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### **Loving, Building and Serving in Hard Times**

- **You Can Have The Courage To See Things Through By Finding Your Strength In God**

**Romans 8:35,37** - *Can anything ever separate us from Christ's love? Does it mean he no longer loves us if we have trouble or calamity, or are persecuted, or hungry, or destitute, or in danger, or threatened with death?...<sup>37</sup> No, despite all these things, overwhelming victory is ours through Christ, who loved us.*

- **You Have Reason To Shout Even In Your Dark Place**

#### **OBTAINING THE ATTITUDE OF A VICTOR**

1. **Examine Your Heart.**

**Proverbs 4:23** - *Guard your heart above all else, for it determines the course of your life.*

- **Your Life Will Go In The Direction Your Heart Is Set**

2. **Reflect On What God Has Said.**

**Joshua 1:8** - *Study this Book of Instruction continually. Meditate on it day and night so you will be sure to obey everything written in it. Only then will you prosper and succeed in all you do.*

- **Stay In God's Word, Know What It Says And Obey It**

**John 15:7** - *But if you remain in me and my words remain in you, you may ask for anything you want, and it will be granted!*

3. **Recondition Your Thoughts.**

**Romans 12:2** - *Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God's will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect.*

- **Focusing Only On Your Frustrations Will Ultimately Shape Your Thinking**

#### **4. Enlarge Your Faith in God**

**Mark 9:23** - *“What do you mean, ‘if I can’?” Jesus asked. “Anything is possible if a person believes.”*

**Hebrews 11:1** - *Faith shows the reality of what we hope for; it is the evidence of things we cannot see.*

**1 Samuel 30:6** - *David was now in great danger because all his men were very bitter about losing their sons and daughters, and they began to talk of stoning him. But David found strength in the Lord his God.*

**Psalms 25:16-17** - *Turn to me and have mercy, for I am alone and in deep distress. <sup>17</sup> My problems go from bad to worse. Oh, save me from them all!*

**John 14:27** - *“I am leaving you with a gift—peace of mind and heart. And the peace I give is a gift the world cannot give. So don’t be troubled or afraid.”.*

**Genesis 50:20** - *You intended to harm me, but God intended it all for good. He brought me to this position so I could save the lives of many people.*