

SATAN'S PLANS

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Edmund Burke said "Those who don't know history are destined to repeat it." Burke was a British Statesman and Philosopher who is generally viewed as the philosophical founder of modern political conservatism. Something similar is also true. If we don't understand how Satan deceives (in the bible) then we are doomed to be deceived again. To know this, we must understand God's will from the bible.

Mat 10:16 *"Behold, I send you out as sheep in the midst of wolves. Therefore be wise as serpents and harmless as doves.*

2Ti 3:13 *But evil men and impostors will grow worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived. 14 But you must continue in the things which you have learned and been assured of, knowing from whom you have learned them, 15 and that from childhood you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. 16 All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, 17 that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.*

2Jn 1:6 *This is love, that we walk according to His commandments. This is the commandment, that as you have heard from the beginning, you should walk in it. 7 For many deceivers have gone out into the world who do not confess Jesus Christ as coming in the flesh. This is a deceiver and an antichrist.*

Mat 7:13 *"Enter by the narrow gate; for wide is the gate and broad is the way that leads to destruction, and there are many who go in by it. 14 Because narrow is the gate and difficult is the way which leads to life, and there are few who find it. 15 "Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravenous wolves. 16 You will know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes from thornbushes or figs from thistles? 17 Even so, every good tree bears good fruit, but a bad tree bears bad fruit. 18 A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, nor can a bad tree bear good fruit.*

Now maybe it is clear why we need this study.

Genesis 3

¹Now 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'?" ²And 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.'" ⁴Then 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." ⁶So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree desirable to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate. She also gave to her husband with her, and he ate.

Satan's called God a liar. He did not know what God had said to Adam and Eve he had to ask. Then he basically said; no, God won't do what he said he would do. Is not this the same lie people still believe today? God is too good to do this thing. They call God's punishment evil; therefore, he won't do what he said he would do. Men say God is too good to punish man.

Are we not calling God a liar when we do this?

*Joh 8:44 **You are of your father the devil, and the desires of your father you want to do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own resources, for he is a liar and the father of it.***

God is not doing evil when he does what he said he will do. Every time God warned ahead of time what the consequences were. His justice, requires punishment. If God was not good, he would not have prepared a sacrifice to take away our sins by taking the punishment. In other words, Christ took our punishment in our place. This was the only way God could stay true to his nature of Justice, Mercy and his Love.

Did he not give the first punishment as he said he would do?

Gen 2:16 And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, "Of every tree of the garden you may freely eat; 17 but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die."

Yes, Adam and Eve died two ways first the spiritual death, which was separation from God and the physical death. It is possible Adam and Eve would still be here, if they had not sinned and caused death to enter into the world? If they had not sinned, they would have partaken of the tree of life and lived forever. God's perfect plan was for men not to die. Almost every sin today by Satan is caused by making men doubt God and his word, as he did with Eve. Remember this because you will see it in the world today in every phase of life as Satan deceives the world.

Another point we must understand: Satan succeeded in causing the entire world to turn from God all except eight souls.

Gen 6:5 Then the LORD saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every intent of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.

Satan wants to repeat this. God has already set a punishment for this and provided a way for us to escape this by his son.

Mat 25:41 "Then He will also say to those on the left hand, 'Depart from Me, you cursed, into the everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels:

2Pe 2:4 For if God did not spare the angels who sinned, but cast them down to hell and delivered them into chains of darkness, to be reserved for judgment;

His final punishment will happen but not until the falling away.
But only God knows when.

2Th 1:7 and to give you who are troubled rest with us when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven with His mighty angels, 8 in flaming fire taking vengeance on those who do not know God, and on those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. 9 These shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of His power,

2Th 2:3 Let no one deceive you by any means; for that Day will not come unless the falling away comes first, and the man of sin is revealed, the son of perdition, 4 who opposes and exalts himself above all that is called God or that is worshiped, so that he sits as God in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God.

These people alive before the flood felt confident things were ok and no reason to change. Doesn't this sound like our time?

Mat 24:38 For as in the days before the flood, they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered the ark, 39 and did not know until the flood came and took them all away, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be.

Satan will not give up and will do anything to oppose God.

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

After the first sin, Adam and Eve knew they were naked. Before this, They were naked and not ashamed. In other words, because of the first sin being uncovered became a sin also. They tried to cover themselves but it was not sufficient. God made animal skins to cover them. This was the first time God showed that people should not uncover their nakedness. This should show us; that man's idea for covering was not enough.

