



I. Series Review

Song of Solomon 2:15 (NKJV) – *Catch us the foxes, the little foxes that spoil the vines, for our vines have tender grapes*

Song of Solomon 2:15 (LSV) – *Seize for us the foxes, Little foxes – DESTROYERS of vineyards, even our sweet-smelling vineyards.*

Song of Solomon 2:15 (GNT) – *Catch the foxes, the little foxes, **before** they ruin our vineyard in bloom*

A. Little foxes – little things have the potential to destroy or hinder your harvest.

B. Spoil – to destroy – to corrupt – to ruin – or to withhold

C. Previous sessions

1. Little Fox of Wrong Thinking
2. Little Fox of Condemnation
3. Little Fox of Negative Emotions
4. Little Fox of Strife
5. Little Fox of Impatience
6. Little Fox of Complaining
7. Little Fox of Slackness

II. The Little Fox of Doubt

A. Various scriptures about doubt.

1. **Mark 11:23 (NKJV)** – *For assuredly, I say to you, whoever says to this mountain, “Be removed and be cast into the sea,” and does not **doubt** in his heart, but believes that those things he says will be done, he will have whatever he says.*

Doubt – to withdraw from – *specifically* – to withdraw in mind – to allow one’s mind to be changed/moved/unsettled.

2. **Deuteronomy 28:66 (NKJV)** – *Your life shall hang in doubt before you; you shall fear day and night, and have no assurance of life*

Doubt was for those who were under the curse.

3. **Peter’s faith cut short by doubt.**

Matthew 14:31 (NKJV) – *And immediately Jesus stretched out His hand and caught him, and said to him, “O you of little faith, why did you doubt?”*

4. **Luke 12:29-30 (KJV)** – ²⁹*And seek not ye what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink, neither be ye of **doubtful mind**.* ³⁰*For all these things do the nations of the world seek after: and your Father knoweth that ye have need of these things.*

doubtful – to fluctuate – a mind that isn’t settled/fixed. A wavering mind.

5. **1 Timothy 2:8 (NKJV)** – *I desire therefore that the men pray everywhere, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting*

Doubting – inward reasoning – inward deliberating and questioning – specifically what is true or what is real. *Hesitation.*

6. **James 1:6-7 (NKJV)** – ⁶*But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for he who doubts is like a wave of the sea driven and tossed by the wind.* ⁷*For let not that man suppose that he will receive anything from the Lord;*

B. How the Little Fox of Doubt slips in.

1. When circumstances are not aligning with faith.

There will always be opportunity to doubt during the time when it doesn't appear that anything is happening.

2. Reasoning and Questioning

- a. Human reasoning is relying on one's intellect and suppositions instead of being led by God's Spirit.
- b. Satan uses questioning and reasoning to create an opportunity for doubt.

Genesis 3:1 (NLT) – *The serpent was the shrewdest of all the wild animals the LORD God had made. One day he asked the woman, "Did God really say you must not eat the fruit from any of the trees in the garden?"*

Genesis 3:1 (AMP) – *Can it really be that God has said, You shall not eat from any tree in the garden?*

Genesis 3:1 (Douay-Rheims Bible) – *Now the serpent was more subtle than any of the beasts of the earth which the Lord God made. And he said to the woman: **Why hath God commanded you**, that you should not eat of every tree of paradise?*

Genesis 3:2-5 (NKJV) – ²*And the woman said to the serpent, "We may eat the fruit of the trees of the garden; ³but 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.** ⁵For 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"*

- *Satan uses questioning and reasoning to cast doubt on what God has said – and even the character of God.*

c. Satan and Jesus

In Matthew 4 – when Satan is confronting Jesus, his attempt is to cause Jesus to waver/doubt – or begin reasoning and questioning.

“If you are the Son of God”

Satan’s goal is to get Jesus distracted from the words the Father spoke at His baptism.

“This is my beloved son in whom I am well pleased.”

NOTE: Satan’s goal will always be to sow doubt in your mind regarding the things God has spoken to you. He is casting doubt on the Word of God spoken over your life.

C. Dealing with the Little Fox of Doubt

1. Spend extra time meditating in the Word regarding your situation.
2. Answer doubt! – When doubt speaks to you, speak God’s word back. This is what Jesus did!
3. Identify Satan’s methods of sowing doubt in your mind and close the door.
4. Find someone you can confide in regarding the struggle of doubt. *Make sure it isn’t someone who will feed your doubt, but instead they will feed your faith.*