What does an overcoming Christian life look like?

An overcomer THINKS…

• Spiritual growth takes time: It is a necessary process in a believer’s life. Doesn’t seek quick fixes but focuses on the long term trend.

• Scripture is foundational: Bible verses are memorized and reviewed to use against temptation.

• IN A SET BACK: An overcomer thinks reflectively on how the “chain of events” led to sin.

  Meditate on James 1

An overcomer BELIEVES…

• God’s extension of forgiving grace is beautiful, but more beautiful is His peace which follows obedience.

• The direction of their heart must be toward God. Having or having not sinned is not the only measure of overcoming.

• IN A SET BACK: An overcomer believes in the critical need for grace, repents in humility, receives God’s forgiveness, and moves forward.

  Meditate on Romans 6-8

An overcomer SPEAKS…

• Honestly: They are truthful and do not minimize or hide when questions are posed to them. Open about spiritual battles.

• Proactively: Informs others of temptations and high risk situations that they are facing. Doesn’t wait until after a fall to speak up.

• IN A SET BACK: An overcomer speaks quickly. Confessing sin soon after it happens.

  MEDITATE ON PSALM 32 & 33.

An overcomer ACTIVELY…

• Sets boundaries and defenses to avoid temptations. Cuts off influences which weaken their ability to overcome.

• Forms accountability support with overcoming believers and submits to their counsel, even in times of victory.

• IN A SET BACK: An overcomer shows Godly sorrow yet actively gets back up.