

*Your victory is NOT in your enemies  
defeat ... your victory is in Christ*

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Can anything good ever come from something bad, something terrible, something you wish had not happened? Is there ever a time when someone who loses actually wins? Does God know what He is doing when He occasionally allows an enemy to win a battle or succeed in some endeavor you are involved in? The answer to all these questions is a definite yes.

God can and does allow our enemies to overplay their hand and seemingly win some battles which eventually turn out to our best interest. Such was the case when the enemies of God succeeded in beating and crucifying Jesus. It was also true when Syria defeated Israel by killing Ahab in 1 Kings 22. Keep your eyes off of your enemy's victories and off of your enemy's defeats ... keep your eyes on Jesus, for your victory is in Him.

Prayer for Today

Dear Lord, help me to keep my eyes on You and off of my problems. Teach me to love my enemies and bless those who persecute me and treat me wrongfully. Help me to realize that my victory does not lie in my enemy's defeat, but rather my victory is in You.

Scriptures for Today

1 Corinthians 15:57 But thanks be to God, who giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. (KJV)

2 Corinthians 2:14 Now thanks be to God who always leads us in triumph in Christ, and through us diffuses the fragrance of His knowledge in every place. (NKJV)

Luke 6:27 But I say to you who hear: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you. (NKJV)