

## Beware of Satan

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### Introduction

1. Text 2 Corinthians 2:11; 11:14-15; Ephesians 6:10-11; 1 Peter 5:8
2. We have ample warnings about the devil in our Bibles
3. Man's fiercest foe is not cancer; communism, disease or death but is the devil.
4. Satan is real! He is not:
  - a. A medieval spook or goblin
  - b. Nebulous influence
  - c. Not an it, thing or the bogey man
  - d. A figment of man's imagination
  - e. An invention of preachers.
5. We must know who he is and not be ignorant of his devices.

### II Discussion

1. Satan's Source
  - a. Rebellion against God Revelation 12:9
  - b. Sin was the cause of his fall 2 Peter 2:4
  - c. Pride was the sin 1 Timothy 3:6
2. Adversary's Attributes 1 Peter 5:8
  - a. Subtle Genesis 3:1; 2 Corinthians 11:3
  - b. Scheming 2 Corinthians 2:11
  - c. Deceiving men 2 Corinthians 11:13-15; Matthew 7:15
  - d. Uses a medium he does not work directly today. John 13:2 James 1:13-14
3. Devil Destiny
  - a. Everlasting fire Matthew 25:41
  - b. Lake of fire and brimstone Revelation 20:10
  - c. Darkness Matthew 25:30; Jude 6, 13; Ephesians 6:12
  - d. Everlasting destruction and the presence of God. 2 Thessalonians 1:9
4. Beelzebub's business
  - a. Farming
    - i. Receiving good seed, Matthew 13:19
    - ii. Sowing tares Matthew 13:39
  - b. Lying John 8:44
  - c. Tempting
    - i. Annias and Sapphira Acts 5:3
    - ii. Jesus Matthew 4:1-11
    - iii. Job in Job 1:10-11; 2:3-6
  - d. Buffeting 2 Corinthians 12:7
  - e. Hindering 1 Thessalonians 2:18
  - f. Slander Revelation 12:10
  - g. Corruption Luke 22:31
  - h. Destroy the truth 1 Timothy 4:1
  - i. Destroy the church 2 Timothy 3:12; Acts 20:29
5. God's of the god of this world. 2 Corinthians 4:4
  - a. No man can serve two masters. Matthew 6:24

b. Which one will you serve? Romans 6:16

Conclusion

1. Protection from the devil is found in our text, by putting on the whole armor of God by which we will be able to withstand against the attacks of the devil.
2. Protection is fleeing from the devil not seeing how close we can get to him. James 4:7 Proverbs 6:27
3. We must then submit to God and keep His commandments for God is stronger than the devil, and will keep His promises, and His promises are far superior to the devils
4. Submit to God now!

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