

Title: **"THEY OVERCAME HIM"**

Text: **Revelation 12**

**(I) SPIRITUAL WARFARE IN HEAVEN DESCRIBED**

- 1. Spiritual battle in heaven**
- 2. The angels of God versus Satan and his angels (Revelation 12:7)**
- 3. The defeat of Satan and his angels (Revelation 12:8)**
- 4. Casting out of Satan from heaven (Revelation 12:9)**

**(II) SPIRITUAL WARFARE ON EARTH WARNED**

**1. The Enemy identified**

- a) The serpent of old
- b) Devil (slanderer)
- c) Satan (adversary)

**2. The weapons of the enemy**

- a) Deception (**Revelation 12:9**)
- b) Accusation (**Revelation 12:10**)

**(III) SPIRITUAL WEAPONS FROM GOD TO OVERCOME THE ENEMY**

*"And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death." **Revelation 12:11***

**1. By the blood of the Lamb**

- a) Reference to Jesus
- b) Reference to His death for us
- c) Reference to the ramifications of His atoning death

## **2. By the word of their testimony**

- a) Faith in Jesus
- b) Powerful faith
- c) Powerful life

## **3. They did not love their lives to the death**

- a) Unafraid to die for the Lord
- b) Enabled to live for the Lord significantly

## **(IV) A GREAT SPIRITUAL PANOPLY (Ephesians 6:10-18)**

### **1. Belt**

Girded with truth (**Ephesians 6:14b**)

### **2. Breastplate**

Righteousness (**Ephesians 6:14c**)

### **3. Shoes**

Feet shod with the gospel of peace (**Ephesians 6:15**)

### **4. Shield**

Shield of faith (**Ephesians 6:16a**)

### **5. Helmet of salvation (Ephesians 6:17)**