Noah when he made a vineyard drank his wine and became drunk. He was in the privacy of his tent but in his tent, he was uncovered. In other words the tent covered him. Ham came into his tent. This was Ham's sin whether this was the only sin we are not told. His brothers covered him without looking by walking backwards.

Satan uses the temptation of uncovering our nakedness to cause us to lust and sin. Uncovering anyone's nakedness is a sin. This shows the sin of pornography, improper dress and all forms of the sins of nakedness.

Marriage is the only exception.

Read [Gen 9:18-29](#)

Anyone can become Satan's tool without realizing it.

So, we must be diligent to understand God's will.

Mat 16:21 From that time Jesus began to show to His disciples that He must go to Jerusalem, and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and be raised the third day. **22** Then Peter took Him aside and began to rebuke Him, saying, "Far be it from You, Lord; this shall not happen to You!" **23** But He turned and said to Peter, **"Get behind Me, Satan! You are an offense to Me, for you are not mindful of the things of God, but the things of men."**

We know Peter wasn't Satan. But he was called such by Jesus, why? Maybe Satan put this thought in his heart. We are not told. But anyone or anything which is against God's will, is doing what Satan wants. We must guard our hearts.

Jas 5:8 You also be patient. Establish your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is at hand.

1Pe 3:15 But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts, and always be ready to give a defense to everyone who asks you a reason for the hope that is in you, with meekness and fear; **16** having a good conscience, that when they defame you as evildoers, those who revile your good conduct in Christ may be ashamed. **17** For it is better, if it is the will of God, to suffer for doing good than for doing evil.

Satan is for anger and jealousies.

Gen 4:5 but He did not respect Cain and his offering. And Cain was very angry, and his countenance fell. **6** So the LORD said to Cain, "Why are you angry? And why has your countenance fallen? **7** If you do well, will you not be accepted? And if you do not do well, sin lies at the door. And its desire is for you, but you should rule over it."

Even the disciples had problems with jealousies.

Luk 9:46 Then a dispute arose among them as to which of them would be greatest.

Mat 23:11 **But he who is greatest among you shall be your servant.**

Rebellion is one of Satan's many tools.

Deu 31:27 for I know your rebellion and your stiff neck. If today, while I am yet alive with you, you have been rebellious against the LORD, then how much more after my death?

1Sa 15:23 For rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft, And stubbornness is as iniquity and idolatry. Because you have rejected the word of the LORD, He also has rejected you from being king."

Neh 9:16 "But they and our fathers acted proudly, Hardened their necks, And did not heed Your commandments. **17** They refused to obey, And they were not mindful of Your wonders That You did among them. But they hardened their necks, And in their rebellion They appointed a leader To return to their bondage. But You are God, Ready

to pardon, Gracious and merciful, Slow to anger, Abundant in kindness, And did not forsake them. **18** "Even when they made a molded calf for themselves, And said, 'This is your god That brought you up out of Egypt,' And worked great provocations, **8** "Do not harden your hearts, as in the rebellion, As in the day of trial in the wilderness, **9** When your fathers tested Me; They tried Me, though they saw My work.

Pro 17:10 Rebuke is more effective for a wise man Than a hundred blows on a fool. **11** An evil man seeks only rebellion; Therefore a cruel messenger will be sent against him.

Jer 28:15 Then the prophet Jeremiah said to Hananiah the prophet, "Hear now, Hananiah, the LORD has not sent you, but you make this people trust in a lie. **16** Therefore thus says the LORD: 'Behold, I will cast you from the face of the earth. This year you shall die, because you have taught rebellion against the LORD.' " **17** So Hananiah the prophet died the same year in the seventh month.

Jud 1:11 Woe to them! For they have gone in the way of Cain, have run greedily in the error of Balaam for profit, and perished in the rebellion of Korah.

Num 16:19 And Korah gathered all the congregation against them at the door of the tabernacle of meeting. Then the glory of the LORD appeared to all the congregation. **20** And the LORD spoke to Moses and Aaron, saying, **21** "Separate yourselves from among this congregation, that I may consume them in a moment."

Num 26:9 The sons of Eliab were Nemuel, Dathan, and Abiram. These are the Dathan and Abiram, representatives of the congregation, who contended against Moses and Aaron in the company of Korah, when they contended against the LORD; **10** and the earth opened its mouth and swallowed them up together with Korah when that company died, when the fire devoured two hundred and fifty men; and they became a sign. **11** Nevertheless the children of Korah did not die. **12** The sons of Simeon according to their families were: of Nemuel, the family of the Nemuelites; of Jamin, the family of the Jaminites; of Jachin, the family of the Jachinites;

Satan plans for people not to accept God's word.
He will do so by deception.
He strives to cause us to have a heart of unbelief.

