

HOW TO BE TRIUMPHANT

Triumph: The processional entry of a victorious general into ancient Rome. Also, to be victorious, to be successful, to prevail, to overcome.

God's will was for Jesus to be triumphant and God's will is for you to be triumphant.

Jesus did not go to the cross so that you would lose or that you would not have victory.

He went to the cross so that you would prevail, that you would overcome, that you would triumph!

You couldn't do that on your own, He bought that right for you and that's a right that He wants us to exercise! To do that, we have to believe it!

There are things in your life right now that God wants you to overcome through partnership with Him.

We cannot follow Jesus unless we take up our cross. The cross symbolizes death.

When we take up our cross, we are submitting our lives to Christ, by dying to self, even dying to many of our own expectations, so that we can live for Him.

Jesus paid the price that the power of sin could be broken over us. You do NOT have to sin anymore!

Our expectations often do not match God's expectations.

God expected Jesus to go to the Cross. His followers did not.

The way to victory is by way of the cross.

Three things God expects of Pastor Andy:

1. To take up his cross humbly, to have a broken and contrite heart.
2. To set aside undue expectations from others and himself.

We must operate out of God's expectations, not our own or anyone else's.

There is victory waiting for you on the other side of your cross.

3. To expect Jesus to save.

Don't dictate to God through your expectations how or when He will do anything.

There is nothing wrong with crying out Hosanna, to cry out "Lord save us now!"

But there is something wrong with not following Jesus all the way to the cross.

SCRIPTURE LIST

Matthew 21:1-11

Psalm 118:25

Mathew 20:20-28

Psalm 51:17

Isaiah 66:2

Ephesians 6:18