

SCRIPTURE REFERENCE NOTES

Fellowship Bible Church
WOMEN IN THE WORD

Spiritual Warfare: terms of engagement
Study Book by David Jeremiah
Ephesians 6:10-18

Lesson 2—"Identifying the Enemy"

THE WILES or STRATEGIES OF THE DEVIL

Eph 6:10-13 (NKJV) Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might. ¹¹ Put on the whole armor of God that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. ¹² For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places. ¹³ Therefore take up the whole armor of God that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.

- ***wiles of the devil-*** trickery or deceptive methods of attack
- ***we do not wrestle against flesh and blood...***

2 Cor 2:10-11 (NLT) When you forgive this man, I forgive him, too. And when I forgive whatever needs to be forgiven, I do so with Christ's authority for your benefit,¹¹ **so that Satan will not outsmart us, for we are familiar with his evil schemes.**

Are you familiar with Satan's schemes and methods?

MIND GAMES

Gen 3:1-5 (NKJV) ¹ Now the serpent was more cunning than any beast of the field which the Lord God had made. And he said to the woman, "Has God indeed said, 'You shall not eat of every tree of the garden?'" ² And the woman said to the serpent, "We may eat the fruit of the trees of the garden; ³ but of the fruit of the tree which *is* in the midst of the garden, God has said, 'You shall not eat it, nor shall you touch it, lest you die.'" ⁴ Then the serpent said to the woman, "You will not surely die. ⁵ For God knows that in the day you eat of it your eyes will be opened and you will be like God, knowing good and evil."

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THE WARFARE OF JOB - Job 1:1-22

Job 1:1-5

Job 1:6

Romans 14:12 (NKJV) So then each of us shall give account of himself to God
Job 1:7

1 Peter 5:8 (NKJV) Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour.

Job 1:8

Job 1:9-11

Job 1:12

1 Cor 10:13 (NLT) - "The temptations in your life are no different from what others experience. And God is faithful. He will not allow the temptation to be more than you can stand. When you are tempted, he will show you a way out so that you can endure."

Job 1:13

"Now there was a day..."

Job 1:14-19

Job 1:20-21

Job...worshipped.

ROUND 2 Job 2:1-10

Job 2:1-6

Job 2:7-8

Job 2:9

"Curse God and die".

Job 2:10

CONCLUSION:

Job 42:5 (NLT)⁵ I had only heard about you before, but now I have seen you with my own eyes.

James 5:11 (NLT) We give great honor to those who endure under suffering. For instance, you know about Job, a man of great endurance. You can see how the Lord was kind to him at the end, for the Lord is full of tenderness and mercy.

FOR THOUGHT:

- How do you respond to life's daily interruptions and disappointments?
- How do you respond to being misunderstood or criticized?
- How do you respond to hardship or suffering when it comes?

How we respond to minor daily difficulties and relational irritations is a good indication to where we are spiritually. It is a clear sign of how we will fare when worse comes to us.

Ask the Lord to help you to be alert to these everyday attacks and to respond in the power of His might and stand strong in faith. As we daily train for the battle we will be better prepared when the greater trials come. Worshipping God is always the best response to anything that comes our way. Try it today!

SATAN'S STRATEGIES

- He tempts. (Matt.4:1; 1 Chron. 21:1; Acts 5:3)
- He sows false believers in the church. (Matt. 13:39)
- He steals God's words from the hearts of inattentive listeners. (Matt. 8:12)
- He causes sickness. (Luke 13:16; Acts 10:38)
- He traps and captures people to do his will. (2 Tim. 2:26)
- He prowls about looking for easy prey to devour. (1 Peter 5:8)
- He incites unbelievers to persecute believers. (Rev. 2:10)
- He deceives. (Rev. 12:9)
- He slanders God's children before God's throne (Job 1:9–11; Job 2:4; Zech. 3:1)
- He can take possession of a human. (Luke 22:3)
- He demands the right to "sift a believer like wheat". (Luke 22:21)
- He can be used by God to discipline His children. (1 Cor. 5:5; 2 Cor. 12:7; 1 Tim. 1:20)
- He can outwit an unsuspecting Christian. (2 Cor. 2:11)
- He can masquerade as an angel of light. (2 Cor. 11:14)
- He can oppose a Christian in his duty. (1 Thess. 2:18)
- He can mimic God's power in such a way that unbelievers can be deceived to believe a lie. (2 Thess. 2:9–12)

SATAN'S DESTINY

Rev 20:10 (NLT)¹⁰ Then the devil, who had deceived them, was thrown into the fiery lake of burning sulfur, joining the beast and the false prophet. There they will be tormented day and night forever and ever.