THE WINNING SECRET

A Biblical Re-Focus of Spiritual Warfare and Prayer

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This book is written to help clarify what is biblical Spiritual Warfare. ***Prayer* and *spiritual warfare* are not the same.** We must distinguish between them.

Prayer is communion with the Father.

Spiritual Warfare is entering satan's turf with the Gospel, witnessing for Christ and bringing souls into God's Kingdom.

Any mother knows the pain and struggle of birthing a child into this world. Soul-winners understand the struggle waged in birthing souls into the Kingdom of God. That is *Spiritual-Warfare*. That struggle is not waged on one's ***knees***. It is waged on one's feet - in action out amidst the *un*-saved. As long as Christians stay on their knees instead of on their ***feet***, witnessing among the lost, the enemy has prevailed.

Foreword

Everywhere I minister, Christians want to know the secrets of our more than a half-century of unprecedented success in global ministry. When our international ministry began in 1947, we struggled for more than a year to *unlearn* traditional concepts that we had espoused. When new knowledge is absorbed, one tends to forget traditions previously embraced. I have forgotten how I used to think. What is basic and essential to me now might be offensive to one who defends different traditions, as these truths would have been to me before the facts of redemption became a living reality in my life. Sometimes when I attend conventions on the home front, I am shocked by concepts pontificated and publicly applauded that are not at all biblical and are even contradictory to the fundamentals of Gospel redemption.

So to share The *Winning Secret* of biblical Gospel ministry, a truth that might be the new and wondrous secret for some, is no doubt fundamental to others who are making their world better.

In this book, I will deal principally with what is being considered *spiritual warfare* — concepts that are popular, but delusional, relating to prayer, demons and global evangelism.

I feel responsible to give my answer to the exotic theories being marketed about demonic powers that rule nations and areas. Christians are being convinced that the Gospel cannot prevail in these areas until satanic strongholds are first pulled down by prayer warriors in seasons of intercession known as spiritual warfare.

These idiosyncratic notions are based on expressions by Paul that are misconstrued to support theories popularized through religious media These ideas proliferate because they are marketable among Christians who are not grounded in the redemptive fundamentals of the Gospel. Some of Paul's statements being misrepresented are:

the weapons of our warfare are mighty through God to the pulling down of strongholds[2Cor. 10:4]

Fight the good fight of faith.[1Tim.6:12]

Put on the whole armour of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.[Eph.6:11]

We wrestle... against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.[Eph.6:12]

I want to help to clarify some of the confusing and delusionary hypotheses that have so many good Christians confused and preoccupied, fighting demonic powers that have already been destroyed by Christ

A great church leader said, "People who can build churches *build them*. People who can't, *write books or teach about it*."

People who have not proclaimed the miracle Christ to multitudes, who have not changed cities, provinces and nations, and who have not demonstrated the power of the Gospel to nations through signs, miracles and wonders as Paul did, are writing books and teaching about *wrestling against the rulers of the darkness of this world.* But their writings are theory because most of them have not done what they are writing about.

Since I have spent nearly 60 years proclaiming the miracle Christ and His Gospel to multiplied millions of people of practically every major religion in over 85 nations, what I have *proven* in witnessing to

the unreached as Paul did, gives me license to address the subject of The *Winning Secret,* and to share a biblical re-focus of spiritual warfare for the 21st Century Church.

As an introduction, here is the redemptive foundation for all that I will express: God reveals Himself by His redemptive name, **JEHOVAH-NISSI** translated "**THE LORD OUR BANNER**."*Ex.17:15* He is our victory in all Spiritual Warfare. **VICTORY** is a redemptive blessing, paid for on our behalf and in our name through the death of Christ, because God "*gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.*"*1Cor.15:57* By His sacrifice on the cross, He "*spoiled principalities and powers, and made a show of them openly,* ***TRIUMPHING*** *over them, quickening us together with Him.*"*Col.2:15*

Spiritual warfare is not a militant conflict waged in prayer. It is the task of Christ's witnesses in action, winning the lost to Him.

First, it is the battle to get the attention of the unconverted. That means find ways to acquire money to sustain the costs of witnessing. For some, it is the struggle to get passports and visas. In many areas, permits to preach, for venues, to advertise or to invite the public are required, plus so many other difficulties that are constantly encountered. It took us over 6 weeks to obtain thirteen special permits for our open-air mass crusades in Kiev, Ukraine—the first ever permitted in that nation's history. That is spiritual warfare.

