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In the seven messages Christ left for the messengers of the seven local Churches there are seven promises to those who overcometh as follows: "To him that overcometh: (of Ephesus) will I give to eat of the tree of life (2:7), (of Smyrna) shall not be hurt of the second death (2:11), (of Pergamos) will I give to eat of the hidden manna, and will give him a white stone, and in the stone a new name written (2:17), (and keepeth my works unto the end) (of Thyatira) to him will I give power over the nations (2:26), (of Sardis) the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life (3:5), (of Philadelphia) will I make a pillar in the temple of my God, and he shall go no more out: and I will write upon him the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God, which is new Jerusalem, ... and I will write upon him my new name (3:12), (of Laodicea) 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 (3:21) ." One may ask who are these who overcome? Are they the ones who 'Endure to the end?' who 'Keep the faith?' who 'Don't loose their Salvation?' No, the Apostle John who penned these words of Christ for the overcomers clarifies who they are in 1John 5:4-5 "For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith. Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God?" Overcomers are born-again ones! You born-again? An Essay from week # 3, Sunday, January 15, 2012 Posted at <http://www.GSBaptistChurch.com> In paper back at <http://stores.lulu.com/GSBaptistChurch>

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