

Angelology Series - **God's Enemies** Pastor Bryan Keith Dugger - 5/21/2017

I. **Opposition**

II. Satan & Demons

Overview & Summary

Activity

Luke 11:14-26

III. Resisting & Overcoming

Personal Reflection

Take time this week to pray & respond to the following:

Opposition comes in many forms. Internal self-doubt, circumstantial obstacles & external threat from others are just a few of the challenges you face on a day-to-day basis. If you are a committed follower of Jesus Christ, you should expect opposition in both the physical & spiritual realms.

The enemies of God resist the fulfillment of His will. Satan & the other fallen angels endeavor to undermine the advance of the Gospel & strive to hinder the maturing & growth of God's people. Their goal is to distract, discourage & deceive humans into believing there is no cause for concern. The enemy is relentless in this effort because they know their time is running out.

Though they are formidable opponents, resisting & overcoming the enemies of God is possible. Their efforts & tactics are no match for the power of the Lord. God stands alone, He is unequaled in His might & authority. You have access to the power of God through the indwelling presence of Holy Spirit.

Are you on guard & spiritually equipped to repel the attacks of the enemy? Is anything in your life creating an open door of opportunity for them to get a foothold in your mind, heart or will? Are you committed to not only resist & overcome but to also help others do the same?

Prayerfully thank God that He has not left you undefended & incapable of having victory over the efforts of His enemies. Ask God to reveal areas in your life that are potential weak points in your defenses against distraction, discouragement & deception. Commit to daily invest in your spiritual formation through prayer, Bible study, worship & service.