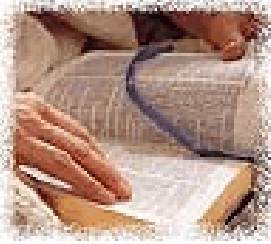


## Some Bible verses that help resist Satan ...



### When Satan encourages you to be fearful...

**Psalm 27:1** The LORD is my light and my salvation; I will fear no one. The LORD protects me from all danger; I will never be afraid.

### When Satan encourages you to feel depressed...

**Psalm 42:5** Why am I so sad? Why am I so troubled? I will put my hope in God, and once again I will praise him, my Savior and my God.

### When Satan encourages you to do something sinful...

**Psalm 119:11** I treasure your word (the Bible) above all else; it keeps me from sinning against you.

**Proverbs 3:5-6** Trust in the LORD with all your heart. Never rely on what you think you know. Remember the LORD in everything you do, and he will show you the right way.

### When Satan encourages you to feel doubts...

**Philippians 4:13** I can do all things through Christ, who strengthens me.

following what Satan tell them to do. In the Bible a man named Balaam was hired to curse God's people. He tried many times to curse them, but he could not. He told the King that hired him,

"No magic charms can work against them-- just look what God has done for his people.

Numbers 23:23"

Balaam stopped trying to curse God's people. It did not work. But, Satan does not give up easily. He then tempted God's people to commit sexual sin and worship idols. This plan worked and a plague came upon them.

There is no one as powerful as God. Satan is not match for God's strength. Satan was defeated by God and removed from heaven in the past. In the future, Satan will be cast into hell to be punished forever. You need not fear Satan, because God is on your side.

**Romans 8:38-39** **I am sure that nothing can separate us from God's love--not life or death, not angels or spirits, not the present or the future, and not powers above or powers below. Nothing in all creation can separate us from God's love for us in Christ Jesus our Lord!**

# Spiritual Victory



Resisting Satan's attacks and  
resting in God's love

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Satan is very real. We can't see him, but we know much about him from what the Bibles says.

We know he was originally a good angel named Lucifer), who lived in heaven. But, he became evil when he decided he wanted to be like God. He was jealous of all the praise God was receiving. He also wanted to be worshipped. He thought to himself

“ I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will make myself like the Most High.” Isaiah 14:14

The name Lucifer means “brightness” His name changed to Satan after he sinned. Satan means “enemy”. He is the enemy of all that is good and right. God removed Satan from heaven, along with some other angels that sided with him. These bad angels are called demons.

Satan wants to ruin anything God makes or likes. When God created the first man and woman, Satan went after them to cause them harm. He lied to them and convinced them to disobey God. This is Satan's desire for every Christian, to disobey God and instead follow what Satan says. He is very good at tricking people. He will try just about anything to fool people into following him. He plants wrong ideas in our minds that will begin to grow into sinful actions unless we resist them. The Bible says,

“Be on your guard and stay awake. Your enemy, the devil, is like a roaring lion, sneaking around to find someone to attack. But you must resist the devil and stay strong in your faith. You know that all over the world the Lord's followers are suffering just as you are”. 1 Peter 5:8-9



Trusting the truth that God gives us in His Word (the Bible) and praying are two things that will help us resist Satan. He is very smart and strong, but he can not resist God's Word and God's power. In the Bible (Matthew chapter 4), Jesus was tempted by Satan. For each temptation Satan tried, Jesus answered back with Bible verses. Satan could not stand the truth and had to run.

Satan is our enemy. He never has anything good to offer us. He hates God and anything God has created.

“ The thief ( Satan) comes only in order to steal, kill, and destroy. I have come in order that you might have life---life in all its fullness. "I am the good shepherd, who is willing to die for the sheep" John 10:10-11

Witchcraft is the work of Satan, not the work of Jesus. Satan does not love you. Jesus loves you. Satan does not want to help you. He only wants to see you suffer loss and turn your back on Jesus.

One way that Satan uses to get people to follow him is to appear to be good.

“Even Satan tries to make himself look like an angel of light”  
2 Corinthians 11:14

When Satan tempted Adam and Eve, he appeared to be trying to help them. He told them that the fruit God had told them not to eat was good. He made the fruit seem like a blessing. But, he did not tell them the consequences that would follow. After Adam and Eve listened to Satan and ate the fruit, then a curse came on them. They brought trouble into their own lives through their disobedience. Satan and people working with him can not curse God's people. But God's people can bring trouble into their lives by