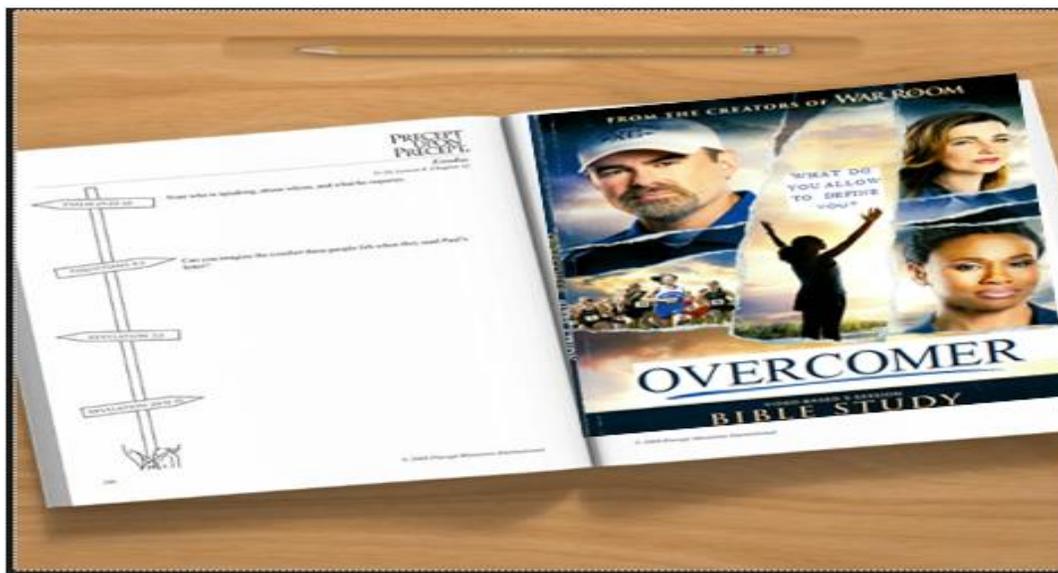


Session 0

Welcome to session 0 of our study. We call it session 0 because tonight you will get your student book and your first assignment.



Issue Books



How well you do with this study will depend 100% on how much time you spend with the Lord doing your homework and meditating on God's empirical truths.

Equipping
ROOM #: Class Room

TITLE: CONTACT LOG TEACHER'S NAME: Michael Whalen

Date	Student Name	Phone Number	Any special notes the class may need to know.

We will start tonight by have each of you writing your phone number on my roster. This is critical because throughout the study I will be sending out text messages to challenge you and to encourage you. I will not write to anyone individually, but I will establish a group... so each of you get the same messages.



I will give you my phone number, and website so you can contact me. The website will also be vital so you can review lessons whereas you are in the event you are someplace without your book. The website is www.michael71.org the link you'll need is for the equipping class. You will find all of the teacher notes from the last

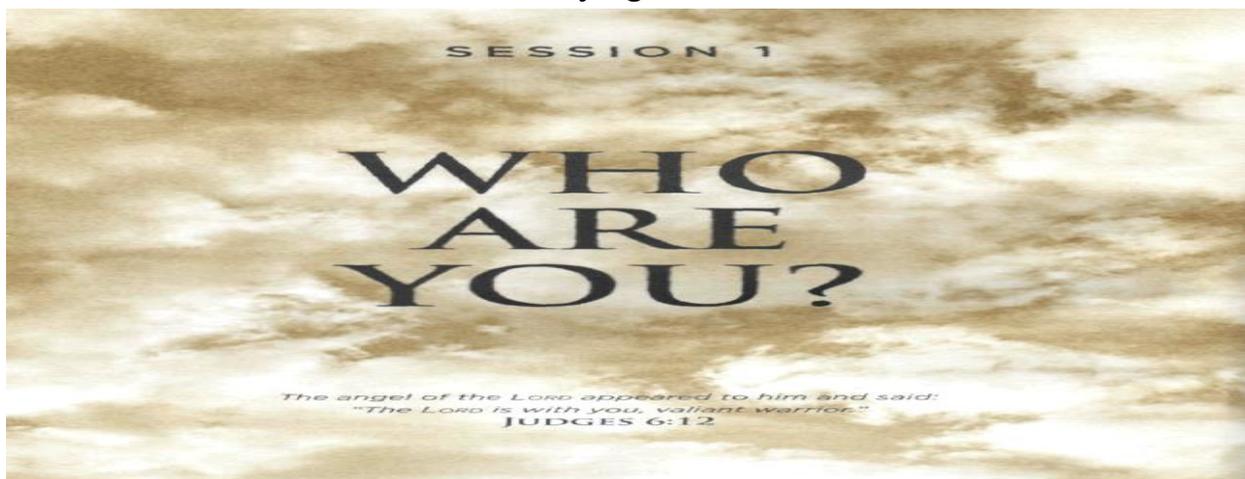
study here as well as the audio presentation from session 5 of the previous Sunday School Study.