Second, it is the struggle to overcome negative concepts and other opposition to the Gospel in people, to believe on Christ and in what He accomplished for them in His death on the cross.

I am writing this book to share The *Winning Secret* of our nearly six decades of spiritual conquest, defeating satan on his own turf, delivering his captives out of the power of darkness, bringing them into the Light of Christ.

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Focus From The Frontlines

Believe me, I know what I am writing about. I have proclaimed the Gospel to multitudes of from 20,000 to 300,000 people in over 85 nations during almost 60 years. satan holds legal dominion over people who do not believe in Christ. But when the Gospel is proclaimed and they believe it, satan's power is invalidated, his dominion is abrogated, and the people liberated by the power of the Gospel. The **TRUTH** sets them free. I've often said that I do not pray the power ***down***; I preach the power ***out***. ***The GOSPEL IS THE POWER OF GOD*** *unto salvation to everyone who believes it.*[Rom.1:16]

When I stand before a multitude of people interspersed with demoniacs, lepers, witch doctors, terrorists, bandits, pagan villagers, and all kinds of people who know nothing of Christ or His Gospel, I am utterly dependant on the supernatural power that is resident and active in the good seed of the Good News—in exactly the same way that a farmer who sows a field with good seed is utterly dependent on the supernatural power that is resident and active in the seed that was sown.

A farmer never calls a convention of friends to join in intercessory pray, pulling down strongholds that might prevent a harvest. The Farmer **SIMPLY BELIEVES IN THE SEED AND PLANTS IT. THE SEED THEN GROWS AND PRODUCES ITS HARVEST.** Ten thousand prayers will not improve that farmer's harvest. It does not depend on intercessory prayer. The harvest depends on the farmer planting good seed.

I was raised on a farm. We planted seed. It produced our harvest. When it was reaped, we did not run to the church and testify that we were anointed vessels and that the harvest was the result of our anointed hands touching the seed that we had planted. No, we went to church and gave God thanks for His laws of sowing and reaping. Spiritual warfare is preparing the soil, planting the seed and reaping the harvest— not crying out against demons that reign over areas where un-converted people live.

A farmer who does not believe in the power of seed enough to plant it, will never reap a crop. He or she may pray for months, but unless they plant the good seed, they will never reap a harvest. If Christians can be deluded by the enemy and convinced they must stay on their **KNEES** in the ministry of spiritual warfare and intercession instead of getting on their **FEET** for the ministry of witnessing for Christ, then satan's trick has succeeded in paralysing the Church by interdicting the dynamic flow of the gospel which alone is power of God unto salvation.

A Christian who does not believe in the truths of redemption enough to go out and plant those good seeds in the hearts of people, will never reap a soul-harvest. He or she may write books about it, or intercede for months, but unless the good seed of the Good News is planted in the hearts of the people, there will be no harvest. Those who contend that prayer warriors must intercede and pull down satanic strongholds **BEFORE** the Gospel can be effective have reversed God's plan. He says, *While the earth remains,* ***SEED TIME*** *and* ***HARVEST*** *shall not cease.*[Gen.8:22] Everything that God does begins in seed-form. After the seed is planted, a harvest follows. That is the secret of our decades of global ministry to millions. We plant the seed first. The seed of the Gospel, when preached and believed, is the power of God at work in lives. It is the liberating force. It is the truth that makes you free. Like Paul, we have urged believers to *HELP US BY PRAYER*[2Cor.1:11] *so that the Word of the Lord might have free course*, [2Thes.3:1] *and so that we might speak the word of God with boldness.*[Acts.4:31]

SPIRITUAL WARFARE IS SUCCESSFULLY SOWING THE SEED OF THE GOSPEL.

