



Overcome By Evil

Have you ever described anyone as “pure evil?” Why? Normally, it is because that person does things that hurt others, either emotionally, physically, or spiritually. The person seems to be focused only on himself and his own personal gain. But why does someone become evil? They certainly weren’t born that way. I find it interesting that the apostle Paul exhorts, **“Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good” (Romans 12.21).**

When we are mistreated, it is easy to be overwhelmed by evil, allowing it to control us. We want to harm the person who harmed us. We want justice. But is that the appropriate response for a child of God? Should I want to do unto others as they do unto me when it is wicked? Is seeking revenge justifiable? Just as God told Cain, **“Sin is crouching at the door,”** we must realize the same (Genesis 4.7). That sin is always there and waiting to enter into us at every opportunity. When I have my feelings hurt, or when jealousy overtakes me, or when I feel neglected and abused, I want to lash out. How can I overcome my desire to do evil?

Question: How does evil overcome us? In Romans 12.14, we are commanded, **“Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them.”** If we ask God to curse our enemies, we have been overcome by evil. In Romans 12.19, Paul says, **“Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, ‘Vengeance is Mine, I will repay, says the Lord.’”** If we seek revenge, evil has gained the victory over us. John Stott, in his commentary on Romans, said, when we seek revenge, **“We have given in to evil, been sucked into its sphere of influence, and been defeated, overcome, even ‘overpowered’ by it.”** So, what do I do? Jesus said, **“You have heard it said, ‘You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.’ But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you” (Matthew 5.43, 44).**



How can I prevent evil from overpowering me? Paul said, **“Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good” (Romans 12.21).** Isn’t it hard to try to do good to someone who has intentionally hurt you? What a challenge. Is it easy to overcome evil with good? No. Is it impossible? Yes! How? As Paul told those at Philippi, **“I can do all things through Him who strengthens me” (Philippians 4.13).** With God’s help, I can overcome evil with good. Will you let God help?

Gary

Am I Controlling My Anger?

Ephesians 4.26, 27

- 1) Having Christ in your life is supposed to make your life better.
- 2) As we grow more and more like Christ daily, we learn to take control of the sin in our lives and live righteously instead.
- 3) But do we forget that we must learn to control our anger?
- 4) **Please open your Bibles to Genesis 4.1-15**

I) Anger Begins In The _____ Of Our _____.

- A) Why did God have respect for Abel's offering and not for Cain's (Hebrews 11.4)?
 - 1) The problem had nothing to do with _____, even though, that is who Cain was blaming.
 - 2) William Penn said, "It is he who is in the _____ that first gets angry."
 - 3) Isn't it easier to _____ at someone else than to _____ yourself?
- B) The root of jealousy is the amount of _____ I think I deserve.
- C) _____ matter to God (Matthew 15.8).

II) Anger Can Lead To _____.

- A) Cain directed his anger, jealousy, and hatred toward his brother.
 - 1) How do we deal with anger?
 - 2) God gave Cain a choice (Genesis 4.5-7).
- B) Why did Cain kill Abel?
 - 1) Did you notice that God constantly referred to Abel as "_____?"
 - 2) Do you realize we often kill people every day without a weapon but with our _____?
 - 3) How should we behave as Christians (Ephesians 4.29-32)?
- C) Sin has _____.

III) Anger Always Avoids The _____ (Genesis 4.9).

- A) God asked Cain a question: "*Where is Abel your brother?*"
 - 1) Cain's response was a denial couched in _____.
 - 2) Why did the writer of the book of Hebrews say that the blood of _____ spoke better than the blood of _____ (Hebrews 12.24)?
- B) When we are angry, we are not only _____ to the truth, but we _____ the truth.

IV) Anger Brings A _____ (Genesis 4.11, 12).

- A) What was Cain's punishment?
 - 1) Anger interrupts our _____ with God.
 - 2) Is it okay to sin thinking God will forgive me?
- B) How we relate to _____ affects how we relate to _____.

Conclusion: Am I going in the way of Cain?



VBS is fast approaching **June 22 - June 25**. Anyone who wishes to participate in VBS is asked to see Buck or Holly Thomas to be assigned an area in which to serve.

