IBADAN VARSITY CHRISTIAN UNION (IVCU-NIFES)

BIBLE STUDY OUTLINE

THEME: MINISTERS OF CHRIST (1COR4:1)

TOPIC: VICTORY OVER THE WORLD 1

TEXT: 1 JOHN 5:1-13

MEMORY VERSE: 1 JOHN 5:4 For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith.

Introduction: A long age battle which has not stopped till today is the war between Light and Darkness, Truth and Evil. Man made by God found himself in the midst of this battle but in the confines of Gods pleasure (Eden) .But by deception of the enemy, man lost God, Eden and his authority. But what Devil stole by deception was restored by love. Faith in this love gives Victory above all the vices of the Devil.

STUDY POINTS

*Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world.1 JOHN4:4*

1. He that is in the world ( the Devil) John8:44

* A thief, a robber and a liar Gen 3:1-9 John 10:1,10
* Controls the world in the place of man Mt 4:8-9
* the man of lawlessness

1. What is in the world? 1 John2:16

* Lusts of the world John 8:44 1 John 2:15-16, 1Pet 2:11
* Hatred of God and his Son LK 19:14-15, John 15:18-25, Mt 23:34-37

Practical discussion; Things of the world against God: fashion, same sex marriage, etc.

1. God’s verdict and Redemption plan Gen 6:7-8;12-14, Isa 1:16-19, John 3:16-19, LK 1:70-75
2. Victory over the world 1John 5:1, 4-5, Col 1:12-14, Heb 4:2-3

Conclusion: What marvelous love the Father has extended to us! Just look at it — we're called children of God! That's who we really are. But that’s also why the world doesn’t recognize us or takes us seriously, because it has no idea who he is or what he's up to. But friends, that's exactly who we are: children of God. And that's only the beginning. Who knows how we'll end up! What we know is that when Christ is openly revealed, we'll see him — and in seeing him, become like him. All of us who look forward to his Coming stay ready, with the glistening purity of Jesus' life as a model for our own. (1 JOHN3;1-3)