It is the preaching of the Gospel, the witness of Christ that projects the transforming power of God among people. Not prayer, not fasting, not agonizing, not intercession, not contending with the powers of darkness. Nothing substitutes for the **WITNESS OF JESUS CHRIST CONFIRMED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT'S MIRACULOUS POWER**. Paul said, *The preaching of the cross... is the POWER of God.*[1Cor.1:18]

Victorious Prayer

After we first learned about satan's defeat and the redemptive promises of God to confirm the Gospel, it required over a year for us to reform our prayer lives or manner of praying. Because of our traditional manner of praying, we found ourselves interceding for blessings that God had already promised, provided and freely offered. **We realized that we no longer needed to plead for blessings provided by Christ's vicarious death**. Those blessings needed to be accepted by faith and appropriated by putting our faith into action. If we did not need to beseech God for blessings or gifts that are already paid for through the death of His Son, and if we did not need to implore His Spirit to do what He sent us to do, then *what were we to pray for*? We struggled with the inconsistencies of our tradition seeking desperately to conform our prayer life to the redemptive facts that we had learned.

We soon observed that most of people's prayer time is wasted by asking for two things that God will never respond to:

1) For Him to do what *has already been accomplished through Christ's sacrifice.*

2) For Him to do what He *has commissioned us to do.*

Learning About Biblical Prayer

As we conformed our praying to the facts of redemption, we learned a greater depth in prayer than we had ever known before. We discovered that prayer is a time of communion and fellowship with the Father, not a time of imploring God for favours, or a session of asserting militant hostilities against the spiritual demonic powers. There is no record of Jesus either pleading with God for blessings and power; nor of Him contending against the forces of darkness, dethroning their influence over areas before He went there to teach and preach. When He wept over Jerusalem, He said, *How often would I have gathered you as a hen gathers her brood, but YOU WOULD NOT*! Lk.13:34

According to popular hypotheses that believers must pull down the

rulers of darkness before the Gospel can be effective, Jesus should have prevailed against the evil powers that ruled over Jerusalem before He tried to bring God's blessings to them.

Christ Taught Us To Pray

As we gained an understanding of redemption and what Christ's death provided, we realized that our tradition of praying needed to be conformed to the Gospel facts we had learned. There are basic truths about prayer: ***Jesus prayed***[Lk.6:12] ***He taught us to pray***.[Matt.913] But the prayer He taught is not pleading for blessings, nor crying out against evil powers. The prayer life that Jesus taught begins by contemplating our rapport with the *Father*. We are created in His likeness. We are His children. What a *hallowed Name* we bear! We are to express harmony with His *will*, agreeing that His Kingdom is to be realised through us. The prayer that Christ taught us is a confession of His faithfulness in providing our *daily needs*. We appropriate His *forgiveness* to the degree that we *forgive others*. In temptation and evil, we express our trust in His deliverance and in His guidance. Crowning each season of prayer we confess agreement with His *Kingdom* plan, appropriating His power to see it fulfilled in us and through us. We accept the glory that He bestows on us as His triumphant children.[Mat.6:9-13] There is no hint of begging, or of imploring, or of fighting spiritual powers of darkness. The prayer that Jesus taught is composed of statements, confessions, assertions of harmony, of confidence, of commitment, of receptivity before Him, of agreement, of rapport with Him and His will—**with no perspective of spiritual military belligerence**. Spiritual warfare is not prayer—it is going into the *un*-saved world, getting their attention and persuading them concerning the Gospel.

The Power That Dethrones Evil

We are talking about the erroneous notion that spiritual warfare is supposed to be intercession to break satan's domain over lost people so the Gospel can be effective. There is no biblical record that early

Christians prayed like that. To break satan's dominion over people, *they preached the Gospel*. That is what we have done for nearly 60 years in nations around the world. It never occurred to us that we needed to pull down demonic powers that ruled an area before we could succeed in proclaiming Christ's salvation. Jesus commissioned us to preach the Gospel and He promised to be with us to confirm it with signs, miracles and wonders. He has always, and will always do that. No demonic power can prevent the triumph of the gospel.

