

THE FAMILY CHURCH MESSAGE NOTES

Title: **“Seduction: Exposing The Enemy of My Promise” part 2**

Subtitle: **The Impacts of Submitting to a Seducing Spirit**

Scripture: **Hebrews 12:15-17 NLT**

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Read Hebrews 12:15-17 NLT 15 Look after each other so that none of you fails to receive the grace of God. Watch out that no poisonous root of bitterness grows up to trouble you, corrupting many. 16 Make sure that no one is immoral or godless like Esau, who traded his birthright as the firstborn son for a single meal. 17 You know that afterward, when he wanted his father’s blessing, he was rejected. It was too late for repentance, even though he begged with bitter tears.

Introduction

The word teaches that we must guard our hearts and discipline our lives against the spirit of seduction. This Spirit drives people to **willfully** choose bondage and pain while forfeiting freedom and fulfillment. Tonight, we will continue to reclaim our promise by exposing the spirit of seduction!!

Seduction - is the art of **enticing** a person to **believe** and make negative choices that lead to the disqualification of **promises** and blessings that already belong to them!

Read 1 Timothy 4:1 AMPC But the [Holy] Spirit distinctly and expressly declares that in latter times some will turn away from the faith, giving attention to deluding and seducing spirits and doctrines that demons teach,

3 Major Impacts of a Seducing Spirit

Read Daniel 7:25 KJV 25 And he shall speak great words against the most High, and shall wear out the saints of the most High, and think to change times and laws: and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of time.

Impact #1 Seducing spirits come to **wear-out** and **weaken** our spiritual strength.

- The goal is that we will **quit** and **abort** the fulfillment of destiny.
- Satan uses seducing spirits to **exhaust** us with long, weary **battles**, extensive spiritual warfare, and seducing **lies** (we fight spiritual forces, in the natural and with our emotions, this is exhausting!) that threaten our relationship with **God**.

Read Matthew 12:45 AMPC 45 Then it goes and brings with it seven other spirits more wicked than itself, and they go in and make their home there. And the last condition of that man becomes worse than the first. So also shall it be with this wicked generation.

The **allowance** of one seducing spirit often leads to the **introduction** of other seducing spirits.

Until we fill every **void** of our lives with the **passion** that comes from an **active** relationship with God, seducing spirits will quickly move **into** that vacancy!

Impact #2 Seducing Spirits cause us to **miss** the blessing and **receive** the curse.

Read 2 Samuel 11:1-3 NLT In the spring of the year,[a] when kings normally go out to war, David sent Joab and the Israelite army to fight the Ammonites. They destroyed the Ammonite army and laid siege to the city of Rabbah. However, David stayed behind in Jerusalem. 2 Late one afternoon, after his midday rest, David got out of bed and was walking on the roof of the palace. As he looked out over the city, he noticed a woman of unusual beauty taking a bath. 3 He sent someone to find out who she was, and he was told, “She is Bathsheba, the daughter of Eliam and the wife of Uriah the Hittite.”

- Spiritual **idleness** gives rise to seducing spirits from the worldly influences of the flesh.
- Spare **time** (time **not** spent focused on your Godly **purpose**) gives us the **opportunity** to pursue and focus on things that are spiritually **harmful**.

Read 2 Samuel 12:12-14 NLT 12 You did it secretly, but I will make this happen to you openly in the sight of all Israel.”David Confesses His Guilt 13 Then David confessed to Nathan, “I have sinned against the Lord.” Nathan replied, “Yes, but the Lord has forgiven you, and you won’t die for this sin. 14 Nevertheless, because you have shown utter contempt for the word of the Lord[a] by doing this, your child will die.”

- The Lord’s mercy may prevent **judgment** from falling upon us, but there are still severe **consequences** for our actions.
- The ramifications of a merciful God are to draw us closer and more obedient to Christ and His guidance.

Impact #3 When we **discern** and **resist** seducing spirits, what was designed to **weaken** us, God's grace makes us stronger!

Read 2 Corinthians 12:9-10 AMPC 9 But He said to me, My grace (My favor and loving-kindness and mercy) is enough for you [sufficient against any danger and enables you to bear the trouble manfully]; for My strength and power are made perfect (fulfilled and completed) and [a]show themselves most effective in [your] weakness. Therefore, I will all the more gladly glory in my weaknesses and infirmities, that the strength and power of Christ (the Messiah) may rest (yes, may [b]pitch a tent over and dwell) upon me! 10 So for the sake of Christ, I am well pleased and take pleasure in infirmities, insults, hardships, persecutions, perplexities and distresses; for when I am weak [[c]in human strength], then am I [truly] strong (able, powerful [d]in divine strength).

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, as seen on Oprah's Super Soul Podcast, Sarah Jakes-Roberts' Woman Evolve Conference, and much more! Young ladies are welcomed 13 and up. Register online www.thefamilychurchnj.com/events or on our mobile app.

BODY & SOUL BOOT CAMP: Workouts for ages 16+ Saturdays 11-12 PM @ TFC. Bring a mat & bottle of water.

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



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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

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