Mar 4:15 And these are the ones by the wayside where the word is sown. When they hear, Satan comes immediately and takes away the word that was sown in their hearts.

2Th 2:9 The coming of the lawless one is according to the working of Satan, with all power, signs, and lying wonders, **10** and with all unrighteous deception among those who perish, because they did not receive the love of the truth, that they might be saved. **11** And for this reason God will send them strong delusion, that they should believe the lie, **12** that they all may be condemned who did not believe the truth but had pleasure in unrighteousness.

Heb 3:12 Beware, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief in departing from the living God; **13** but exhort one another daily, while it is called "TODAY," lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin.

Jas 1:16 Do not be deceived, my beloved brethren. 17 Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow of turning. 18 Of His own will He brought us forth by the word of truth, that we might be a kind of firstfruits of His creatures. 19 So then, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath; 20 for the wrath of man does not produce the righteousness of God. 21 Therefore lay aside all filthiness and overflow of wickedness, and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls.

Satan will use misfortune and tragedy to cause one to turn from God. Satan did many things to Job but he never turned from God. His wife told him to curse God and die. Still he did not sin. Don't be as a fool who blames God and joins him who caused the pain (Satan).

Read chapter one and two of Job.

Job 1:14 And there came a messenger unto Job, and said, The oxen were plowing, and the asses feeding beside them: 15 And the Sabeans fell upon them, and took them away; yea, they have slain the servants with the edge of the sword; and I only am escaped alone to tell thee. 16 While he was yet speaking, there came also another, and said, The fire of God is fallen from heaven, and hath burned up the sheep, and the servants, and consumed them; and I only am escaped alone to tell thee. 17 While he was yet speaking, there came also another, and said, The Chaldeans made out three bands, and fell upon the camels, and have carried them away, yea, and slain the servants with the edge of the sword; and I only am escaped alone to tell thee. 18 While he was yet speaking, there came also another, and said, Thy sons and thy daughters were eating and drinking wine in their eldest brother's house: 19 And, behold, there came a great wind from the wilderness, and smote the four corners of the house, and it fell upon the young men, and they are dead; and I only am escaped alone to tell thee. 20 Then Job arose, and rent his mantle, and shaved his head, and fell down upon the ground, and worshipped, 21 And said, Naked came I out of my mother's womb, and naked shall I return thither: the LORD gave, and the LORD hath taken away; blessed be the name of the LORD. 22 In all this Job sinned not, nor charged God foolishly.

Job 2:7 So went Satan forth from the presence of the LORD, and smote Job with sore boils from the sole of his foot unto his crown.

Satan will move us to do his will so we must examine even our own thoughts.

1Ch_21:1 Now Satan stood up against Israel, and moved David to number Israel.

Satan can enter people who do not resist him.

Luk 22:3 Then Satan entered Judas, surnamed Iscariot, who was numbered among the twelve

Satan can fill your heart even in one who has once turned from sin.

Act 5:3 *But Peter said, "Ananias, why has Satan filled your heart to lie to the Holy Spirit and keep back part of the price of the land for yourself?"*

If we must turn from fellowshiping a brother because of sin, we must show love for him, so Satan might not gain advantage over us.

2Co 2:6 *This punishment which was inflicted by the majority is sufficient for such a man, 7 so that, on the contrary, you ought rather to forgive and comfort him, lest perhaps such a one be swallowed up with too much sorrow. 8 Therefore I urge you to reaffirm your love to him. 9 For to this end I also wrote, that I might put you to the test, whether you are obedient in all things. 10 Now whom you forgive anything, I also forgive. For if indeed I have forgiven anything, I have forgiven that one for your sakes in the presence of Christ, 11 lest Satan should take advantage of us; for we are not ignorant of his devices.*

Satan will make himself and his servants seem as servants of God. God's word will expose them. So, we must study it. Do we not see this today by people only using part of God's word and using it out of context?

2Co 11:12 *But what I do, I will also continue to do, that I may cut off the opportunity from those who desire an opportunity to be regarded just as we are in the things of which they boast. 13 For such are false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into apostles of Christ. 14 And no wonder! For Satan himself transforms himself into an angel of light. 15 Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also transform themselves into ministers of righteousness, whose end will be according to their works.*

Satan will use human philosophy to try to deceive you.