Prayer In The Early Church

The Early Church prayed for believers who were out witnessing for Christ, that *they would speak the Word of God with boldness.*[Acts.4:29,31,33] The Apostle Paul urged believers to pray that *the* ***Word of the Lord*** *would have free course.*[2Thes.3:1] He asked the Colossians to *pray that God would open to him a door of* ***utterance****, to* ***speak*** *the mystery of Christ.*[Col.4:3] He asked the Ephesians *to pray that* ***utterance*** *may be given me that I may* ***open my mouth and speak boldly*** *to make known the mystery of the Gospel.* [Eph.6:18-19] Paul knew that spiritual wickedness in high places and the rulers of the darkness of this world were already conquered by Christ. When he went into *un*-believing territory, his priority was to proclaim *the mystery of the Gospel of Christ*; and to do that, it was necessary that *the Word of the Lord have free course*. So he urged the Christians to pray for that. Wherever the Gospel is proclaimed, God's divine *Life* in the seed of His Word releases His presence in the hearts of those who embrace the Gospel. His *Life* in His Word nullifies demonic strong holds and invalidates the powers of darkness in those who believe the Good News. Biblical prayer is never verbal militancy against demonic spirits. It is communion with the Father, drawing life and peace and victory from His presence. No amount of intercessory prayer would bring salvation to *un*-believing people without the *Word of the mystery of Christ being spoken* ***boldly***. The mission of early Christians was to be *Christ's witness both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.*[Acts1:8]

PRAYER IS NOT WARFARE
IT IS NEITHER ASSAULT NOR DEFENCE
PRAYER IS COMMUNION
NOT ARGUING WITH DEMONS
BUT HARMONIZING WITH THE FATHER

What Are We To Pray For?

If we need not pray for God to do what *He has already accomplished through Christ's death*, and if we need not plead for Him to do the things that *He sent US to do*, then what do we pray for? When Christian believers contemplate prayer, the focus should never be on struggling or wrestling or battling with demonic spiritual powers. That is a negative and counter-productive attitude to bring before the Father. *The warfare is ended.*[Isa.40:2] Jesus won the victory at the cross. When He came back from the dead, He left an eternally defeated satan. Now, the believer's ministry is to report that victory to the world.

The Virus Of Hostility

Millions of Christians have been so infected by the *spiritual warfare virus* that their only concept of prayer is to do battle with the rulers of the darkness of this world. **BIBLICAL PRAYER** is not militancy. It is a beautiful season of communing, of correlating, of harmonizing with the Father about His plans and about how we can represent Him and demonstrate His love to people. We do not come to our knees to contend with demons or to fight with evil forces. We come to our knees to fellowship with the Father, to draw fresh inspiration, new strength and divine guidance from Him. **In pondering a time of prayer, never contemplate that sacred season with demons on your mind.** Never project a war with darkness or anticipate a battle with evil forces. Christ did all of that for us, in our name.[*Col.1:13; 2:15*] People who approach prayer militantly, those who focus on doing spiritual battle with the powers of hell, can become belligerent, hostile and adversarial toward other people. Instead of peace and harmony, love and compassion, an offensive and combative spirit is

engendered in their lives that does not reflect the Spirit of Christ.

Prayer—The Hallowed Season

As you approach your season of prayer, project the honour of being at one with your Lord. Anticipate fellowship, inspiration, rapport with God, communication with the Holy Spirit. It is time to absorb His love, to discuss with the Father His plans and how you are to be involved; a time to express your confidence in Him and your gratitude for the high honour of being a partner with Him.

✓ **PRAYER** is communion with the Father.

✓ **PRAYER** is harmonizing our plans with His.

✓ **PRAYER** is pondering what His Word says about our ideas and conforming our concepts to His.

✓ **PRAYER** is harmonizing our spirits and emotions with His Holy Spirit and His Word.

✓ **PRAYER** is aligning our spirituality, our meditations, our concepts with the facts of Christ's redemption—with what and who He has made us to be and with what He has sent us to do as His representatives.

✓ **PRAYER** is a season of intimacy with our Lord, pouring our hearts out before Him as we contemplate our mission to represent Him to people.

✓ **PRAYER** is absorbing His love so that we may witness of Christ more effectively in a despairing and confused world.

✓ **PRAYER** is worshipping Him for all that He is and for all that He has provided for humanity.

✓ **PRAYER** is absorbing His *Life* and *Spirit* for our enablement in His royal service.

✓ **PRAYER** is thanking God for His gifts and callings in our lives, and listening for His directions in how and where to use those gifts for the good of our hurting world.

✓ **PRAYER** is correlating our disposition with His attitude toward people, making sure that we exhibit His compassion toward

them, and not our prejudices.

