

Satan's Deflating Tactics

Satan doesn't just try to stop us from doing God's will, through **Deceit**; He attempts to _____ us with **Discouragement** and **Disunity**.

Two Questions of Jesus to Consider:

*If Satan drives out Satan, he is divided against himself. **How then can his kingdom stand?** ~ "Or again, how can anyone enter a strong man's house and carry off his possessions unless he first ties up the strong man? Then he can plunder his house.*

Matthew 12: 26 & 29

S _____ us at the seams

No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money. *Matthew 6:24*

You adulterous people, don't you know that friendship with the world means enmity against God? Therefore, anyone who chooses to be a friend of the world becomes an enemy of God. *James 4:4*

The integrity of the upright guides them, but the unfaithful are destroyed by their duplicity. *Proverbs 11:3*

S _____ us with pressures

... This is what you are saying: "Our offenses and sins weigh us down, and we are wasting away because of them. How then can we live?" *Ezekiel 33:10*

... For the accuser of our brothers and sisters, who accuses them before our God day and night, has been hurled down. *Rev. 12:10*

In that day their burden will be lifted from your shoulders, their yoke from your neck; the yoke will be broken ... *Isaiah 10:27*

S _____ what is or should be within us.

The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full. *John 10:10*

Those who work their land will have abundant food, but those who chase fantasies will have their fill of poverty. *Prov. 28:19*

Those along the path are the ones who hear, and then the devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts, so that they may not believe and be saved. *Luke 8:12*

Blessed is the one who does not walk in step with the wicked or stand in the way that sinners take or sit in the company of mockers,

but whose delight is in the law of the LORD, and who meditates on his law day and night.

That person is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither- whatever they do prospers.

Not so the wicked! They are like chaff that the wind blows away.

Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the assembly of the righteous.

For the LORD watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked leads to destruction.

Psalm 1:1-6

Optional Readings: Find the "**One Anothers**" (14 chapters)

John 13 Romans 12 & 15 Galatians 5 Ephesians 4 & 5

Colossians 3 1 Thessalonians 4 & 5,

Hebrews 3, 10 & 13 1 Peter 3 & 4