

1st John # 82

“Three Witnesses”

1st John 5:6-8

The choices we make determine whether we are overcomers or we'll be overcome.

If we are overcome by our problems, that doesn't mean we're not believers, it just means we're not living up to our potential as believers and therefore, we're miserable Christians that don't have to be.

Jesus Christ came to reveal the Father to Israel and the nations and with undeniable evidence, the Messiah lived the prototype plan of God, providing potential salvation for all unbelievers and demonstrating the pattern of success in the Church Age spiritual life for all believers.

Failure to be filled with the Holy Spirit means no biblical truth is transferred to the heart for application because there is no truth in the soul, resulting in no divine viewpoint, no confidence and no power.

Inconsistent negative reaction refers to someone who takes in biblical truth only when he's under pressure, so he's an occasional hearer of the Word and an unlikely doer of the Word. *Negative vulnerability refers to a believer who takes in biblical truth until he reaches maturity but reacts to temporary confusion, boredom, discouragement, self-pity, frustration or some other reactor factor in his soul, which eventually becomes an obsession.*

Both in time and eternity, believers are classified as either winners or losers and winners live and function in the plan of God, learn biblical truth, pass momentum tests, advance to spiritual maturity, fulfill God's purpose and glorify Jesus Christ.

Losers are believers who live in the world system as servants of Satan, constantly under the control of their sin nature, involved in both motivational and functional evil and they cannot be distinguished from unbelievers.

The invisible impact of the invisible hero is personal impact, national impact, international impact and angelic impact.

Since the believer under the plan of God is designed for invisible impact, this means that visible impact often conflicts with our purpose.

We have not been called to a high-profile, visible Christian life and therefore, all too often, visible impact and success in this world gets believers in trouble and there is nothing as naive and foolish as a high-profile believer minus biblical truth.