Triumphing Through Christ's Victory in Adverse Situations 1 Corinthians 10:6-14

John 16:33 These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world.

1 John 5:4 For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that

overcometh the world, [even] our faith.

Rev. 3:21 To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne.

Paul presents three basic reactions to adverse situations from the O.T.

1 Cor. 10:6 -not to lust after evil things,

1 Cor. 10:7 -Neither be ye idolaters,

1 Cor. 10:8 - Neither let us commit fornication.

Spiritual Dynamics of Overcoming in the Adversity

- 1 Corinthians 10:13 There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it.
- 1 Corinthians 10:13a "There hath no <u>temptation (ei me anthropinos)</u> taken you but such as is <u>common to</u> man:...above that ye are able" (huper ho dunasthe)

"Temptation": It means a trying circumstance or an adverse situation or problems. When God is put in charge of the adversity through faith in Christ in submission to the Holy Spirit, the problem or adversity can become a test for the purpose of making that person more Christ-like. It is never for the purpose of causing an individual to fall or fail in his/her Christian walk. When God is in charge Satan being the agent of all evil is eliminated to do harm.

"Common To Man": Now look at the phrase, "Common to man." This is one Greek word -- (442)

<u>anthropinos</u> (anth-ro'-pee-nos). It means belonging to man or the condition of man. Except a human one. Old adjective meaning falling to the lot of man.

When you put the two words together you have AXIOM #1 -- Trying circumstances, adversities are a part of human life! (see John 16:33)

Biblical Support For This Axiom #1

Jesus Said -- These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world. John 16:33. The Greek word translated tribulation is thlipsis (thlip'-sis 2347) which means pressure, or trouble.

Job said -- Yet man is born unto trouble, as the sparks fly upward. Job 5:7

Peter said -- Beloved, think it not strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened unto you: 1 Peter 4:12

Let's move on to Axiom #2

The Spirit filled N.T. believer in Christ is empowered to deal with life's adversities.

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