

# Message Notes



## **“Conquer the Chaos”**

Part one of the series: “Overcomer: Be Who You Are”

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### **Ephesians 2:1-10**

*“...In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.”  
(John 16:33)*

#### **Without Christ, we are dead in our sin and experience its consequences.**

*“As for you, you were dead in your transgressions and sins,<sup>2</sup> in which you used to live when you followed the ways of this world and of the ruler of the kingdom of the air, the spirit who is now at work in those who are disobedient.<sup>3</sup> All of us also lived among them at one time, gratifying the cravings of our flesh and following its desires and thoughts. Like the rest, we were by nature deserving of wrath.”  
(Ephesians 2:1-3)*

*“For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.” (Romans 6:23)*

#### **Because of God’s love, we are offered the gift of life.**

*“But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy,<sup>5</sup> made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved.<sup>6</sup> And God raised us up with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly realms in Christ Jesus,<sup>7</sup> in order that in the coming ages he might show the incomparable riches of his grace, expressed in his kindness to us in Christ Jesus.<sup>8</sup> For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—<sup>9</sup>not by works, so that no one can boast.”  
(Ephesians 2:4-9)*

#### **God fills our lives with purpose and meaning to make a difference.**

- **We become part of a spiritual family.**

*“Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God...” (John 1:12)*

- **We discover purpose in our past pain.**

*“And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.” (Romans 8:28)*

- **We are given meaningful work to do.**

*“For we are God’s handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.” (Ephesians 2:10)*

#### **Christ on the inside is greater than the chaos on the outside.**

*“No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.”  
(Romans 8:37)*

