THE FAMILY CHURCH MESSAGE NOTES

Title: "Seduction: Exposing The Enemy of My Promise" Part 3

Subtitle: Wake Up Call #2

Scripture: Hebrews 12:15-17 NLT Speaker: Pastor Ted Winsley

Date: April 14, 2024

Read 1 Timothy 4:1-2 KJV Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils; 2 Speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their conscience seared with a hot iron:

Introduction

Seduction is the art of enticing a people to believe and make negative choices that lead to the disqualification of promises and blessings that already belong to them! This Spirit drives people to willfully choose bondage and pain while forfeiting freedom and fulfillment. Today, we will continue to reclaim our promise by exposing the spirit of seduction!!

• When seduction is in operation, the one thing most needed to break the hold of seduction is a **wake**-up **call**.

Read Psalm 119:1-3 NLT Joyful are people of integrity, who follow the instructions of the Lord. 2 Joyful are those who obey his laws and search for him with all their hearts. 3 They do not compromise with evil, and they walk only in his paths.

Today's wake-up call #2 - You know you're being seduced when you are willing to **compromise** God's **ways** for what you **want**!

Compromise- making decisions that are <u>against</u> your faith/beliefs, yielding to **pressure** or temptation.

(Demonstration Adam, Eve, The snake, and Satan)

Results of Compromise That Come From Spiritual Seduction

Read 1 Timothy 6:6-10 NLT Yet true godliness with contentment is itself great wealth. 7 After all, we brought nothing with us when we came into the world, and we can't take anything with us when we leave it. 8 So if we have enough food and clothing, let us be content.

9 But people who long to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many foolish and harmful desires that plunge them into ruin and destruction. 10 For

the love of money is the root of all kinds of evil. And some people, craving money, have wandered from the true faith and pierced themselves with many sorrows.

#1 We are driven by the <u>desire</u> to become <u>rich</u> (self-<u>sufficient</u>), instead of accepting that Christ has already made us <u>wealthy</u> and we can learn to be **content**!

- The pursuit of riches/possessions becomes an <u>idol</u> that <u>replaces</u> God as
 the primary focus of <u>worship</u> and devotion. This leads to distorted
 <u>priorities.</u> (<u>True</u> worship of God will never be achieved, as long as you still
 struggle with giving God <u>control</u> over this area of your life).
- The pursuit of riches brings <u>anxiety</u> and worry rather than <u>trusting</u> God's provision!
- Anxiety and worry can cause us to become <u>manipulative</u> and can even bring on unexplained <u>sickness</u>.

Freedom From the Spirit That Would Drive You to Trade Everything For Nothing

Read Mark 10:20-21 NIV 20 "Teacher," he declared, "all these I have kept since I was a boy." 21 Jesus looked at him and loved him. "One thing you lack," he said. "Go, sell everything you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me."

- 1. Trade **Accumulation**, for Allocation.
- 2. Trade a balance sheet, for a balanced life.
- 3. Trade **money** as your **god**, for Your God as your Lord!

Read Psalm 144:9-10 & 12-15 NLT 9 I will sing a new song to you, O God! I will sing your praises with a ten-stringed harp. 10 For you grant victory to kings! You rescued your servant David from the fatal sword. May our sons flourish in their youth like well-nurtured plants. May our daughters be like graceful pillars, carved to beautify a palace. 13 May our barns be filled with crops of every kind. May the flocks in our fields multiply by the thousands, even tens of thousands, 14 and may our oxen be loaded down with produce. May there be no enemy breaking through our walls, no going into captivity, no cries of alarm in our town squares. 15 Yes, joyful are those who live like this! Joyful indeed are those whose God is the Lord.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A QUEEN'S BRUNCH - Join Pastor Dawn as we celebrate womanhood on Sat., May 4th at 9 am. You will enjoy a word from Dr. Anita Phillips Young ladies are welcomed 13 and up. Register online www.thefamilychurchnj.com/events or on our mobile app.

TFC BROTHERHOOD MEN'S BOWLING - Come join the men of TFC at Laurel Lanes on Sat. April 27th, 6 PM for a time of fun and fellowship. \$25 per person. Register @ www.thefamilychurchnj.com/events or on our mobile app.

CRAVE YOUNG ADULT RETREAT - Join us at Sandy Cove, MD as we take time to fellowship, worship, and renew our mental, physical, and spiritual health on Aug. 21-23. View registration for more information and payment details. Register online at www.thefamilychurchnj.com/events or on our mobile app.

<u>CREATIVE SQUAD-</u> If you have a skill in videography, video editing, website design, graphic design, planning events, branding, social media, content creation, and script writing, the Creative Squad needs you. if interested, email your name, number, area of interest, and a few samples of your portfolio to icreate@thefamilychurchnj.com

<u>HELP UGANDA</u> - Pastors Ted & Dawn Winsley will be traveling to bless other leaders in Uganda Africa from June 24th - July 9th. If you would like to be a blessing, please donate using the QR Code.

<u>Next Step Classes</u> - Next Step classes will be offered at 9:30 am. For more information, register through our mobile app. Or, send any inquiries to <u>adulteducation@thefamilychurchnj.com</u>



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Holy Communion

1st Sunday of the Month

Devotion/Prayer

Corporate Prayer Every Saturday 8 am – 8:30 am
Conference call line 267.807.9605 and access code 114853
Last Saturday of the month 8 am – 9 am In person

Mission Statement

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