

# Faith Is The Weapon That Guarantees Our Victory

## 1 John 5:1-5

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**Thesis:** It is easy to feel defenseless against sin and the world. The weapons of the devil and the world seem more powerful than we can resist. But God, in His mercy, has provided us with a weapon that has already overcome the world. We must take up the weapon of faith and fight to obey the commands of God.

A. Faith is the weapon that brings love and victory (vs. 1, 4).

1. The origin of belief and faith.

2. Faith overcomes the worldly denial of God.

3. Faith overcomes the worldly love of self.

B. Love and victory come into fruition in obedience to the commands to love (vs. 2, 3).

1. Obedience is the very best way to show your love of God and others.

2. Because the victory has already been won, obedience is a joy not a burden.

C. Never underestimate the power of a simple reminder (vs. 5).