PLEASE USE THIS QR CODE TO BEGIN THE REGISTRATION FOR YOUR CHILDREN, THEIR FRIENDS, AND ALL VOLUNTEERS!



LADIES' BIBLE CLASS: meets on Tuesdays at 10 AM in the Fellowship Hall. The topic is "10 Words To Live By" by Jen Wilkin. A potluck luncheon is scheduled for May 27; please bring your favorite dishes. This will be the last Ladies' Bible class until the fall.



Caden Martinez sent a thank you card for the overwhelming show of love for his graduation. The card is located in the middle foyer.

Philippians 4:6-7 (NIV): "Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."

Congratulations:



Riley and Cassie Bowie are filled with joy as they welcome their beautiful baby girl, Eliora Jane, into the world! She made her grand entrance on May 21, 2025, weighing 8 lbs 7 oz. Big brother Arthur couldn't be more excited to have a little sister! The whole family is celebrating with proud grandparents James and Leah Bowie, and Claude and Lisa Williams. They also have the lovely Mary Helen Bowie as their great-grandma, sharing in this special moment. Please keep this wonderful family in your thoughts and prayers!

D'Anne Beall sent a card thanking everyone for their help over the years. She has now moved to 1788 Medical Park Dr. apt# W610, BILOXI, MS, 39532.

Skipper Reed is in Beacon Harbor Healthcare & Rehabilitation
6700 Heritage Parkway, Room 309A,
Rockwall, TX 75087

APRIL FOOD BANK STATS
182 – Families Served
\$691.81 – Cost to WHCOC
6280 lbs – Estimated Weight of Food

CALLING ALL PRESCHOOL TEACHERS:

Janelle Ball is reaching out for your support! We are looking for a dedicated teacher for our Sunday morning class for 3 and 4 year-olds, and we also need someone to lead our Wednesday night class for 2 to 5 year-olds. In addition, we appreciate any helpers who can join us in making these classes enriching and enjoyable for our little ones. Your involvement can make a significant difference in their learning experience. Thank you for considering this opportunity to impact our children's lives!

SHEPHERDS

Greg Ball	214-801-7375
Russ Bartee	817-938-5825
Dan Kille	817-793-7493
Chuck Meyer	682-553-5444
*Tom Pauley	817- 370-5515
Ross Tomlinson	682-429-1983
John Walton	817-441-0000

*Shepherd of the month

MINISTERS

Gary Williams:	662-321-3208
<i>Pulpit Minister</i>	
Les Keele:	817-808-0566
<i>Associate Minister</i>	
James Bowie:	817-944-4492
<i>Youth Minister</i>	

LAOTIAN MINISTRY

John Boudtaroth	817-891-2132
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DEACONS

Jon Bartee	817-889-2686
David Birdow	972-310-1143
James Bowie	817-944-4492
Zach Brookshire	817-296-9918
Brandon Duncan	903-603-1059
Jay Garner	817-205-2070
Ben Meyer	817-673-8557
Robert Scott	817-246-0911
Matt Sloan	405-471-3404
Steve Taylor	817-291-2065
Buck Thomas	817-733-2620
Arthur Torrez	817-721-2726

MORNING WORSHIP (10 AM)

Welcome - Steven Johnston

Song Leader - Caleb Bartee

Song - Blessed Assurance

Song - A Wonderful Savior

Song - The Great Redeemer

Prayer - Geoffrey Rodman

Scripture - Ephesians 4.26, 27

Song - Pierce My Ear

Lord's Supper - Adam Powers

Prayer for Contribution - Adam Powers

Song - I Know That My Redeemer Lives

Am I Controlling My Anger? - Gary Williams

Song - Victory In Jesus

Announcements - Les Keele

Shepherd's Prayer & Dismissal- Tom Pauley

Our Code for Tithe.ly Giving



QR Code for Attendance



Attended Nursery: After communion, we have an attended nursery available for ages birth to 3 years and a mother's nursing room.