✓ **PRAYER** is harmonizing our spirits, our emotions and our minds with His, then conforming our thoughts to God's Word so that the mystery of the Gospel will never be hindered through our lives.

✓ **PRAYER** is assimilating faith, hope and love from His person and through His Word, worshipping Him, allowing His dreams to be conceived in our spirits and demonstrated in and through our lives.

✓ **PRAYER** is being immersed in the emotions and attributes of God's Spirit toward the *un*-saved world so that no kind of person is shunned or marginalized by us as Christ's witnesses.

✓ **PRAYER** is bi-directional fellowship with the Father aligning our thoughts and dreams with His then listening to the response and guidance of His Word and of His Spirit

✓ **PRAYER** is interceding for the needs of fellow-believers and ministers, then listening for His ideas of what we can do about them — of ways we can be part of the answer.

✓ **PRAYER** is correlating God's guidance and wisdom with our agenda for sharing His plan and His Love.

✓ **PRAYER IS THE HALLOWED SEASON**. It is never pleading and begging for divine favours, fighting demonic powers in so called spiritual warfare.

BIBLICAL PRAYER IS LIFE AND LOVE AND GROWTH AND RAPPORT WITH THE FATHER—IN THE *NOW*.

If you feel the need to reform your prayer-life as we did, I suggest that you open this book to these pages and lay it beside your open Bible. Then begin at the top of the check list and take time in prayer and contemplation over each idea that is listed. Your prayer life will be enriched.

Spiritual Warfare

Spiritual Warfare is **NOT** what Christian believers do **ON THEIR KNEES**. It is what they do **ON THEIR FEET**. The believer's mission is to **GO into ALL THE WORLD**, [*regions that are antagonistic, hostile,*

defiant, malicious and inhospitable, as well as areas that are receptive] and **preach** [*tell, teach, share, communicate*] **the Gospel to every creature**. Spiritual Warfare is the struggle to get the attention of people, then to persuade them to believe the Gospel, as Paul did.[2Co.5:11;Ac.13:43;18:4 19:8,26;28:23] Spiritual Warfare is paying any price, suffering any opposition, enduring any pain, braving any storm, climbing any mountain, sailing any sea, penetrating any jungle, facing any enemy, resisting any devil in order to witness of Christ in all the world.

Preparation

Before entering the devil's terrain with the message and witness of the Gospel, we prepare ourselves by prayer and intercession. **For what?** So that the ***Word of the Lord might have free course***[2Thes.3:1] and so that our presentation of the Good News will be persuasive and will convince people of the truths of redemption. When we step onto a platform amidst a sea of humanity in a non-Christian area, we **ANNOUNCE THE GOSPEL** because it is *God's power for salvation*. We depend on Christ's promise, *Lo I am with you always, even unto the end of the world*. He said, *I will never leave you nor forsake you.* What can the rulers of darkness do? *If God be for us [and if Christ be with us], who can be against us*?

Biblical Warfare

Spiritual warfare is what I do on my **FEET**, out in public places, facing multitudes of people who have no knowledge of Christ, *fighting the fight of faith*, proclaiming and demonstrating the Gospel as Jesus and His followers did, *making the Gentiles obedient, by word and deed, through mighty signs and wonders, by the power of the Spirit of God.*[Rom.15:18-19] Spiritual Warfare is ***NOT*** prayer. It is action as God's co-worker delivering people from darkness bringing them into the light and life of Christ.

Biblical Prayer

Biblical prayer is the preparation for this divine and hallowed Christian ministry of bringing the lost to Christ.

DO I PRAY? YES! On my knees in the holy presence of my Lord, I commune with Him. I harmonize my plans with His. I ponder His words and His ideas. I tune my spirit and my emotions to His Holy Spirit and to His Word. **That is how I pray.**

DO I PRAY? YES! I align my spirituality, my meditations and my concepts with the facts of His redemption and with who and what He has made me to be. I absorb his love so that I can witness more effectively in a despairing and unloved world. I worship Him for all that He is and for all that He has provided for humanity. I thank Him for His gifts and for believing in me as His witness. **That is how I pray.**

DO I PRAY? YES! I correlate my attitude with His attitude toward people. I harmonize my spirit, my emotions; my plans and my mind with His, conforming my thoughts to His Word. I assimilate faith, hope and love from His person and from His Word, allowing His dreams to be engendered in me. I immerse myself in the emotions and attributes of His Spirit toward people. **That is how I pray.**

