

*The God of peace will soon
crush Satan under your feet.*

Romans 16:20

**God Will
Win the
Victory!**

Chapter 3 Unshakable Hope

Thus says the Lord God:

'You were the seal of perfection,
Full of wisdom and perfect in beauty

You were in Eden, the garden of God;

Every precious stone
was your covering:

The sardius, topaz, and
diamond, beryl, onyx, and
jasper, sapphire, turquoise,
and emerald with gold.

The workmanship of your
timbrels and pipes was
prepared for you
on the day you were created.

'You were the anointed cherub who covers;

I established you;

You were on the holy mountain of God;

You walked back and forth in the midst of fiery stones.

You were perfect in your ways
from the day you were created.

Till iniquity was found in you.'

Ezekiel 28: 12-15 nkjv

How much are we like Lucifer in that what God does for us, is "not enough?"

For you have said in your heart:

'I will ascend into heaven,

I will exalt my throne above the stars of God;

I will also sit on the mount of the congregation

On the farthest sides of the north;

I will ascend above the heights of the clouds,

I will be like the Most High.'

Isaiah 14: 12-14 nkjv



While the evil one
is a splitter and a
divider, and would
like you to be
separated from
God, REMEMBER
that the devil's
days are
numbered.

How do these passages impact
your view of Satan?



The devil viciously seeks to separate us from God.
Do you know the spiritual battle that you are in?

Ephesians 6:12

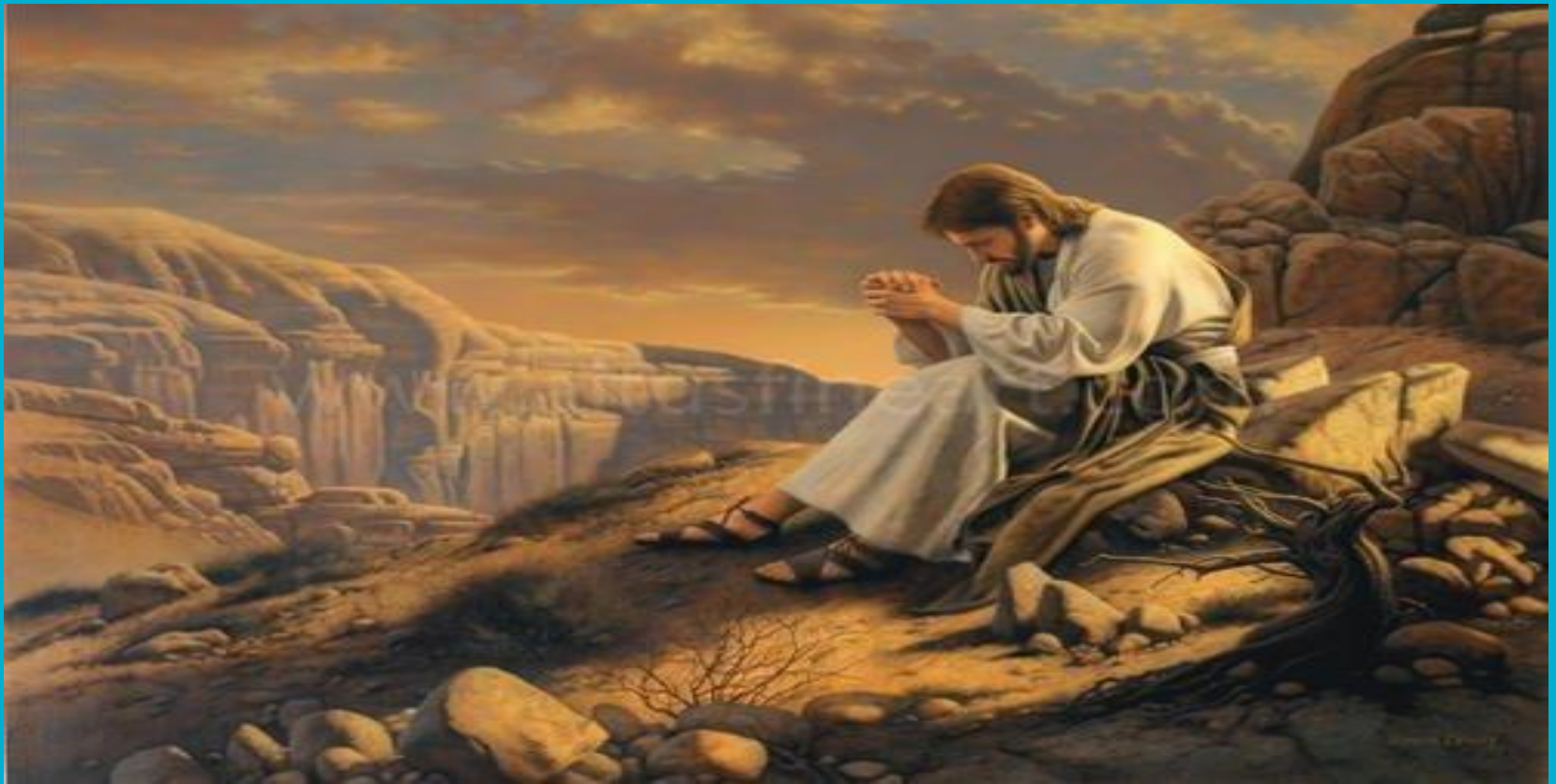
**12 For our struggle is not against flesh and blood,
but against the rulers, against the authorities,
against the powers of this dark world and against
the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms.**

**How can we live with an
awareness of the battle,**

But no fear of the enemy?

And the God of peace will
crush Satan under your
feet shortly. The grace of
our Lord Jesus Christ be
with you. Amen.
Romans 16:20

How does knowing
the end of the
story affect your
view of today's
battles?



