

# **THE OVERCOMING LIFE**

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# “OVERCOMING LIFE”

The word “overcomes” is the Greek word **NIKAO-**  
**[NIKE]** which denotes *a victor, a champion, or one who possesses some type of superiority.*

**2. SEVEN EXAMPLES OF  
HOW TO HAVE  
OVERCOMING LIFE...**

***REVELATION 2:7***

**What we have in  
Revelation 2 & 3 is God's  
pattern on "HOW TO"  
make changes  
to grow AND LIVE an  
overcoming life.**

**DO THIS...**  
**AND YOU WILL WIN...**  
**WHILE HERE IN THIS**  
**WORLD... AND IN THE**  
**WORLD TO COME!**



**REV. 2:7** “He who has an ear,  
let him hear what the Spirit  
says to the churches.

To him who **overcomes** I will  
give to eat from the tree of life,  
which is in the midst of the  
Paradise of God.”

# **SEVEN CHURCHES IN ASIA...**

**Ephesus - Rev. 2:7 – The  
Loveless Church... Smyrna –  
Rev. 2:11 – The Persecuted  
Church... Pergamos – Rev. 2:17  
– The Compromising Church...  
Thyatira – Rev. 2:26**

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**Rev. 2:26 – The Corrupt Church... Sardis – Rev. 3:5 – The Dead Church... Philadelphia - Rev. 3:12 – The Faithful Church... Laodicea – Rev. 3:21 – The Lukewarm Church**

**3. TWO APPLICATIONS  
OF “NIKAO” TO  
OVERCOME ...**

***1 John 4:4***

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little children, ***and have***  
***overcome them,*** because He  
who is in you is greater  
than he who is in the world.

FIRST IS... *PERSONAL*  
VICTORY

SECOND IS... *CORPORATE*  
VICTORY

IT MUST ALSO BE NOTED  
THAT THE TENSE FOR  
“OVERCOMES” SPEAKS OF...

**A CONTINUOUS AND**  
**ONGOING VICTORY.**

***CLOSING...***



