

5.2 Overcoming Evil

Bible Verse: He who overcomes will, like them, be dressed in white. I will never blot out his name from the book of life, but will acknowledge his name before my Father and his angels. – Revelation 3:5

Truth: God is holy and wants us to also be holy, for all who are unholy and all disgusting things shall not be able to enter God's eternal Holy City.

Proclaim: *That which is born in me from God overcomes evil.*

Main Lesson Points:

- **Our mind is like the nest of a bird**
– Phi 4:8, Lev 19:2
- **Bad thoughts are like birds of prey**
– Gen 15:10-11, Jam 4:7
- **To guard our faith, hope and love**
– 1 Cor 13:13
- **Not to Indulge our fleshly nature**
– Gal 5:19-21, Rom 8:13
- **Victory power by the cross**
– Rom 6:6, Rev 3:5

Interesting Questions:

(Choose 1 or more to discuss)

- **How can negative thoughts influence a person?**
- **How can we have victory over bad thoughts?**
(James 4: 7)
- **In the end, who can stand before God?**
(Revelation 3:5)

Reminders of His Glory: The human brain is like the bird nest. Mommy Bird guards the nest like she would a treasure. Similarly, we must guard our thoughts because positive thoughts are good motivators for living. On the other hand, bad thoughts are like the birds of prey. When a bird **flies** over a man, he cannot stop it, but he can prevent it from settling on his head. Similarly, we need to reject any undesirable or unclean thoughts, by using God's words. In the margin to the right, write or draw a few things that can help you remember God's words and the victory over evil Jesus has secured for you.

Scripture:
Genesis 15:10-11



Think:

What are some things you can do to ensure your focus remains on God and His Word?

Pray:

Use the space below to write a prayer asking God to guard your heart and mind from evil thoughts and help you resist temptation:

Act: *There's no better way to guard your heart than by focusing on God unceasingly. Practice being quick to pray and swift to praise Him always.*

