

1 Peter:

A Final Warning

Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. ⁹ Resist him, standing firm in the faith, because you know that the family of believers throughout the world is undergoing the same kind of sufferings.

1 Peter 5:8-9 (NIV)

*How you have fallen from heaven,
morning star, son of the dawn!
You have been cast down to the earth,
you who once laid low the nations!
¹³ You said in your heart,
"I will ascend to the heavens;
I will raise my throne
above the stars of God;
I will sit enthroned on the mount of assembly,
on the utmost heights of Mount Zaphon
¹⁴ I will ascend above the tops of the clouds;
I will make myself like the Most High."
Isaiah 14:12-14 (NIV)*

How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! how art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations!

Isaiah 14:12 (KJV)

What can Satan do to us?

- He can _____ you.

We know that we are children of God, and that the whole world is under the control of the evil one.

1 John 5:19 (NIV)

Opponents must be gently instructed, in the hope that God will grant them repentance leading them to a knowledge of the truth,²⁶ and that they will come to their senses and escape from the trap of the devil, who has taken them captive to do his will.

2 Timothy 2:25-26 (NIV)

- He can cause _____ and _____ issues.

While they were going out, a man who was demon-possessed and could not talk was brought to Jesus.³³ And when the demon was driven out, the man who had been mute spoke. The crowd was amazed and said, "Nothing like this has ever been seen in Israel."

Matthew 9:32-33 (NIV)

When Jesus got out of the boat, a man with an impure spirit came from the tombs to meet him. ³ This man lived in the tombs, and no one could bind him anymore, not even with a

chain. ⁴ For he had often been chained hand and foot, but he tore the chains apart and broke the irons on his feet. No one was strong enough to subdue him. ⁵ Night and day among the tombs and in the hills he would cry out and cut himself with stones.

Mark 5:2-5 (NIV)

- He looks for things to _____.

For the eyes of the Lord range throughout the earth to strengthen those whose hearts are fully committed to him.

2 Chronicles 16:9 (NIV)

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1 Peter 5:8 (NIV)

- He is _____.

For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms.

Ephesians 6:12 (NIV)

Then he continued, "Do not be afraid, Daniel. Since the first day that you set your mind to gain understanding and to humble yourself before your God, your words were heard, and I have come in response to them. ¹³ But the prince of the Persian kingdom resisted me twenty-one days. Then Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me, because I was detained there with the king of Persia

Daniel 10:12-13 (NIV)

- He _____ himself.

And no wonder, for Satan himself masquerades as an angel of light.

2 Corinthians 11:14 (NIV)

- He can give us evil _____.

Then Peter said, "Ananias, how is it that Satan has so filled your heart that you have lied to the Holy Spirit and have kept for yourself some of the money you received for the land?"

Acts 5:3 (NIV)

- He is the author of all false _____.

The Spirit clearly says that in later times some will abandon the faith and follow deceiving spirits and things taught by demons.

1 Timothy 4:1 (NIV)

What CAN'T Satan do?

- He can't _____ to _____.

- He can't _____ you from the _____ of God.

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword?...

³⁷ No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸ For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, ³⁹ neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 8:36-38 (NIV)

- He can't take you out of Jesus' _____.

My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. ²⁸ I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one will snatch them out of my hand. ²⁹ My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all; no one can snatch them out of my Father's hand. ³⁰ I and the Father are one."

John 10:27-30 (NIV)

- He doesn't have complete free _____.

Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.

James 4:7 (NIV)

- He can't _____.

So, what can we do about it?

1. Pay _____.

"In your anger do not sin": Do not let the sun go down while you are still angry,²⁷ and do not give the devil a foothold.

Ephesians 4:27 (NIV)

2. Stand _____.

3. _____ him.