

The Seven First Words of the Church

Philippians 4:13

Baby's first words

Persons last words

Christ's last 7 statements

Church's last 7 words "We never did it that way before!"

Seven first words of the church "I can do all things through Christ..."

Our Church basis its life and ministry on these words!

The First words of the Church are positive!

Paul says "I can

Easy to say "I can't"

Major on I can vbs new flooring etc

The seven first words of the Church suggest a pattern

Paul says "I can do all things"

Against public opinion or the endorsement of the right people.

World evangelism Mission Need all around us

The first words of the Church affirms a presence.

Paul , “I can do all things through Christ!

Christ in you --- Individual responsibilities trials suffering temptation

Christ in the Church --- teaching suffering etc

The First words of the Church show power

Paul, “I can do everything through Christ Who strengthens me”

Working through us

**Christ does not do everything for the believer but neither does the
believer Do everything for himself**

Christ works through us.

ILL. a Tree – hidden resources

Man never originates power but it is always given him