment. He that feareth is not made perfect in love.¹⁹ We love him, because he first loved us.
 - We all live under God's Law of FIRST

Law of firsts: God first loved us and first gave to us. Then, giving over of the first to God sets the pattern for the rest! The first Love, first harvest, the first hour in prayer and Word, first paycheck of this year belongs to God! Just as the first conquered city, Jericho, belonged to God!

• First commandment

- Mark 12:28 And one of the scribes came, and having heard them reasoning together, and perceiving that he had answered them well, asked him, Which is the first commandment of all?²⁹ And Jesus answered him, The first of all the commandments is, Hear, O Israel; The Lord our God is one Lord:³⁰ And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength: this is the first commandment.³¹ And the second is like, namely this, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. There is none other commandment greater than these.
 - Jesus' Love would be first and have preeminence
- **Colossians 1:16-22** ... ¹⁸ And he is the head of the body, the church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all things he might have the preeminence...²¹ And you, that were sometime alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now hath he reconciled ²² In the body of his flesh through death, to present you holy and unblameable and unreproveable in his sight:
 - Christ the First-Fruits from the dead!

NOW CHRIST IS THE FIRSTFRUIT IN RESURRECTION – NOW WE ARE THE FIRSTFRUITS OF HIS RESURRECTION!

1 Corinthians 15:19 If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men most miserable. ²⁰ But now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the firstfruits of them that slept. ²¹ For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead. ²² For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive. ²³ But every man in his own order: Christ the firstfruits; afterward they that are Christ's at his coming. ²⁴ Then cometh the end, when he shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father; when he shall have put down all rule and all authority and power. ²⁵ For he must reign, till he hath put all enemies under his feet. ²⁶ The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death.

Worship God with your First-Fruit, Tithes and Offerings – Set the course for the entire year!

Genesis 4:1 And Adam knew Eve his wife; and she conceived, and bare Cain, and said, I have gotten a man from theLord.
² And she again bare his brother Abel. And Abel was a keeper of sheep, but Cain was a tiller of the ground. ³ And in process of time it came to pass, that Cain brought of the fruit of the ground an offering unto the Lord. ⁴ And Abel, he also brought of the firstlings of his flock and of the fat thereof. And the Lord had respect unto Abel and to his offering:
⁵ But unto Cain and to his offering he had not respect. And Cain was very wroth, and his countenance fell. ⁶ And the Lord said unto Cain, Why art thou wroth? and why is thy countenance fallen? ⁷ If thou doest well, shalt thou not be accepted? and if thou doest not well, sin lieth at the door. And unto thee shall be his desire, and thou shalt rule over him.

Ezekiel 48:14 And they shall not sell of it, neither exchange, nor alienate the firstfruits of the land: for it is holy unto the Lord.