

Triumphant Living series three: advanced level

Securing your triumphant position

- Weekly sessions 1hr 20 mins each
- Modules last between 1 - 3 weeks each
- All modules must be completed for the advanced level award

These sessions are designed for Christians who are secure and ready to take on the difficult aspects of life skilfully using the weapon of the word to secure victory!

The content is intended to provoke and challenge both mindsets and to encourage students to ask questions and find answers to everyday realities they are facing.

Triumphant Living Series three is for Christians who know God, love God and are ready to do what it takes to secure the victory of God in every area of their lives. These studies will mean they encounter hard truths, clear facts and solid strategies to be more than overcomers....not for the faint hearted, but for those who are ready to live a completely triumphant life!

Module one: According to the power

1 – 2 weeks

Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us (Eph 3 v 20)

We often stop listening after the first part of this verse, but let us look again at the *condition that is laid out in the second part*; this needs to be fulfilled in us

“According to the power that works in us”

- Power is virtually useless if it is not actually used, you must exercise it, not just store it up
- In science ...power can not be made, you don't just go along and make a packet of power...it can only be transferred. Electricity comes as we turn the power from coal in the power station into electricity and transport it to the house. The ultimate source of power is the sun, all power and energy can be traced back to this. The power in us came from the ultimate source...Jesus, God works according to the measure by which we have Jesus in at work in our lives.

This session will provoke you to victory!

Module two: Do not underestimate your enemy

3 weeks

Therefore submit to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you
(James 4 v 7)

This is a sentence packed with power and great command for your Christian walk,

- If I saida guy is coming to Bible study tonight, your response would be?
- If I said that the devil was coming to Bible study tonight, how would your response change?
- Now if I said....the devil is coming to Bible study tonight and he has already told me that he wants to wreck the lives of everyone who is also present in the class... what would your response be?
- Now if I said that the devil is coming to Bible study tonight, he has said that he wants to wreck the lives of everyone who is also present in the class and he in particular is attracted to those today in the class who have any of the following; low self esteem, critical attitudes, people who like to leave things to the last minute, what would our bible study be like then?

Look at the steps....

- You should know who is coming,
- You should know his agenda
- You should know his strategy

If you have armed yourself with this knowledge...then you should be in a better position to resist him.

By the end of the module you will be confident, knowledgeable and secure in your understanding of this type of practical warfare.

Module three: Temperance

2 weeks

“But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness **temperance**: against such there is no law.”
(Galatians 5 v 22 – 24)

Let's look a little at this word temperance... (I am sticking with the word temperance and not self control that some bible translations have for reason, you will see why later)

The dictionary defines it as” to **moderate** your indulgence of your natural appetites or passions”

How do we use the word “moderate” today, “Go easy.. Tone it down...Stay in balance.. Don't go overboard.. Check yourself before you wreck yourself!

Look again, the dictionary says that the passions are “**natural**”, these are things that are normal to human behaviour, ..

- Women like to buy lots of shoes in every colour, this is normal!
- Men will watch sport on TV all afternoon and then watch the commentary on the sport they have just watched.. And then watch the late night highlights on the sport they watched earlier.. This is apparently normal!

These are appetites or passions that humans have and we indulge ourselves, some of these passions in the grand scheme of things are relatively harmless and only cause a problem when they *really* get out of hand, other appetites cause difficulties very early on and their negative effects show up in our lives quickly.

As you study this module, you will need to make decisions in your life...triumphant living is a choice!