

Articles and Sermons :: How to Have Victory in Christ by Loran Helm**How to Have Victory in Christ by Loran Helm - posted by jimmyhudson, on: 2016/6/5 10:12**

“We know that we are to cast all of our burdens upon Jesus. We are not to dwell on any disappointments, hurts, past wounds or past negative experiences. If we dwell on any of these things, we violate the precious law of faith that God wants us to live by. 1 Peter 5:7 says, “Casting all your care upon Him, for He careth for you.” We must at all times resist Satan and the thoughts of failure, or what has not been that should have been, or what we thought ought to be. We are to cast that over upon the Lord. An old song says, “Take your burdens to the Lord and leave them there.” If we were to take up any of these burdens—such as disappointments or hurts or self-guilt, or thinking that we can’t do this or that, or we ought to do this or that—if we take any of these upon ourselves, it is devastating to the soul, and to the mind, as well as being hurtful to the body. Satan tries to get us to dwell on these, but it is a trick to devastate us and to destroy us. The Lord says we are to trust in Him with all our heart and not lean to our own understanding. If we lean to what the negative thoughts lead us to, then it brings us to nothing, to hurt, to nervous collapse, to a dark place. We must not hold on to it, but give it over to the Lord whether we can understand it or not. Satan tries to get us to dwell upon that which has not come to pass which we thought ought to be. And if the enemy can get us to dwell on that, it simply brings us to unhappiness, to sorrow and despair. But if we let loose of it and put it in the hands of the Lord by faith, in due season we will reap if we faint not. Galatians 6:9 says: “And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we will reap if we faint not.”

When our heart and mind want to do God's will, we cannot dwell on anything that is negative, hurtful or despairing. We cannot dwell on that for even one second, because if we do, it will crush us to death. We have to let loose of it and keep our minds upon the Lord. God's Word says: “Rejoice evermore. Pray without ceasing. In everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.” (1 Thess. 5:16-18) We are not to try to analyze or ask why or figure it out, but we are to commit everything over to the Lord regardless of how devastating it looks. When we cast everything upon Him, then we are released through prayer. I told Mrs. Black years ago, “If you will get into a room and just start praising the Lord and say: Praise the Lord, Glory, Hallelujah, Adoration, Holiness, Righteousness, Purity, Thank You, Jesus, then the Holy Spirit will drive the darkness and despair out of your heart and body and mind.” When I returned in five or six weeks she said, “Reverend Helm, this really works!” She had been at Taylor University where her husband had graduated, but somehow Satan had robbed her and was trying to keep her mind on the things that were defeating her.

When we commit it to Jesus and take the burden to Him, we don't want to pick it up again. Our flesh wants to get hold of it, but we aren't to dwell upon that. We are to dwell upon the good things. “Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on Thee; because he trusteth in Thee.” (Isaiah 26:3) We are to keep our mind there at all times. Then in due season, through the faith delivered to our fathers (which God gave the saints), He is able to do exceeding abundantly above all we can ask or think according to the power that worketh in us. The power works in us as we believe and follow Him, not allowing the devil to harass and accuse us. The Bible says he is the accuser of the brethren. We can't listen to him, but keep our mind upon that which is upright and good and helpful and strengthening. We cannot dwell upon the negative.

We have to review this over and over and over, day after day, many times a day; especially when we are in a struggle or trial, in a lonely place, or in a hurtful situation. We have to review it, or Satan will rob us of the victory. We regain the victory immediately when we say, “Get behind me, Satan. I am going to trust Jesus. I am not going to lean upon my own understanding. I am not going to dwell upon the things that have hurt me, disappointed me, crushed me or wounded me. I am not going to do it. By the grace of God I am going to keep my mind upon Jesus in praise and adoration and thanksgiving.” And He will surely bring you out if you will trust and never doubt. Take your burden to the Lord and leave it there. This is helpful to all the peoples of the church. It is not just for one or a select few, but for whosoever will. We praise Him, knowing that He is able to change even that which seems to be impossible as we trust and never doubt. Just keep praising Him for what He is doing, and for what He will do. The Lord gives deliverance to those who will follow these instructions. We have to go over them constantly, or Satan will steal them from us. The enemy will take them away, but we must hold fast to the promise, for nothing is too hard for the Lord! God told Sarah that. She laughed and thought it was not possible. All things are possible with God as we trust and believe, keeping our mind upon the good things. The Lord is able to help us at all times and in all situations for His glory and praise. When we rely on Him, it relieves the mind, and relieves the pressures upon the body. PRAISE THE LORD!!!

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