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The God Of This World

To Be A Defeated Christian Is A Contradiction.”

- 1. The World.**
- 2. The Flesh.**
- 3. The Devil.**

Matthew 4:1-11 - *Then Jesus was led by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted there by the devil. ² For forty days and forty nights he fasted and became very hungry. ³ During that time the devil came and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to become loaves of bread.” ⁴ But Jesus told him, “No! The Scriptures say, ‘People do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.’” ⁵ Then the devil took him to the holy city, Jerusalem, to the highest point of the Temple, ⁶ and said, “If you are the Son of God, jump off! For the Scriptures say, ‘He will order his angels to protect you. And they will hold you up with their hands so you won’t even hurt your foot on a stone.’” ⁷ Jesus responded, “The Scriptures also say, ‘You must not test the Lord your God.’” ⁸ Next the devil took him to the peak of a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. ⁹ “I will give it all to you,” he said, “if you will kneel down and worship me.” ¹⁰ “Get out of here, Satan,” Jesus told him. “For the Scriptures say, ‘You must worship the Lord your God and serve only him.’” ¹¹ Then the devil went away, and angels came and took care of Jesus.*

Knowing How Satan Attacks Informs Us How To Be Prepared

Jesus Used The Same Resources Accessible To Us Today

- 1. The Power Of The Holy Spirit.**

Romans 8:2-4 - *And because you belong to him, the power of the life-giving Spirit has freed you from the power of sin that leads to death. ³ The law of Moses was unable to save us because of the weakness of our sinful nature. So God did what the law could not do. He sent his own Son in a body like the bodies we sinners have. And in that body God declared an end to sin’s control over us by giving his Son as a sacrifice for our sins. ⁴ He did this so that the just requirement of the law would be fully satisfied for us, who no longer follow our sinful nature but instead follow the Spirit.*

We Live The Jesus Lifestyle Through The Renewed Infilling And Power Of Holy Spirit

2. The Power Of The Word.

Psalms 119:9-16 - *How can a young man keep his way pure? By guarding it according to Your word. ¹⁰ With all my heart I have sought You; do not let me stray from Your commandments. ¹¹ I have hidden Your word in my heart that I might not sin against You. ¹² Blessed are You, O LORD; teach me Your statutes. ¹³ With my lips I proclaim all the judgments of Your mouth. ¹⁴ I rejoice in the way of Your testimonies as much as in all riches. ¹⁵ I will meditate on Your precepts and regard Your ways. ¹⁶ I will delight in Your statutes; I will not forget Your word.*

Romans 7:21-25 - *I have discovered this principle of life—that when I want to do what is right, I inevitably do what is wrong. ²² I love God’s law with all my heart. ²³ But there is another power within me that is at war with my mind. This power makes me a slave to the sin that is still within me. ²⁴ Oh, what a miserable person I am! Who will free me from this life that is dominated by sin and death? ²⁵ Thank God! The answer is in Jesus Christ our Lord. So you see how it is: In my mind I really want to obey God’s law, but because of my sinful nature I am a slave to sin.*

Hebrews 4:15 - *For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but One who has been tested in every way as we are, yet without sin. HCSB*

Jesus Fought Every Temptation With The Power And Knowledge Of God’s Word

He Focused On God’s Will For Himself

He Never Gave Up His Devotion

No Matter How Much We’re Being Tempted, We Can Overcome It