

Title: Surfing with God
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Why are we here?

Matthew 28:19a

¹⁹ Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations...

What season are we in?

Matthew 11:12

¹² And from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffers violence, and the violent **take it by force**.

God's current emphasis?

I Peter 5:8-9a

⁸ Be sober, be **vigilant**; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour. ⁹ Resist (vigorously oppose) him, steadfast in the faith...

John 10:10

¹⁰ The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly.

1. Find your balance

Proverbs 29:25

²⁵ The **feared** of man brings a snare, But whoever **trusts** in the LORD shall be safe.

I Samuel 17:37

³⁷ Moreover David said, "The LORD, who delivered me from the paw of the **lion** and from the paw of the **bear**, He will deliver me from the hand of this **Philistine**."

James 1:5-8

⁵ If any of you lacks **wisdom**, let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally and without reproach, and it will be given to him. ⁶ But let him ask in **faith**, with no doubting, for he who doubts is like **a wave of the sea** driven and tossed by the wind. ⁷ For let not that man suppose that he will receive anything from the Lord; ⁸ he is a **double-minded** man, unstable in all his ways.

James 4:2b-3

² Yet you do not have because you do not ask. ³ You ask and do not receive, because you ask **amiss**, that you may spend it on **your pleasures**.

Hebrews 11:6

⁶ But without **faith** it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that **He is**, and that He is **a rewarder** of those who **diligently seek** Him.

2. Get to know your waves

a) Sin & compromise

Revelation 3:19, 21

¹⁹ As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten. Therefore be zealous and **repent**.

²¹ To him who **overcomes** I will grant to sit with Me on My throne, as I also overcame and sat down with My Father on His throne.

b) **Tribulation**

John 16:33

33 These things I have spoken to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have **tribulation**; but be of good cheer, **I have overcome** the world.

Philippians 4:6-7

⁶ Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; ⁷ and the **peace of God**, which surpasses all understanding, will **guard your hearts and minds** through Christ Jesus.

c) **Evil people**

Romans 12:17a, 19-21

¹⁷ Repay no one evil for evil

¹⁹ Beloved, do not avenge yourselves, but rather give place to wrath; for it is written, "Vengeance is Mine, I will repay," says the Lord. ²⁰ Therefore "If your enemy is hungry, feed him; If he is thirsty, give him a drink; For in so doing you will heap coals of fire on his head."

²¹ Do not be overcome by evil, but **overcome evil with good**.

d) **The accuser - devil**

Revelation 12:10-11

¹⁰ Then I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, "Now salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of His Christ have come, for the **accuser** of our brethren, who accused them before our God day and night, has been cast down. ¹¹ And they overcame him by the **blood of the Lamb** and by the **word of their testimony**, and they did not love their lives to the death.

e) **The accuser - people**

Isaiah 54:17a

¹⁷ No weapon formed against you shall prosper, And every **tongue** which rises against you in judgment **YOU shall condemn**. This is the heritage of the servants of the LORD...

3. **Paddle in – duck & dive**

4. **Conquer big waves**

The world

I John 5:5

⁵ Who is he who **overcomes the world**, but he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

Psalms 23:5a

⁵ You prepare **a table** before me in the presence of my **enemies**...

Revelation 2:7b

⁷ ... To him who **overcomes** I will give to eat from the tree of life, which is in the midst of the Paradise of God.

Revelation 21:7-8

⁷ **He who overcomes** shall inherit all things, and I will be his God and he shall be My son. ⁸ But the **cowardly**, unbelieving, abominable, murderers, sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars shall have their part in the lake which burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death."

Revelation 2:11b

¹¹ ... He who overcomes shall not be hurt by the second death.

Philippians 4:13

¹³ I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.