

## PREPARED FOR HIS SOON RETURN SERIES

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## VICTORY BEFORE THE BATTLE

Then I looked, and there before me was the Lamb, standing on Mount Zion, and with him 144,000 who had His name and His Father's name written on their foreheads. And I heard a sound from heaven like the roar of rushing waters and like a loud peal of thunder. The sound I heard was like that of harpists playing their harps. 3 And they sang a new song before the throne and before the four living creatures and the elders-(Revelation 14:1).

In Bible battles God's children are not only promised the victory, but they go into the fight with the victory already in hand; as David met with the giant Goliath in the valley of Ella, he told him: "the battle is the Lord's, and He will give all of you into our hands (1 Samuel 17:47). As Jehoshaphat was attacked by the enemies the angel of the Lord told him the Lord had already taken all the matter in His own hands (2 Chronicles 20: 15, 17). Before Gideon went into battle ground against the Midianites (Judges 7:9), God told

him: "I have delivered the people in your hands" (Judges 7:8). As Joshua was to go into battle against the Amorites (Joshua 10:8), the Lord sent to him a message telling him that He had already delivered his enemies into his hands. When Joshua was about to go battle against Jericho, God told him the land had already been given into His hands before the battle even began (Joshua 6:2).

Every child of God had already been given the victory 2000 years ago at Calvary by Jesus; but we still need to go to the battlefield to demonstrate our faith in God. We are to remember that every battle that we face as children of God has already been won in Jesus name. But while God gave us the victory before the fight, he then requires us to show up on the battle ground to glorify His name.

In these last days, as we are witnessing the final events of Bible prophecy, we are reminded that we have trying times ahead of us prior to the appearing in the cloud of our Lord and Savior Jesus-Christ. But it is so comforting to know that in Revelation 14, John the revelator first spoke of the 144000 standing on the sea of glass with palms of victory in their hands before he spoke of the 7 plagues they passed through; this is very meaningful for us Christians, because this tell us that they had received the victory before they went to the Jacob's time of trouble battle ground; this tells us also that battle is simple not theirs, but it is the Lord's.

Friends, as you prepare for the trying times ahead before the return of our Lord, be encouraged to know that you have been made more than a conqueror, victorious through the blood of the Lamb even before the last battle will begin.

For "Great and marvelous are the works of the Lord God Almighty!

Just and true are the ways of the King of the saints!

Who shall not fear the Lord, and glorify His name?

For He alone is holy.

## For all nations shall come and worship before Him. For His judgments have been manifested." (Revelation 14:3-4)

Let us go to the battle ground to vindicate His name, And prepare to see His face in the beauty of holiness. For He has given us the victory. Amen!

Yours in the blessed hope.

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