Col 2:8 *Beware lest anyone cheat you through philosophy and empty deceit, according to the tradition of men, according to the basic principles of the world, and not according to Christ.*

Satan will try to hinder us. So be patient for opportunity to do God's will and do not become weary.

1Th 2:18 *Therefore we wanted to come to you—even I, Paul, time and again—but Satan hindered us.*

Rev 2:2 *"I know your works, your labor, your patience, and that you cannot bear those who are evil. And you have tested those who say they are apostles and are not, and have found them liars; 3 and you have persevered and have patience, and have labored for My name's sake and have not become weary.*

Discouragement is a tool Satan uses.
Don't be discouraged by God's Chastening.

2Th 3:13 *But as for you, brethren, do not grow weary in doing good.*

Heb 12:3 *For consider Him who endured such hostility from sinners against Himself, lest you become weary and discouraged in your souls. 4 You have not yet resisted to bloodshed, striving against sin. 5 And you have forgotten the exhortation which*

speaks to you as to sons: "MY SON, DO NOT DESPISE THE CHASTENING OF THE LORD, NOR BE DISCOURAGED WHEN YOU ARE REBUKED BY HIM;

Satan will use malice, deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and evil speaking in your life to cause you to sin.

1Pe 2:1 Therefore, laying aside all malice, all deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and all evil speaking, **2** as newborn babes, desire the pure milk of the word, that you may grow thereby, **3** if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is gracious. **4** Coming to Him as to a living stone, rejected indeed by men, but chosen by God and precious,

Satan wants us to think too highly of ourselves.

Rom 12:16 Be of the same mind toward one another. Do not set your mind on high things, but associate with the humble. Do not be wise in your own opinion.

Satan will also make us think too lowly of our selves so, we want be eager to teach others.

Exo 4:10 Then Moses said to the LORD, "O my Lord, I am not eloquent, neither before nor since You have spoken to Your servant; but I am slow of speech and slow of tongue." **11** So the LORD said to him, "Who has made man's mouth? Or who makes the mute, the deaf, the seeing, or the blind? Have not I, the LORD?" **12** Now therefore, go, and I will be with your mouth and teach you what you shall say." **13** But he said, "O my Lord, please send by the hand of whomever else You may send."

2Ti 2:15 Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth

Satan will try to make us trust in the things we have.

Luk 12:20 But God said to him, 'Fool! This night your soul will be required of you; then whose will those things be which you have provided?' **21** "So is he who lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God."

Luk 8:14 Now the ones that fell among thorns are those who, when they have heard, go out and are choked with cares, riches, and pleasures of life, and bring no fruit to maturity.

Mar 4:19 and the cares of this world, the deceitfulness of riches, and the desires for other things entering in choke the word, and it becomes unfruitful.

Jas 1:13 Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am tempted by God"; for God cannot be tempted by evil, nor does He Himself tempt anyone. **14** But each one is tempted when he is drawn away by his own desires and enticed. **15** Then, when desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, brings forth death.

Satan wants you to live for pleasure so you will fall.

Jas 4:3 *You ask and do not receive, because you ask amiss, that you may spend it on your pleasures.*

1Ti 5:6 *But she who lives in pleasure is dead while she lives.*

Satan wants you to misuse your time. God wants you to use it wisely.

Eph 5:15 *See then that you walk circumspectly, not as fools but as wise, **16** redeeming the time, because the days are evil.*

Satan will try to get you to do contrary to God's will. You are responsible to know what his will is, by using all scriptures. To abide in him we must diligently seek him in his word.

Heb 11:6 *But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.*

Jas 1:21 *Therefore lay aside all filthiness and overflow of wickedness, and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls.*

Satan wants you to use your own opinion to interpret scriptures. In other words, he wants you to presume your opinion is right without studying all scriptures. Remember if your opinion is in contradiction to any scripture then your opinion is wrong. We must not use our judgments and presume that we know what God wanted. Trust God's word for guidance.