Matthew 4: 1-11 the Temptation of Jesus

How does this passage describe Satan?

What tactics does Satan use?

How does Jesus combat Satan's tactics?

Jesus Is Tested in the Wilderness

¹Then Jesus was led by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted^{ἵνα} by the devil. ²After fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry. ³The tempter came to him and said, "If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to become bread."

⁴Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.'^{ἵνα}"

⁵Then the devil took him to the holy city and had him stand on the highest point of the temple. ⁶"If you are the Son of God," he said, "throw yourself down. For it is written:

"He will command his angels concerning you,
and they will lift you up in their hands,
so that you will not strike your foot against a stone.'^{ἵνα}"

⁷Jesus answered him, "It is also written: 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'^{ἵνα}"

⁸Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor. ⁹"All this I will give you," he said, "if you will bow down and worship me."

¹⁰Jesus said to him, "Away from me, Satan! For it is written: 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve him only.'^{ἵνα}"

¹¹Then the devil left him, and angels came and attended him.

Matthew 4:1-11 NIV

**Be self-controlled and alert
Your enemy the devil
prowls around like a roaring lion
looking for someone to devour
Resist him
standing firm in the faith**

1 Peter 5:8-9



**How does this passage describe Satan?
How does God encourage you to combat Satan?**

THE ARMOR OF GOD

EPHESIANS 6:10-18

"... Be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power.
Put on the full armor of God so that you can take
your stand against the devil's schemes." v. 10, 11

The Shield of Faith (Eph. 6:16)

Shield of Faith
Eph 6:16)

Helmet of Salvation
(Eph 6:17)

Breastplate of
Righteousness
(Eph 6:14)

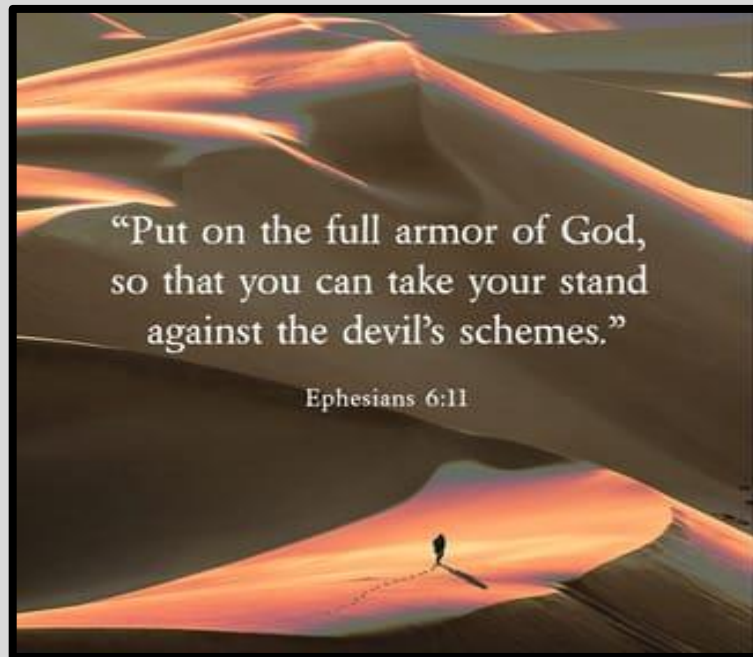
Belt of Truth
(Eph 6:14)



Feet
Prepared
with Gospel
of Peace
(Eph 6:15)

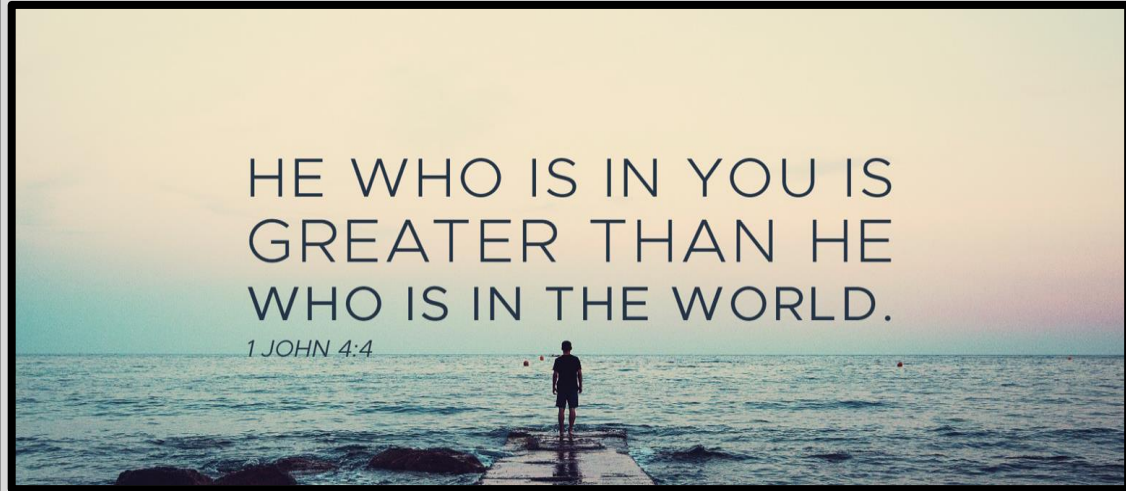


Sword of the
Spirit
(Eph 6:17)



"Put on the full armor of God,
so that you can take your stand
against the devil's schemes."

Ephesians 6:11



So, how do you balance understanding the devil's schemes and stand firm in Jesus' victory?

Romans 8:38-39

38 For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, **39** nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.



In Christ, there is nothing I can do that would make You love me more, and nothing that I have done that makes You love me less.

God has won the victory