

**WE HAVE AN ENEMY**

# Our Battle

*2 Corinthians 10:3-5 For though we walk in the flesh, we are not waging war according to the flesh. For the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh but have divine power to destroy strongholds. We destroy arguments and every lofty opinion raised against the knowledge of God, and take every thought captive to obey Christ,*

# Genesis 3:1-7

# Identity of the serpent

*Revelation 20:2 And he seized the dragon, that ancient serpent, who is the devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years,.*

# Who do lions attack?

*1 Peter 5:8 Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour.*

# Let us not be outwitted

*2 Corinthians 2:11 so that we would not be outwitted by Satan; for we are not ignorant of his designs.*

# Five things to consider

# 1.) Questioning God's Word

*Genesis 3:1 Now the serpent was more crafty than any other beast of the field that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God actually say, 'You shall not eat of any tree in the garden'?"*



# Jesus on marriage

*Mat 19:4 He answered, "Have you not read that he who created them from the beginning made them male and female, and said, 'Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh'?"*

## 2.) The outright lie

*Genesis 3:4-5 But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not surely die. For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil."*

## 3.) The appeal of sin

*Genesis 3:6 So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate, and she also gave some to her husband who was with her, and he ate.*

# 4.) The consequences of sin

*Genesis 3:7-8 Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked. And they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loincloths. And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden.*

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Romans 3:23 for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,

# We are all sinners

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# God extends forgiveness

*John 3:16 "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life."*

# 5.) The blessing of obedience

*Psalm 23:3 He restores my soul. He leads me  
in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.*



# God blesses obedience

*2 Samuel 22:25 And the LORD has rewarded me according to my righteousness, according to my cleanness in his sight.*

## To Sumarize..

- Trust God's Word
- Don't believe the lie
- Realize sin is appealing
- Understand sin has consequences
- Walk in the blessing of obedience