Single-side in-ear mono earbuds with personal receivers are available for those with hearing difficulties. Please see the sound booth at the back of the auditorium for assistance.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Monday, May 26

1 Samuel 30-31; Psalm 18

Tuesday, May 27

2 Samuel 1-3; Psalm 141

Wednesday, May 28

Psalm 58, 2 Samuel 4-6

Thursday, May 29

Psalm 21, 2 Samuel 7-9

Friday, May 30

2 Samuel 10-12, Psalm 51

Saturday, May 31

Psalm 36; 2 Samuel 13-14

Sunday, June 1

Psalm 3; 2 Samuel 15-16; Psalm 70-71

Last Week

Bible Class	162	Wednesday	85
Worship	258	Contribution	\$18,786.94
PM Worship	53	Budget	\$ 14,216.88

Times of Assemblies

Bible Class:	9:00 AM
Sunday Morning Worship:	10:00 AM
Sunday Evening Worship:	5:00 PM
Wednesday Evening:	7:00 PM

FAMILY PRAYER REQUESTS

633 S. Kate St. Fort Worth, TX 76108 NAME	SITUATION	PRAY FOR
Betty Kille 5/22/2025	She continues chemo treatments. 4112 Arroyo Trail, Fort Worth, TX 76135	Healing
John Wright 5/20/2025	He request prayers at this time. 3921 Pershing Ave., Fort Worth, TX 76107	Guidance
Wayne Gary 5/13/2025	He is having focusing issues with his eyes due to fluid. 9912 Edmund Dr., Benbrook, TX 76126	Healing
Patti Musselman 5/8/2025	She is having knee issues and is going to the doctor to see about a replacement. 101 Rainbow Dr. #11625, Livingston, TX 77351	Good treatment and healing
Lorenza Fernandez 04/30/2025	She had surgery on May 11th. They are awaiting test results to decide where to go from here. 232 Lochness Drive, Benbrook, Texas 76126	The doctors, surgery, good results, better health
Bridgett Yawn 04/30/2025	Is having severe back pain. 9213 Idaho Street, Joshua, Texas 76058	To be pain free
Trace Witherspoon 04/29/2025	Crashed his bike and broke both bones in his left forearm. 3628 Brookland Avenue, Fort Worth, Texas 76116	Quick healing
Kitti Davis 04/21/2025	Has Parkinson's. 812 Ala Drive, Fort Worth, Texas 76108	Healing
Charles Stephen 04/25/2025	Is in Willow Park Rehab Room #410, with osteomyelitis. 633 South Kate Street, Fort Worth, Texas 76108	Healing
Carlos Wallace 04/13/2025	Healing for his leg. 3501 Renzel Boulevard, Apartment 2419, Fort Worth, Texas 76116	Healing
Kennedy Hill 04/13/2025	Please forgive my absence. I appreciate all who have reached out. I am better and ready to study The Word and have the "tough conversations". I have struggled for far too long. 6040 Walleye Drive, Fort Worth, Texas 76179	Continued good health, spiritual growth
Kham Intharansy 04/08/2025	She had her middle finger removed May 15th, due to sepsis. 7137 Bob Hanger Street, Fort Worth, Texas 76179	Healing for Kham and emotional guidance for family
Bob Willyerd 3/4/2025	Has returned home. 3704 Guadalupe Road, Fort Worth, Texas 76116	Recovery
Patricia Emerson 02/05/2025	Cancer has returned. 6536 Wooddale, Fort Worth, Texas 76148	Treatments and healing

