

**VICTORY OVER FAILURES WORKSHEET (I John 5:4-5)**

(if applicable) Name of person I have failed to love God's way My Children

<p>(1) My specific unbiblical thoughts, words, and actions (Matthew 7:1-5)</p>	<p>(2) "Put off" &amp; reference(s) (Ephesians 4:22; Colossians 3:5-9)</p>	<p>(3) "Put on" &amp; reference(s) (Ephesians 4:24; Colossians 3:10-17)</p>	<p>(4) My plan not to repeat this sin and to respond biblically instead (Titus 2:11-14)</p>
<p>When disciplining my children, I have consistently relied upon my own insufficient wisdom, instead of using God's word. I say, "Because I said so," instead of saying, "Let's see what God's word has to say about this." I have taught my children to obey me, just because I am Mom, and I have completely failed to teach them to follow God's word. I have placed myself in authority over God. I have failed to teach them to seek God's will in all they do. Instead I have taught them to please me.</p>	<p>Self-Exaltation (Matthew 23:12)</p> <p>Provoking my children to anger by teaching them to follow an imperfect example (Ephesians 6:4)</p>	<p>Humility (Matthew 23:12)</p> <p>Nurture, Admonition (Ephesians 6:4)</p>	<p><b>PATTERNS:</b> Self-Exaltation in Disciplining My Children</p> <p><b>My basic plan for overcoming my inflated view of self is to think, speak and act biblically in order to become more and more Christ-like every day and to train myself to use God's word in disciplining my children so that we all may be better able to discern both good and evil. (Hebrews 5:14)</b></p> <p><b>Think biblically.</b></p> <p>I will thank God for the wonderful blessings He has given to me in my children. I will confess my sinful ways of parenting to God. I will ask for God's help in rearing my children in a biblical way instead of doing it "MY WAY." I will seek to learn God's word better, so that I can teach it to my children throughout each day, and especially during times when they need to be disciplined. I will remember that if I am faithful to act in accordance with the Word of God, He will bless my efforts and help me to grow into the image of Jesus Christ. I will seek to please God with my thought life by dwelling on things which are true, honest, just, pure, lovely, of good report, virtuous, and praise worthy (Philippians 4:8). I will think about what is biblical before I speak or act, especially when dealing with discipline of the children.</p>