I will post all teacher notes to the Courageous Sunday School study as well as an audio session for all four sessions.

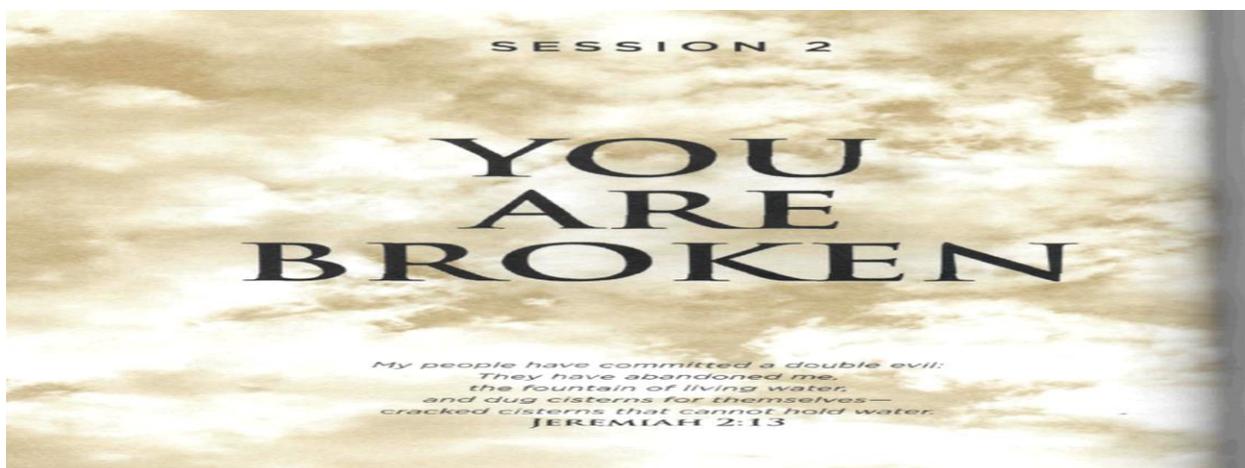
I will also post notes and audio for our Overcomer study in the event you miss a session.

Session 1 starts on July 23, next Tuesday and will meet each week each Tuesday at 6:45 Pm until August 20th. On Friday, August 23 will go to Fort Smith, AR to view the movie. "OVERCOMER" This is the perfect time to bring a friend, believer or non-believer, with you to the movie fellowship.