2Ti 3:16 *All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, **17** that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.*

Psa 19:7 *The law of the LORD is perfect, converting the soul; The testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple; **8** The statutes of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart; The commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes; **9** The fear of the LORD is clean, enduring forever; The judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether. **10** More to be desired are they than gold, Yea, than much fine gold; Sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb. **11** Moreover by them Your servant is warned, And in keeping them there is great reward. **12** Who can understand his errors? Cleanse me from secret faults. **13** Keep back Your servant also from presumptuous sins; Let them not have dominion over me. Then I shall be blameless, And I shall be innocent of great transgression. **14** Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart Be acceptable in Your sight, O LORD, my strength and my Redeemer.*

Deu 18:20 *But the prophet who presumes to speak a word in My name, which I have not commanded him to speak, or who speaks in the name of other gods, that prophet shall die.' **21** And if you say in your heart, 'How shall we know the word which the LORD has not spoken?'—**22** when a prophet speaks in the name of the LORD, if the thing does not happen or come to pass, that is the thing which the LORD has not spoken; the prophet has spoken it presumptuously; you shall not be afraid of him.*

Lam 3:35 *To turn aside the justice due a man Before the face of the Most High, 36 Or subvert a man in his cause— The Lord does not approve. 37 Who is he who speaks and it comes to pass, When the Lord has not commanded it? 38 Is it not from the mouth of the Most High That woe and well-being proceed? 39 Why should a living man complain, A man for the punishment of his sins? 40 Let us search out and examine our ways, And turn back to the LORD;*

Lev 10:1 *Then Nadab and Abihu, the sons of Aaron, each took his censer and put fire in it, put incense on it, and offered profane fire before the LORD, which He had not commanded them. 2 So fire went out from the LORD and devoured them, and they died before the LORD.*

1Ch 13:3 *and let us bring the ark of our God back to us, for we have not inquired at it since the days of Saul." 4 Then all the assembly said that they would do so, for the thing was right in the eyes of all the people. 5 So David gathered all Israel together, from Shihor in Egypt to as far as the entrance of Hamath, to bring the ark of God from Kirjath Jearim.*

Satan wants you to change or add to or take away from God's commands. Christ example shows he only spoke as the father commanded and would not speak if no command was given. Respect God's silence and don't presume you know what is right by your own opinion.

Joh 12:48 *He who rejects Me, and does not receive My words, has that which judges him— the word that I have spoken will judge him in the last day. 49 For I have not spoken on My own authority; but the Father who sent Me gave Me a command, what I should say and what I should speak.*

1Co 4:6 *Now these things, brethren, I have figuratively transferred to myself and Apollos for your sakes, that you may learn in us not to think beyond what is written, that none of you may be puffed up on behalf of one against the other.*

Remember Nadab and Abihu.

God destroyed them because they changed what God had commanded them to do. In other words, they added to or took away from God's command. It seems like a little thing to us. They made such a little mistake. Well to God changing what God commanded is not a little thing. We must be wise in this and not transgress. Another example is when Uzza was killed by touching the Ark of God. He had good intentions he only wanted to keep the Ark from falling. God killed him because he had presumed saving the Ark was more important than God's command not to touch the Ark. The Levites were to only carry the Ark using poles in the rings on the side of the Ark. They presumed carrying the Ark on an oxcart was ok. Another example is Saul not utterly destroying the Amalekites' as God commanded him. He presumed destroying all but the sheep and oxen and the king would be ok since he would use them for sacrifice to God.

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died before the LORD. 3 And Moses said to Aaron, "This is what the LORD spoke, saying: 'By those who come near Me I must be regarded as holy; And before all the people I must be glorified.' " So Aaron held his peace.

1Ch 13:3 and let us bring the ark of our God back to us, for we have not inquired at it since the days of Saul." 4 Then all the assembly said that they would do so, for the thing was right in the eyes of all the people. 5 So David gathered all Israel together, from Shihor in Egypt to as far as the entrance of Hamath, to bring the ark of God from Kirjath Jearim. 10 Then the anger of the LORD was aroused against Uzza, and He struck him because he put his hand to the ark; and he died there before God. 11 And David became angry because of the LORD's outbreak against Uzza; therefore that place is called Perez Uzza to this day. 12 David was afraid of God that day, saying, "How can I bring the ark of God to me?"

