Don't Get Devoured!

1 Peter 5:8-9

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| 3. | Actively resist Satan. | | | |
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But resist him, firm in faith, knowing that the same experiences of suffering are being accomplished by your brethren who are in the world.

Theme

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Who is Satan?

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What else do we know?

John 8:44

You are of your father the devil, and you want to do the desires of your father. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. Whenever he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own nature; for he is a liar, and the father of lies.

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Sobriety

This world is satanic.

Matthew 4:1 and v 8-9

Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil.

...the devil took Him to a very high mountain, and showed Him all the kingdoms of the world, and their glory; and he said to Him, "All these things will I give You, if You fall down and worship me."

The glory held out to Jesus was the sum of all the delights of the world that appeal to the flesh: power, wealth, celebrity, knowledge...

2 Corinthians 4:3-4

And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing, in whose case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelieving...

It's not that Satan is a god or that the world is his but that he has turned the heart of the world to himself, and he uses the things of the world to entice your heart as well.

Sobriety

This world is satanic.

Don't drink it in!

1 Peter 5:8-9

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To drink in the *things* of this world or the *philosophies* of this world or the *teachings* of this world is to drink in intoxicating spirits mixed by Satan himself.

You will become drunk making you easy prey!

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Watch our for Satan's snares.

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Vigilance

Satan is stalking you.

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He is scheming against you.

Ephesians 6:11

Put on the full armor of God, that you may be able to stand firm against

the schemes of the devil.

Satan's snares are false pleasures, false comforts, false philosophies, false teachings, false hope...

Vigilance

Satan is stalking you.

Be on the lookout!

1 Peter 5:8-9

Be sober, Wake up!

Your adversary, the devil, prowls about like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour.

Though Satan knows you and will tailor his attacks to suit you, no temptation is ever unique to you.

Common Snares

The costs of discipleship

But resist him, firm in faith,
knowing that the same experiences
of suffering are being accomplished by
your brethren who are in the world.

Matthew 13:20-21

And the one on whom seed was sown on the rocky places, this is the man who hears the word, and immediately receives it with joy; yet he has no firm root in himself, but is only temporary, and when affliction or persecution arises because of the word, immediately he falls away.

Common Snares

The costs of discipleship

The comforts of the world

Matthew 13:22

And the one on whom seed was sown among the thorns, this is the man who hears the word, and the worry of the world, and the deceitfulness of riches choke the word, and it becomes unfruitful.

Common Snares

The costs of discipleship

The comforts of the world

The comforts of false teaching.

2 Timothy 4:3-4

For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but wanting to have their ears tickled, they will accumulate for themselves teachers in accordance to their own desires; and will turn away their ears from the truth, and will turn aside to myths.

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Actively resist Satan by faith.

Resistance

Satan is resistible.

1 Peter 5:8

But resist him, firm in faith,

knowing that the same experiences of suffering are being accomplished by your brethren who are in the world.

Satan can be resisted. He did not make you do it!

He is resistible!

James 4:7

Submit therefore to God.

Resist the devil

and he will flee from you.

Resistance

Satan is resistible.

Resist him in faith.

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Peter does not have in mind the vague notion of belief with intensity.

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Firm faith is a firm grasp on the *content* of **the** faith, that is, the gospel.

1 Corinthians 16:13 Be on the alert, stand firm in the faith,

act like men, be strong.

Firm up!

Ephesians 6:14-17

Stand firm therefore,

having girded your loins with truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, and having shod your feet with the preparation of the gospel of peace...

Ephesians 6:14-17

...in addition to all,
taking up the shield of faith
with which you will be able to extinguish
all the flaming missiles of the evil one.
And take the helmet of salvation,
and the sword of the Spirit,
which is the word of God.

Have you embraced the gospel?

Do you have a firm grasp

on its content?

Christ protects you through the gospel!

Conclusion

Christ has conquered Satan and his powers; cling to the gospel and resist him.