DO I PRAY? YES! I pour out my thoughts and dreams to Him, then I listen to the response of His Word and of His Spirit. I correlate His guidance and wisdom with my agenda for witnessing of Him so I can be His effective ambassador in our hurting world. **That is how I pray.**

DO I PRAY? YES! I drink from His Spirit. I am inspired by His vision. I feed from His sayings. I grow in His grace. His love and compassion are engendered in me so that He can speak effectively through my lips, touch with my hands, walk in my feet, embrace with my arms, hear with my ears and see with my eyes, because He has said, "*I will dwell in you, and walk in you; and I will be your God, and you shall be my son... I will be a Father to you, and you shall be my son*,"[2Cor.6:16,18] **That is how I pray.**

DO I PRAY? YES! But do I agonize and beat the air and fight to pull down satanic strongholds where I am going to preach the Gospel? **No! Never!** I do that when I step onto the platform amidst an ocean of people. **I preach, I announce, I demonstrate the Gospel. That is spiritual warfare.** That is pulling down satan's strongholds. That is fighting the good fight of faith. That is persuading people about

Christ in the way that Paul the Apostle did. Act.13:43; 18:4,13; 19:8; 28:23; 2Cor.5:11 Prayer to me is not a battle, a fight, a struggle, a warfare. **Prayer is communion with the Father.** Jesus fought our battles. He won our war. He triumphed in our name. *He delivered us from the power of darkness, and translated us unto the kingdom of His dear Son, in whom we have redemption through His blood.*Col.1:13-14 *He spoiled principalities and powers, and made a show of them openly, triumphing over them.*Col.2:5

Witchdoctors And God's Anointed

Often in our crusades overseas, preachers warn me of powerful. witch-doctors being present, resolved to invoke some great curse on me. Ministers sometimes want to lay hands on me and pray for my divine protection. **To do that would be a confession of doubt in the redemptive work of Christ.** I would never honour the lying deceiver, satan, by praying for protection from his disenfranchised emissaries that are rendered powerless when I arrive with the Gospel. God's Word states, *That Wicked One touches him not.*1Jn.5:18 When people tell me that witchdoctors are present, I urge them to bring them near the platform so I can see them and so they can see me and touch me. Being exposed to the power of the Holy Spirit present when the Gospel is preached, their witchcraft will never again be effective. *Greater is He that is in us, than he that is in the world.1Jn.4:4* I want witchdoctors and sorcerers to be able to touch me so that they, and everyone else can see that no demonic curse can affect an ambassador of Christ. No, we do not prepare for our crusades by long seasons of *pulling down evil strongholds* or by wasting our time fighting satanic powers that are already defeated.

Continuing What Jesus Began

We do prepare our spirits in prayer. How? For what?

We draw near to God by pondering His word; by reflecting on His plan; by rethinking His objectives; by remembering Christ's defeat of satan; by contemplating the Holy Spirit's power in our lives — all of that and much more.

Then we go in confidence, knowing that our Gospel witness is with power to break satan's rule over his captives. We will function as Christ's ambassadors and satan can do nothing to prevent the all-conquering power of the Gospel.

We believe that the anointing that rested upon our Lord rests upon us as we CONTINUE the ministry that He BEGAN.

We enter the enemy's terrain with full knowledge of who we are, rejecting and resisting every deceitful tactic of satan that denigrates us or that contradicts redemptive truth. That is the way we *fight the good fight of faith.*

The Mission Of Believers

When believers announce the Gospel message of Christ to individuals or to multitudes, that is *wrestling against principalities, powers and rulers of the darkness of this world.* When the Gospel is believed, the *strongholds of satan are pulled down in people's lives*. Captives are delivered from *the power of darkness, and they are translated into the kingdom of our God.*[Col.1:13]

That is the mission of the Church corporately and that is the mission of every Christian individually. *Christ gives us the victory*[1Cor.15:57] because *this **IS** the victory that overcomes the world, even our faith.*[1Jn.5:4] We win the victory over the fraudulence and deception of satan in people's lives wherever we can *persuade* [(2Cor.4:11; Gal.1:10)] them to hear and to believe the Gospel.

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