

RECOMMIT

Recommit: Overcoming
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- Open in prayer.
- Read Romans 8:28-39. Romans 8:28 starts with, “we **KNOW** that all things work together for the good.” Sometimes we can “know” things but not believe them. Take a moment to provide examples of things you know but have a hard time believing.
- Remember: God is working to form Christ in us. Read Romans 8:28-29 and 1 Peter 5:10.
 - 1 Peter 5:10 says that God “called us.” Why is this important? How can you find hope in the truth that we are “called”?
 - God is not only “calling” us, but He is “working” in us. What does it mean for “Christ to be formed in us”? Why is it important that Christ is being formed in us?
 - If Christ is not being formed in us, what is?
- Remember: The cross is for us. Read Romans 8:30-32
 - The Cross was a symbol of terror and destruction used by the Romans to instill fear in their enemies and promote loyalty among their allies. How is it possible that a sign/symbol of devastating defeat can be turned into a symbol of glorious victory that we celebrate today?
 - What is important about the progression in Romans 8:30 (He called, justified, glorified)?
 - Based on Pastor Paul’s teaching, what does it mean for the “cross to be for us”?
- Remember: God’s resurrection power is in us. Read Romans 8:33-34.
 - In what ways have you faced accusation? Do any of the accusations relate to your belief and faith in God?
 - Why is it important for us to know that God’s resurrection power is in us? What is the danger of forgetting or neglecting this tremendous truth?
- Remember: We are more than conquerors because of God’s love in Christ. Read Romans 8:35-39 and Romans 5:2-5.
 - How can you live a life of remembrance (God is forming Christ in us, the Cross is for us, the resurrection power is in us, we are more than conquerors)?
- **Soul-Tattoo:**
 - Remember: We are Overcomers because of Christ’s love in us.
 - Remember: If you need help overcoming something in your life, we’re here to help.
- Close by reading **The Prayer of St. Patrick** found below.

*I arise today through God's strength to pilot me;
God's might to uphold me, God's wisdom to guide me,
God's eye to look before me, God's ear to hear me,
God's word to speak for me, God's hand to guard me,
God's way to lie before me, God's shield to protect me,
God's hosts to save me afar and anear, alone or in a multitude.*

*Christ shield me today against wounding
Christ with me, Christ before me,
Christ behind me, Christ in me,
Christ beneath me, Christ above me,
Christ on my right, Christ on my left,
Christ when I lie down, Christ when I sit down,
Christ in the heart of everyone who thinks of me,
Christ in the mouth of everyone who speaks of me,
Christ in the eye that sees me,
Christ in the ear that hears me.*

I arise today through the mighty strength of the Lord of creation.