FRIENDS, FAMILY, AND NEIGHBORS PRAYER REQUESTS

NAME	REQUESTED BY	ISSUE	PRAY FOR
Michial Green, nephew-in-law to	David Willmington	He has been diagnosed with liver cancer.	Guidance for doctors and Michial to lead toward healing 5/13/2025
Alex Farnsworth, friend of	Rickey Wilson	He has cancer that is spreading in the lining of his lungs.	Healing 5/13/2025
Ricky McLane, brother of	Mary Ann Poulsen	A tree fell on his house and he sustained an ankle fracture and dislocation. He had a plate and screws put in on May 22. Also needs prayers on fixing his house.	That they can get the house livable and healing 5/8/2025
Skipper Reed, former member	Frankie Smith	She broke her leg and has pneumonia. Had surgery on May 9th.	Healing 5/1/2025
Joe Ruiz, grandson of	Patricia Neislar	Joe is cancer free but will need to be tested every 3 months.	For him to stay in remission 5/02/2025
Tracy Bolt, mother of	Jimmy Bolt	Had surgery and is recovering at home.	Swift recovery and good results 04/28/2025
Mitch Bennett, son of	Shirley Bennett	Had 2nd heart surgery on May 27th.	Please pray for good recovery 4/28/2025
Barry Willmington, brother of	David Willmington	Has been diagnosed with a type of blood cancer. He remains in the hospital following treatments.	For treatments to be successful 04/21/2025
Kerry Antwine, brother-in-law of	Janelle Ball	Had a stent/cath procedure on April 25 for a severe blockage to his major artery.	All will go well and there be no further problems 04/15/2025
DJ, brother-in-law of	Pam Eubanks	Had a heart cath on April 15.	Good results 04/15/2025
Susan Dufrene	Frankie Smith	Continues to struggle with her mental health.	Receives the help she needs 04/15/2025
Paula Hamrick, sister of	Patti Musselman	Is having a difficult time with her chemotherapy and blood count.	Increased strength, good results, better days 04/10/2025
Brother-in-law of	Barbara Howard	Is suffering from a brain bleed which resulted from a nighttime fall.	Recovery 04/08/2025
Dorene Helton, sister-in-law of	Vickie and Monty Bowers	Had surgery on May 7 to remove the cancerous mass in her pancreas.	The doctors and success 04/07/2025
Shane Grantham, step-brother of	Kitti Davis	Has cancer.	Healing 04/16/2025
Jon Silcox, step-father of	D.J. Keller	Was diagnosed with stage 3 colon cancer.	Healing 3/22/2025
John Saxton, cousin of	Adam Powers	Has had a relapse of his brain cancer.	Remission and healing 03/23/2025
Lisa Harriman		UPDATE: Had surgery on April 28. 400 North Tacoma Street, Farmington, Arkansas 72730	Please pray for her continued treatments; strength, peace of mind 09/11/2024

MAY CELEBRATIONS

- 1 ARTHUR TORREZ
- 2 GAIL WILMINGTON
- 2 BRENDA RODMAN
- 3 KITTI DAVIS
- 3 PAT MCGUYER
- 5 GEOFFREY RODMAN
- 10 DAN KILLE
- 14 SHIRLEY BENNETT
- 15 JAYDEN CLAY
- 21 JUDY BIRMINGHAM
- 21 CURTIS FISHER
- 21 SHERRY KING
- 23 JOHN BOUDTAROTH
- 23 SANDY EDMUND
- 28 ANGIE KIRKPATRICK
- 30 MISSY HALL

CHILDREN

- 4 BRADY MEYER
- 10 HARPER DEKOKER
- 24 ELLIE SLOAN
- 31 KATHRYN BARTEE

ANNIVERSARIES

- 5 CHUCK AND SHERRY KING
40 YEARS

REMEMBER ME BIRTHDAYS

- 10 BECCA CROOK
- 12 PEGGY MENZDORF
- 14 DAHLIA CADE

Please notify the office if you, or a loved one, has been omitted from the list.

June Birthdays &

Anniversaries

- 1 Barbie Dekoker
- 3 Kathryn Sloan
- 4 Nancy Moody
- 7 Madeline Montanez
- 11 Carlos Wallace
- 12 Noah Johnston
- 13 Ben Meyer
- 17 Dawn Dickson
- 19 Doris Chin (104)
- 19 Barbara Howard
- 23 Alex Bartee
- 24 Delores Reeves
- 29 Trey Markum
- 30 Jennifer Scott

Anniversaries

- 5 John & Mary Ann Poulsen
- 7 Roy & Pam Eubanks
- 8 Charlie & Louise Beagle 70years
- 11 Justin & Faith Wideman
- 18 Steve & Karen Taylor
- 25 James & Leah Bowie

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