

HOW TO EXPERIENCE VICTORY OVER YOUR ADVERSARY

On The Watch Ready To Resist

- I. **On the watch-1Pt5:8-Be sober, be vigilant (watch); because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about seeking whom he may devour: ⁹Whom resist steadfast in the faith**
- A. You have to be able recognize the devil before you can resist him-EX-Tell ushers, don't let Bob in they need to know what he looks like
1. If you don't recognize him, you won't resist him-"That's the devil"
 2. Jesus took the time to make it clear who the thief was-Jn10:10-The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy
- B. Many are confused about who the devil is-See him call it God-2Co11:14-Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light-2Co12:7-There was given to me a thorn in the flesh the messenger of Satan to buffet me-Mt12:24-This fellow doth not cast out devils but by Beelzebub the prince of devils
- C. Anything that robs you of good, opposes your prosperity, torments, oppresses, robs you of peace, harms you, pulls you down is the devil-1Pt5:8-NLV-The devil is working against you-Ac10:38-Oppressed of the devil-1Co14:33-God is not the author of confusion (commotion, disorder, disturbance, agitation) but of peace
- II. **We live in resistance mode, that is on the watch and ready to resist-When we recognize the devil we go into hardline resistance mode, pushing back against him on the authority of The Word, in the authority of the name**
- A. Satan's day-to-day activity is looking for place to devour-Our response is living in resistance mode-1Pt5:8-CSB-Looking for anyone he can devour-Jb1:7-8
- B. There are some he may not devour, for whom he has no place, he cannot touch-1Pt5:8-Ep4:27-Neither give place to the devil-1Jn5:18-Whosoever is born of God keeps himself and that wicked one touches him not
- C. Living in resistance is how we become a may not, it's how you shut him out, it's how give no place it's how you keep yourself
- III. **Cultivate a quickness to resist at the first sign of the enemy's working**
- A. Many are entirely too slow to resist and it leads to big problems-Slow to resist and you let a little in and what you let in, in little amounts you end up with a lot of-1Co5:6-A little leaven, leaveneth the whole lump? 7 Purge out therefore the old leaven
1. Anyone in a lot of trouble started by letting a little in-It's amazing how many of the devil's schemes and plans for your life can be thwarted by you just being quick to resist him and shut him down
- B. To be quick to resist you must do two things-1.You have to be on the watch 2.You have to be quick to recognize the devil