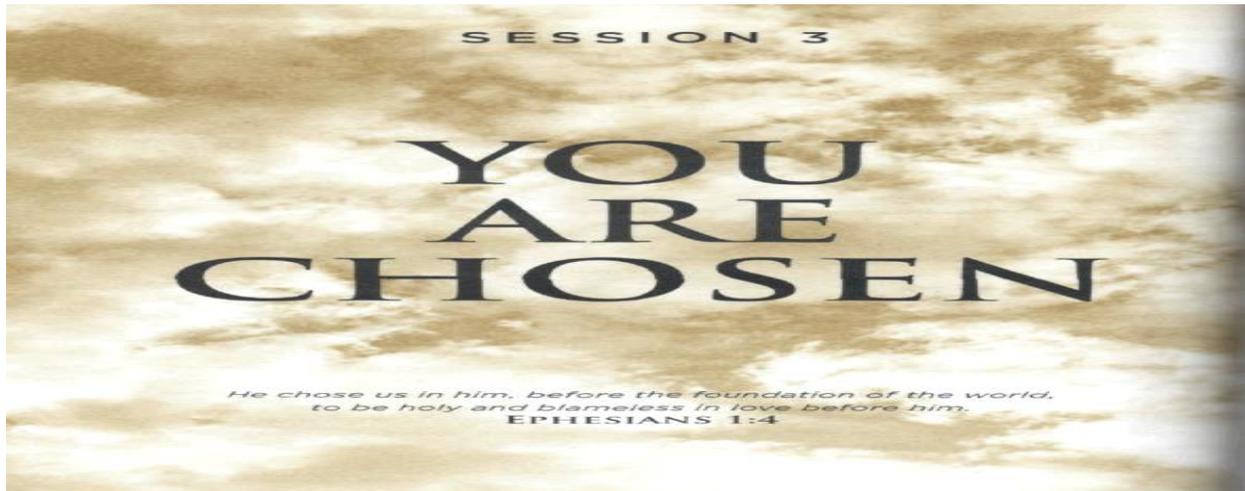
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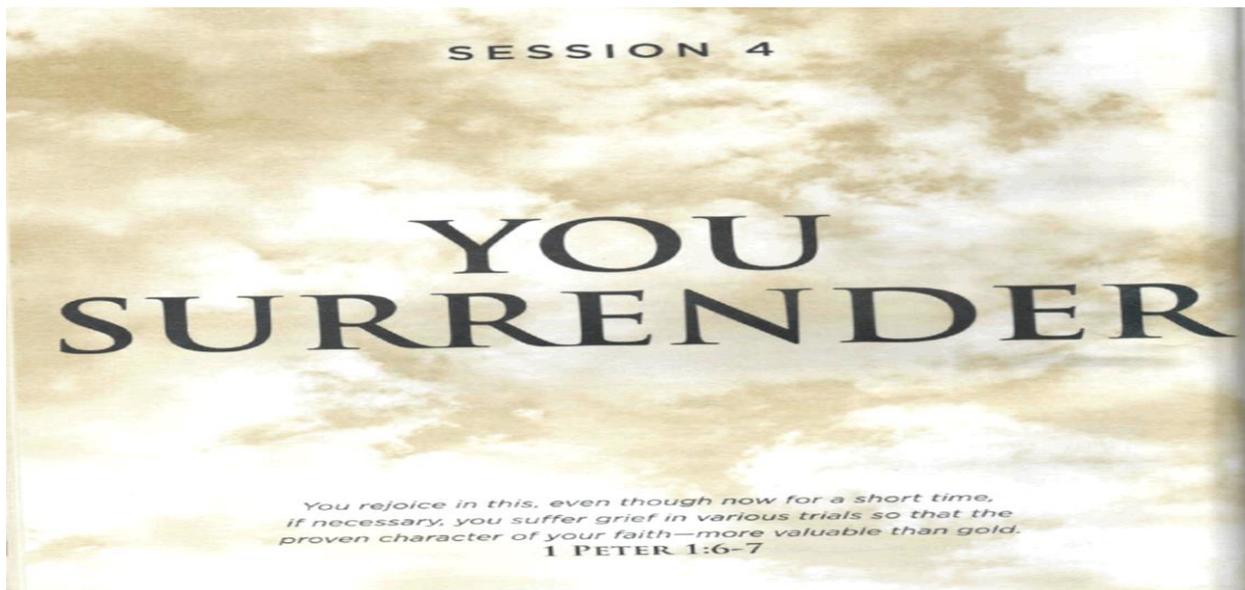
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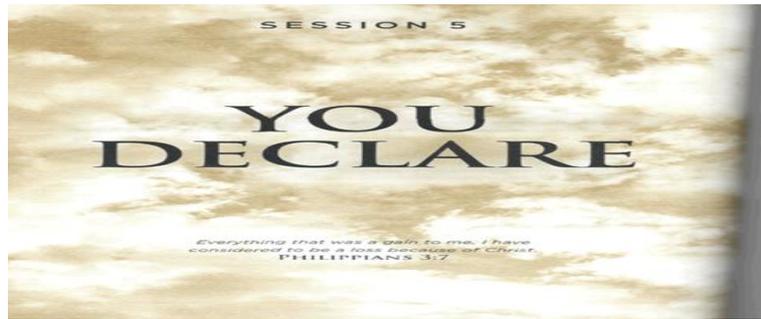
Session 2 is titled, **YOU ARE BROKEN!** During this session we will see ourselves as members of the human race who are all in a broken condition, and discover the eternal solution to brokenness.



