

## RESIST THE DEVIL

### God Do Something About The Devil

#### I. **God never told you to pray and ask Him to do something about the devil-*Js4:7,Ep6:10,1Pt5:9,Ep4:27***

##### A. Too many are praying for God to do something about the devil in their lives – This is an unscriptural prayer

1. Resisting the devil is a concept most believers have little knowledge of-For most their first move under pressure is to pray and ask God to do something, not to resist the devil
2. So many who are under attack never address the enemy-Many are praying to God few are resisting the devil
3. Praying to God does not make the devil flee from you-You don't pray him away, you resist him away; Too many try to pray the pressure off and pray the devil away, but until you resist it won't flee from you
4. Praying to God is not the same as resisting the devil-If someone's pushing me and I ask you to do something that's not resisting the one who is pushing me
5. Paul got corrected about trying to pray the devil away-The enemy attacked him and he addressed the Lord; God did not answer his prayer, He corrected his thinking-**2Cor12:7**-*There was given to me a thorn in the flesh, the messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I should be exalted above measure. 8 For this thing I besought the Lord thrice, that it might depart from me. 9 He said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee:*
6. When Jesus was being attacked by the devil, He didn't pray to God, He resisted the devil-He did not respond by addressing God in prayer, but by addressing the enemy with The Word-**Mt4:1-11**
7. Many like to pray to God instead of resist the devil because it means they do nothing and God does everything

##### B. We have been given the authority by God to resist the devil and run him off and out of our lives-*Js4:7*-Submit to God, resist the devil and He will flee from you

1. Many pray to God because they have no concept of their God given authority to resist the devil and see him flee
2. Crying out to God when you're under attack is acting like you have no authority over the devil
3. You have authority over the devil, evil thoughts, wrong feelings