

Revelation 3:21 To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne.

I. Jesus Christ Overcame and Is Set Down with God the Father in His Throne

A. Philippians 2:5-11

1. He overcame
 - a) by service v. 7
 - b) by humility v.8
 - c) by obedience v. 8
2. God highly exalted Him above everything v. 10

B. Ephesians 1:20-22

1. God raised Jesus from the dead v. 20
2. God set Jesus at his own right hand in heaven v. 20
3. Jesus is far above everything else v. 21
 - a) in this world
 - b) in the world to come

II. He Has Made Promises to Everyone Who Also Overcomes

- A. By faith in Him - 1 John 5:4-5 For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith. 5 Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God?
- B. By hearing Him - Revelation 3:18 I counsel thee to buy of me...
- C. By repentance toward Him - Revelation 3:19 As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent.
- D. By zeal for Him - Revelation 3:19 As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent.
- E. By communion with Him - Revelation 3:20 - ...if any man hear my voice, and open the door...

III. He Promises We May Sit with Him In His Throne

A. Trapp: The thrones of those eastern kings were...after the manner of a couch...so that...others whom the king would honour might sit by him in the same throne.

B. To be with Him!

1. all the joys you ever have in this life from being with other people, added all together, are only a small taste of the joy of being with Him
2. all the longings you ever had for someone to come back; all the yearnings you ever had for marriage; all the missing someone from whom you were separated; all of those longings shall be fulfilled in being with Him

C. To be in His throne with Him!

1. I used to daydream of myself in some position of power, mostly for the glory of it. Eventually, I stopped thinking about that for the sake of the glory of it. But sometimes I still daydream about being the president or the governor for the sake of setting things right. But I must admit that if I were enthroned myself, I would not make a perfect ruler. I might indulge myself, or be lazy, or rule despotically, or be misled by my advisors, or be defeated by my enemies.
2. But think of what it would be to sit in the throne of Jesus Christ with Him. He will set everything right. The wicked to whom He shows mercy are spared and turned to righteousness. The wicked whom He leaves in their wickedness are banished out of the kingdom. Every law He uses is good. Every judgment He makes is just. All of His policies are for the good of His subjects.