

You Were Born to Overcome

Small Group Discussion Guide

"OVERCOMING ALL: STEP ONE - LIVE FOR GOD"

Based on the January 7, 2024 sermon by Pastor Mirek Hufton

1. SERMON RECAP

Pastor Mirek Hufton launched the church's 2024 theme of "Overcoming All" by teaching that living an overcoming life doesn't happen automatically -- it requires intentional steps. Drawing from Romans 8:36-37, he challenged the congregation that becoming a "super conqueror" only happens through Christ, which means prioritizing God's Word above everything else. He emphasized that submission to God and His Word must come before believers can effectively resist the enemy and walk in genuine victory.

2. KEY SCRIPTURE

Romans 8:37 (NKJV)

"Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us."

3. ICE BREAKER

Think about your daily morning routine. What is the very first thing you reach for when you wake up -- and what does that say about your priorities right now?

4. DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Pastor Mirek described the difference between being an "overcomer" and being "overcome" -- and admitted that even believers can go through seasons of feeling overcome. Can you think of a season in your life when you felt more overcome than overcoming? Without going into painful detail, what do you think contributed to that?
2. He used the word "prioritize," defining it as "a concern or desire that comes before all others." On an honest scale, where does time with God currently rank among your daily priorities? What tends to consistently bump it lower on the list?
3. Pastor Mirek shared that you can only truly know God through His Word, referencing John 1:1 and Psalm 119:11 ("I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you"). What practical habits -- good

or bad -- have shaped how much of God's Word actually lives inside you right now?

4. He made a strong connection between submission and authority, saying you have to learn to submit to God before you can effectively resist the devil (James 4:7). Does that order -- submit first, then resist -- change how you think about spiritual warfare? Why or why not?

5. Pastor Mirek pointed to Psalm 119:50, "Your word gives me life," and shared his personal story of facing a cancer diagnosis and choosing to pursue the Word of God at a faith conference rather than immediate hospitalization. What does a story like that stir up in you -- doubt, inspiration, questions? Be honest.

6. He closed by challenging the group with 2 Corinthians 5:14-15 -- that Christ died so we would no longer live for ourselves but for Him. In practical, everyday terms, what does "living for God rather than yourself" actually look like in your week?

5. APPLICATION CHALLENGE

This week, choose one specific time slot of at least 15 minutes each day and designate a physical spot in your home as your personal place to meet with God. Write the time and location down, put it in your phone calendar as a recurring appointment, and show up for all seven days -- even when you don't feel like it. At your next small group meeting, share honestly whether you kept the appointment and what you noticed when you did or didn't.

6. PRAYER POINTS

- Hunger for the Word: Pray that each group member develops a genuine, growing appetite for Scripture -- not out of obligation, but out of authentic love for God.

- Breaking cycles of defeat: Pastor Mirek spoke about cycles of sin, sickness, and lack that repeat in people's lives. Pray specifically that God would reveal any area where someone in the group is tolerating defeat rather than rising up as the overcomer they were created to be.

- Family and the next generation: He passionately called parents to make God the undisputed center of their homes. Pray for families represented in the group -- that parents would have courage and consistency to build their children on the Word.

7. MEMORY VERSE

Psalm 119:11 (NKJV)

"Your word I have hidden in my heart, that I might not sin against You."

"Seek Me and live." -- Amos 5:4

Leader's Note: Encourage your group that this guide is not about having all the right answers -- it's about taking one honest step closer to God this week. The goal of revival, as Pastor Mirek reminded us, is a personal reset in each believer's walk.