1Sa 15:2 Thus says the LORD of hosts: 'I will punish Amalek for what he did to Israel, how he ambushed him on the way when he came up from Egypt. 3 Now go and attack Amalek, and utterly destroy all that they have, and do not spare them. But kill both man and woman, infant and nursing child, ox and sheep, camel and donkey.' " --- 7 And Saul attacked the Amalekites, from Havilah all the way to Shur, which is east of Egypt. 8 He also took Agag king of the Amalekites alive, and utterly destroyed all the people with the edge of the sword. 9 But Saul and the people spared Agag and the best of the sheep, the oxen, the fatlings, the lambs, and all that was good, and were unwilling to utterly destroy them. But everything despised and worthless, that they utterly destroyed. 10 Now the word of the LORD came to Samuel, saying, 11 "I greatly regret that I have set up Saul as king, for he has turned back from following Me, and has not performed My commandments." And it grieved Samuel, and he cried out to the LORD all night. 13 Then Samuel went to Saul, and Saul said to him, "Blessed are you of the LORD! I have performed the commandment of the LORD." 14 But Samuel said, "What then is this bleating of the sheep in my ears, and the lowing of the oxen which I hear?" 15 And Saul said, "They have brought them from the Amalekites; for the people spared the best of the sheep and the oxen, to sacrifice to the LORD your God; and the rest we have utterly destroyed." --- 18 Now the LORD sent you on a mission, and said, 'Go, and utterly destroy the sinners, the Amalekites, and fight against them until they are consumed.' 19 Why then did you not obey the voice of the LORD? Why did you swoop down on the spoil, and do evil in the sight of the LORD?" 20 And Saul said to Samuel, "But I have obeyed the voice of the LORD, and gone on the mission on which the LORD sent me, and brought back Agag king of Amalek; I have utterly destroyed the Amalekites. 21 But the people took of the plunder, sheep and oxen, the best of the things which should have been utterly destroyed, to sacrifice to the LORD your God in Gilgal." 22 So Samuel said: "Has the LORD as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, As in obeying the voice of the LORD? Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, And to heed than the fat of rams.

Deu 12:32 "Whatever I command you, be careful to observe it; you shall not add to it nor take away from it.

Pro 30:5 Every word of God is pure; He is a shield to those who put their trust in Him. 6 Do not add to His words, Lest He rebuke you, and you be found a liar.

Rev 22:18 For I testify to everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: If anyone adds to these things, God will add to him the plagues that are written in this book; 19 and if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part from the Book of Life, from the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book.

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Satan will deceive you into thinking zeal for God is all that is necessary.

Rom 10:1 Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is, that they might be saved. 2 For I bear them record that they have a zeal of God, but not according to knowledge. 3 For they being ignorant of God's righteousness, and going about to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God.

Satan wants us to forget about prayer.

1Jn 5:14 Now this is the confidence that we have in Him, that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. 15 And if we know that He hears us, whatever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we have asked of Him.

Satan will make you think knowing God's word is enough. He wants you not to be a doer of the word.

Jas 1:22 But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. 23 For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man observing his natural face in a mirror; 24 for he observes himself, goes away, and immediately forgets what kind of man he was. 25 But he who looks into the perfect law of liberty and continues in it, and is not a forgetful hearer but a doer of the work, this one will be blessed in what he does.

Jas 4:17 Therefore, to him who knows to do good and does not do it, to him it is sin.

1Jn 2:4 He who says, "I know Him," and does not keep His commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him. 5 But whoever keeps His word, truly the love of God is perfected in him. By this we know that we are in Him. 6 He who says he abides in Him ought himself also to walk just as He walked.

1Jn 1:7 But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin. 8 If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. 9 If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Satan wants you to be lukewarm and do nothing. Satan wins when good men do nothing.

Rev 3:14 "And to the angel of the church of the Laodiceans write, 'These things says the Amen, the Faithful and True Witness, the Beginning of the creation of God: 15 "I

know your works, that you are neither cold nor hot. I could wish you were cold or hot. 16 So then, because you are lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will vomit you out of My mouth. 17 Because you say, 'I am rich, have become wealthy, and have need of nothing'—and do not know that you are wretched, miserable, poor, blind, and naked—18 I counsel you to buy from Me gold refined in the fire, that you may be rich; and white garments, that you may be clothed, that the shame of your nakedness may not be revealed; and anoint your eyes with eye salve, that you may see. 19 As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten. Therefore be zealous and repent.

Conclusion:

Resist Satan and he will flee from you.

Jas 4:6 But He gives more grace. Therefore He says: "GOD RESISTS THE PROUD, BUT GIVES GRACE TO THE HUMBLE." 7 Therefore submit to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you.

1Pe 5:5 Likewise you younger people, submit yourselves to your elders. Yes, all of you be submissive to one another, and be clothed with humility, for "GOD RESISTS THE PROUD, BUT GIVES GRACE TO THE HUMBLE." 6 Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time, 7 casting all your care upon Him, for He cares for you. 8 Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour. 9 Resist him, steadfast in the faith, knowing that the same sufferings are experienced by your brotherhood in the world. 10 But may the God of all grace, who called us to His eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after you have suffered a while, perfect, establish, strengthen, and settle you.

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