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## Background

I was attending a Day of Refreshing at Lox Lane Christian Encounter Centre near Shaftesbury, England when the title of this item started going round in my mind. I sat down to jot down a few bullet points so that I could return to it later. However, I found myself writing the complete article below.

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Vulnerability is the divine currency which purchases victory. To gain victory we must enter the battle. If we stand on the sidelines or flee from the battle, we cannot share in the victory and risk being defeated.

To enter the battle, we must allow ourselves to become vulnerable. Battle fields are vulnerable places. However, for those in the heavenly army, they are not lethal.

There is a great difference between "vulnerable" and "lethal". Vulnerable means the capability of being wounded, injured, or hurt. Lethal means deadly. God's armour cannot be breached. Wearing it means that we cannot be destroyed. However, we may gain a few knocks, bruises, cuts, and scars along the way. That is the nature of warfare, earthly or divine.

But none of the wounds we receive will be permanent. He has promised to heal all hurts and wipe away all tears. Jesus is not only the captain of the army, but he is also the divine physician. He leads us and heals every hurt, whether it's physical, emotional, or spiritual. He was wounded for us, but not even death could destroy him or his purpose.

So, whether it's a personal struggle or a major onslaught of the enemy, seek the divine banner and follow the one who overcomes, for victory is assured.

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