

Elementary Children's Church

Lesson 9

The challenge of Godly living

1. The Holy Spirit through Paul tells it like it is. **Romans 7:18 &19** "For I know that in me (that is, in my flesh,) dwelleth no good thing: for to will is present with me; but how to perform that which is good I find not. For the good that I would I do not: but the evil which I would not, that I do." In ourselves, our self works and efforts, we will never find the way to Godly living. **Matthew 26:41** "The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak." It must be the Spirit, the new man, the new creation, the very life of God that He gives His children.

2. The promise of the victory lies in the promise of **I John 4:4** : "Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world." And in **Romans 8:37** "Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us." Praise God for the power He has given us through the blood of Jesus Christ. By faith, believing God's Word, He empowers our lives with the promises in the Word.

3. **Ephesians 1:3** "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ." This says it all. We have access by faith to everything. We can and should live Godly lives, all because of the love of God that brought us His grace through Jesus Christ. Grace is the working power of the love of God in us.