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broken people  
living in a broken world

**“I have overcome”**

νενίκηκα (nenikēka)

νικάω (nikaō)

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<sup>1</sup> The beginning of the good news  
about Jesus the Messiah, **the Son of  
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Mark 1:1 (NIV 2011)

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<sup>10</sup> I want to know Christ—yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death,  
<sup>11</sup> and so, somehow, attaining to the resurrection from the dead.

Philippians 3:10–11 (NIV 2011)

<sup>21</sup> To this you were called, because Christ suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in his steps.

1 Peter 2:21 (NIV 2011)

<sup>3</sup> Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; <sup>4</sup> perseverance, character; and character, hope. <sup>5</sup> And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.

Romans 5:3–5 (NIV 2011)

# 1. Control is an illusion

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2. Who I am, not what I do



<sup>9</sup> But he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ’s power may rest on me....

2 Corinthians 12:9–10 (NIV 2011)

...<sup>10</sup> That is why, for Christ's sake, I delight in weaknesses, in insults, in hardships, in persecutions, in difficulties. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

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What's something you find yourself  
in the midst of right now that's  
weighing heavy on your heart?

Despite that hard thing or situation  
in your life, what's something  
you're thankful for right now?