

RESIST THE DEVIL

Resist The Devil Like Jesus

- I. **As a believer three of the most important things you could ever learn are 1) Your need to resist the devil 2) What to resist 3) How to resist the devil-**
Js4:7-Submit to God resist the devil and He will flee from you; 1Pt5:8-Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour: ⁹ Whom resist steadfast in the faith-Ep6:11-Put on the whole armor of God that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil
- A. Do you need to resist the devil?-What if you don't? He will devour you
- B. Resist the devil and his wiles-Anything that robs you of good, that opposes your prosperity, that torments, oppresses, robs you of peace, harms you, pulls you down is the devil and we need to resist it
- II. **These verses are James 4:7 in action, this is a master class in resisting the devil, the best ever doing what he's best at-Mt4:3-And when the tempter (press) came to him, he said, If thou be the Son of God, command that these stones be made bread. 4 But he answered and said, It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds out of the mouth of God. 5 Then the devil taketh him up into the holy city, and setteth him on a pinnacle of the temple, 6 And saith unto him, If thou be the Son of God, cast thyself down: for it is written, He shall give his angels charge concerning thee: and in their hands they shall bear thee up, lest at any time thou dash thy foot against a stone. 7 Jesus said unto him, It is written again, Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God. 8 Again, the devil taketh him up into an exceeding high mountain, and sheweth him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them; 9 And saith unto him, All these things will I give thee, if thou wilt fall down and worship me. 10 Then saith Jesus unto him, Get thee hence (away with you), Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve.11 Then the devil (go away, depart) leaveth him**
- A. Jesus is under attack-Satan wants access to devour so he's pulling on him to yield
1. This was not a comfortable situation-He's being pressed on, pulled on
- B. He was quick to resist-No processing, just recognizing and resisting
- C. He didn't get emotional-No feelings, just resisting; Feelings complicate
1. When under attack it's easy to get so emotional that you don't resist-You'll feel things, but you can't allow the things you feel to keep you from doing what you need to do to resist the devil-You got a job to do
2. The more you focus on, talk about, magnify your feelings the worse shape you will get in
- D. He did the same thing, the same way every time the enemy attacked him-When Satan didn't flee right away, he didn't get upset, throw his hands up in the air and say I resisted the devil and he didn't flee - He just kept resisting
1. He did the same thing, the same way every time because this works-Stop looking for something else and do this
2. Resisting the devil is my part, he will flee is God's part
3. He didn't talk to people about what the devil was doing, He didn't petition the Father, He didn't cry and pout and feel sorry for himself