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Series: How To Be An Overcome - Part 2: THINK LIKE A CHAMPION

In order to overcome in life, we need to learn to think like a champion. A champion always thinks he is going to win. For a true champion, the thought of losing or being defeated in not an option. Let's learn how to think like a champion!

- 1. How does a champion think?
 - a. Because of God all things are <u>POSSIBLE</u>.

 Mark 10:27 27 But Jesus looked at them and said, "With men it is impossible, but not with God; for with God all things are possible."
 - b. Because of God I can do <u>ALL THINGS.</u>
 Philippians 4:13 13 I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.
 - c. Because of God I can <u>OVERCOME</u> everything in this world.
 1 John 4.4 4 You are of God, little children, and have overcome them, because He who is in you is greater than he who is in the world.
- 2. Get rid of negative thoughts.
 - a. **PLANT** God's Word in your mind.

James 1:21 - 21 Therefore lay aside all filthiness and overflow of wickedness, and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls.

b. God's thoughts will LIFT YOU UP.

Isaiah 55:8-9 - 8 "For My thoughts are not your thoughts, Nor are your ways My ways," says the Lord 9 "For as the heavens are higher than the earth, So are My ways higher than your ways, And My thoughts than your thoughts.

Conclusion: The way you overcome is to think like a champion. No matter what you face or what needs to be overcome in your life think like a champion, think "because of God". Replace negative thoughts with God's thoughts and let God's thoughts lift you and bring you into victory.

Discussion questions:

- 1. Based on the verses in the sermon what does it mean to think like a champion?
- 2. Based on James 1:21 how can you get rid of negative thoughts and begin to think like a champion?
- 3. Based on Isaiah 55:8-9 why should we replace our thoughts with God's thoughts?