

What Power Does Satan/Demons Have Over Believers?

Demon Possession	Demon Oppression	Christian's Transformation	God's Desires
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Demon working from the inside - inhabiting the person - Demon controls their actions and their life - Control over movements and natural functions <p>Mental illness, excessive violence, unnatural manifestations of anger, physical problems</p> <p>Not to be taken lightly</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - comes from the outside - Attack on the mind (II Cor 10:3-6) - Oppression = feelings of being weighed down with worries or problems <p>Satan's attacks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I Jn 2:15-16 - indulgence and pride - Lust of the flesh - Lust eyes - Boastful pride of life <p>Gen 3:1-6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - doubt God's Word - God is a liar - Offer the pleasures of the world - indulgence and pride <p>Matt 4:1-11</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - prove to me (Satan) you are the Son of God - Worship me (Satan) and I will give you all the kingdoms - Satan distorts the Word, Jesus comes back with it is written - truth <p>Satan's attack - indulgence and pride</p> <p>Our response - truth of God's Word</p>	<p>When we become a Christian - Jesus abides in us through the Holy Spirit</p> <p>John 1:4-5 - He is light - darkness doesn't comprehend it Comprehend = #2638 - katalambano - to lay hold of, to seize, to overtake</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - darkness has no power to stay when light comes - Light drives away the darkness <p>Col 1:13-14 - have been transferred from the kingdom of darkness to the kingdom of His Son (Light)</p> <p>I John 1:5-7 - we can't walk in darkness as a believer</p> <p>Rom 8:8-11</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - we were flesh - can't please God - Spirit dwells in you now - Dead to sin, made alive spiritually - Enables you to walk in obedience pleasing God - Enables you to glorify God with your body (I Cor 6:19-20) - Presenting our bodies as living sacrifices (Ro 12:1-2) <p>Ex 20:5 - God is a jealous God</p>	<p>Jn 3:16 - for all men to come to Him</p> <p>Jn 14:23; I Jn 3:24 - abide in us and us in Him</p> <p>I Cor 6:20 - glorify God in our body (II Pet 1:3; Eph 3:20-21)</p> <p>Mk 16:15 - preach the good news (Gospel)</p> <p>Ro 10:17 - need to take the Word of God to the people</p> <p>Satan rules the earth - right now (Jn 12:31; 14:30; 16:11; Eph 2:2; II Cor 4:4)</p>

Satan's Desires	Christian's Defense	God's Power & Protection	Final Thoughts
<p>Jn 8:44-45 - he is a liar, deceiver, and a murderer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - he hates God - hates what God loves - To hurt mankind is to hurt God - He is an imitator - He want to blind eyes, deafen ears, place feet on wide paths that lead to destruction - He wants to keep men in darkness - He wants to make Christians ineffective, distracted, fearful, confused, ignorant of God's love, power, and Word <p>Satan's plan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - can't possess a Christian but her can oppress - Schemes - Deceive - Keep eyes focused on self - False teachers/teachings - Attack our mind - whispering lies, fill us with doubts, fears, pride, greed - Constantly prowling looking for someone to devour (I Peter 5:8) - Accusing the saints before God (Rev 12:10) <p>Satan has power to do only what God allows him to do</p>	<p>Keep our minds focused on God</p> <p>We need to be of sound mind</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - protect our minds from Satan's lies (II Cor 10:5) - take every thought captive to Christ - Guard our minds (Pr 4:23) - Renew our mind's through God's Word (Ro 12:1-2) - don't be friends with the world (James 4:4) - Be prepared at weak moments <p>Bury ourselves in God's Word (Ps 119)</p> <p>Be alert and watchful</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - know you are in a battle (Eph 6) - Know your enemy - don't fear him (I Jn 4:18; II Tim 1:7) - Know his tricks <p>Be accountable to others</p> <p>Acknowledge God's power, position, and provision - Prayer</p> <p>Don't let Satan get in your head (Ep 6:16; II Cor 10:5; Phil 4:8)</p>	<p>He 1:14 - angels ministering spirits</p> <p>Ps 34:7 - angels camped around us</p> <p>Ps 91:10-11 - God gives His angels charge over us</p> <p>Ro 8:38-39 - nothing can separate us from the love of God</p> <p>I Jn 5:18 - the evil one doesn't touch those born of God</p> <p>Eph 1:13-14 - sealed with the Holy Spirit</p> <p>Constant tug-of-war (Gal 5:17; I Jn 2:16)</p> <p>II Pet 1:3 - everything we need has been given to us to fight this battle</p>	<p>Satan and his demons are real but we don't need to fear them</p> <p>We are in a battle</p> <p>Our instructions are not to worry about demons or even casting out demons - we are to stand and resist (James 4:7; Eph 6) - submit to God</p> <p>There are those who see demons behind everything (Eph 4:27) - don't give Satan a foothold</p> <p>Jude 9 - they rebuke things they don't know</p> <p>Warning - don't open yourself up to Satan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Movies - Books - Music - drugs/alcohol - Games - Ungodly living - "Smurfs"