Session 3 is titled, **YOU ARE CHOSEN** During this session we will re-discover that you were chosen before the foundation of the world were set, and that we need to share this truth with everyone.



Session 4 is titled, **YOU SURRENDER** During this session we will encounter a Lord Jesus who presents Himself as a gentleman, never forcing Himself on us but always ready to receive our 100% devotion when we chose to surrender to Him for real and forever.



Session 5 is titled YOU DECLARE. In this session you will discover a newness of life that causes you to fall in love with Jesus in ways that you can't keep silent about!

<p>A Prayer for Focus Dear Heavenly Father, Thank you for the gift of thought processes. Today I praise you for human minds. To understand the magnitude of your power is beyond my comprehension, Yet every detail of the world is under Your care. Lord, sometimes my mind grows cloudy With the cares of this world. The fog sets in and I can't think clearly. I need you, the Light of the World,</p>	<p>Would you help me stay focused on your light? Because my eyes grow so dim in the dark. Would you provide clarity and make it bright? For when I get a tiny glimpse Of a life led by your shine, I realize with each beaming ray I want that life to be mine. In Jesus' name, Amen</p>
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Remember to get the most from each session, **bathe your study time with prayer and don't compromise**, on any of the material. Some of the material asks very probing questions, answer then 100% honestly. Your answers are yours unless you decide to share them.



Sample questions for discussion tonight...

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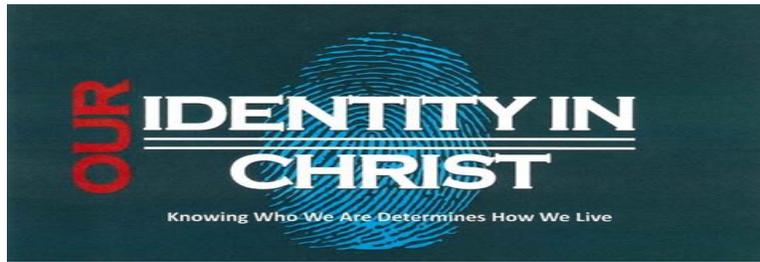
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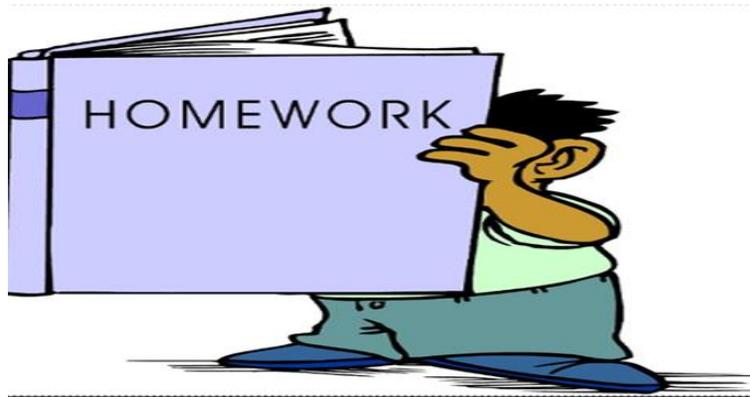
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Remember, who you are starts with where you came from, includes where you've been, and indicates where you're going. Tell us about your life.



If your identity is scripted by Almighty God and is consistent with His Word, you're living in the truth of who He made you to be. Discovering and living that identity, as defined by God, affects everything about life. This endeavor is always worth the effort.



Your homework starts with session 1, on page 14. Your home work is divided up into day 1, 2, and day 3. I recommend you spend two days on each day assignment to really read and meditate on the questions that will give you six days of studying.

You must look up each scripture, and study it in context. Answer each question. This study is new to me as well and I will be doing both student study and teacher study. Remember, pray before engaging the material.

Any Questions? Anyone who wants to bring snacks is welcome. We will have coffee and tea for you.