

Overcoming Satan

We're in a battle for our souls...

Are we ready?

"Our struggle is not against flesh and blood", Eph. 6:10-12

It's real! He's active and vigilant – **"Your adversary, the devil, prowls about like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour"**, 1 Peter 5:8

Who is he?

The Devil – Revelation 12:9

"Diablos" – means slanderer or false accuser.

Who does he accuse?

Man before God –

Job 1:9-12, **"put forth Thy hand now and touch all that he has; he will surely curse Thee to Thy face".**

"the accuser of our brethren" Rev. 12:10

The Devil – Revelation 12:9

Who does he accuse?

God before man.

"God knows that in the day you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil" Genesis 3:5

Our Adversary – 1 Peter 5:8

An opponent or enemy in a legal proceeding.

He **"prowls about"** as a lion.

Seeking to **"devour"**.

Don't be ignorant, he schemes and plans.
2 Corinthians 2:11

The father of lies – John 8:44

"There is no truth in him"

It is his **"nature"** to lie and deceive.

His servants are no different.
2 Corinthians 11:13-15

The Destroyer – Rev. 9:11

Accomplished through what is called
“destructive heresies” – 2 Peter 2:1-3

“loss of well being, not of being”

The god of this world – 2 Cor. 4:4

Satan uses what’s at his disposal.

The reasons for Colossians 3:1-2 and
 1 John 2:15-17

Who is he?

He not a fictitious cartoon character!

He’s a scheming, lying, destroying
 spiritual being that we’ve got to reckon
 with everyday.



How do we overcome Satan?

How can we stand victorious?



Resist The Enemy

It’s a...

War – (Rev. 13:4; 2 Cor. 10:3-4)

Fight – (1 Tim. 6:12)

Struggle – (wrestle, KJV)- (Eph. 6:12)

Command is to **“resist the devil”**
 (Eph. 6:13; James 4:7; 1 Peter 5:9)

Are we equipped? Eph. 6:11-18

“He will flee from you”

Plan to be victorious

**“overwhelmingly conquer through
 Him who loved us”**

(Rom. 8:37; cf., 1 Cor. 15:57; 1 John 5:4)

Do we believe?

1 John 5:4, **“this is the victory that has
 overcome the world — our faith.”**

Stay Out Of Harm's Way!

"Do not give the devil an opportunity",
Eph. 4:27

Why give him the advantage?

"Make no provision for the flesh",
Rom. 13:13-14

Are We Thinking Clearly?

"Be sober, be on the alert" (1 Peter 5:8)

The battlefield (2 Cor. 10:3-5)

How often do we think about what and how he is attacking us.

What is our mind-set? (Rom. 8:6-8)

It's time to wake up! (1 Thess. 5:4-8)

God's Word Works

"I commend you to..." – Acts 20:32

God said it will succeed! Isaiah 55:10-11

Are we **"able to call these things to mind"**
when we need it? 2 Peter 1:15

Only if we spend the time & make the effort!
2 Tim. 2:15

Did You Think To Pray?

"Pray at all times" – Eph. 6:18

"on every occasion" (Vincent)

Strength From Our Brethren

Strength in the "right" numbers –
Eccles. 4:9-12

Put Your Hand To The Plow

... And don't look back! (Luke 9:62)

Abounding in work = Steadfast (1 Cor. 15:58)

"There is much to do, there's work on every hand"

Make it your ambition to make yourself
"useful to the Master" (2 Tim. 2:21).

The opposite of "flee" is "pursue"!
(1 Tim. 6:11; 2 Tim. 2:22)

Plan Your Escape Route

Know where the way of escape is!
(1 Cor. 10:13)

Do we know what it means to **"flee"**? (1 Tim. 6:11; 2 Tim. 2:22; 1 Cor. 6:18)

“And they overcame him because...”

The Blood Of The Lamb

We have no hope without - Heb. 9:13-14, 22;
10:10-14

Satan knows that. We see his efforts.

Satan seeks to keep those who have obeyed the gospel from continuing to access the blood of Christ. 1 John 1:7

What can Satan do to overcome the blood of the lamb?

“And they overcame him because...”

The Word Of Their Testimony

The power is in the gospel in the hands of those who have the courage and conviction to speak it “in season and out of season” – Rom. 1:16; 2 Tim. 4:2

Only the “**whole counsel**” will due.
Acts 20:27; Jer. 26:2.

What can Satan do with men like those we read of in Acts 4:17-21; 5:25-29?

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They Did Not Love Their Life Even To Death

How can Satan succeed when we view this life as simply our preparation for our life to come? 2 Cor. 4:17; Rom. 8:18

What is Satan’s hope when our motto is, “to live is Christ, to die is gain” Phil. 1:21-24

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They Did Not Love Their Life Even To Death

What chance does he have to win when we’ve learned to truly “**deny self**”? Luke 9:23

Victory is ours if we are faithful even to the point of giving our lives for the cause of Christ. Rev. 2:10