

Satan's Greatest Weapon Against the World.

Psalms 107: 1 – 15 Verse 10 as our text.

The greatest weapon that Satan has is “darkness”, the Lord said in verses 10 - 11 “*Such as sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, being bound in affliction and iron; (11) Because they rebelled against the words of God, and contemned the counsel of the most High:*” The definition of darkness or as God uses it here is - misery, destruction, death, ignorance, sorrow, wickedness: - However, the true meaning is to live without light. People that are lost are living in misery because they cannot see, hear, understand, nor do they have the blessings of God. They are lost and wicked in all their ways, they never bless the Lord. God said in **Proverbs 4:19** “*The way of the wicked is as darkness: they know not at what they stumble.*” John Gill said, “*They are in the darkness of sin, ignorance, error, and unbelief; their works are works of darkness; the way in which they are leads to eternal darkness, ruin, and misery, and so must be most uncomfortable and dangerous;*” If a soul is in darkness, then they have no light, none at all. God said in **2 Peter 2:4** “*For if God spared not the angels that sinned, but cast them down to hell, and delivered them into chains of darkness, to be reserved unto judgment;*” If God does not forgive a person's sins, then they live in darkness and their future is hell. Just the way God did before during the flood, in **verse 5** “*And spared not the old world, but saved Noah the eighth person, a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood upon the world of the ungodly;*” and again as He dealt with the cities of Sodom and Gomorrha in **verse 6** “*And turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrha into ashes condemned them with an overthrow, making them an ensample unto those that after should live ungodly;”.*

People who refuse to believe God do so because they cannot see Him, Christians who fall back into darkness refuse to believe God and outside of God's grace are no better than those who walk in darkness. Satan is real, he truly has power over the souls of this world, he has them blinded so they will believe his lie over God's truth. Satan has many satanic beings both invisible, and visible people. He has churches, pastors, and has a great and powerful following on this earth.

A. Satan is real, and darkness he is.

1. Remember Job, **Job 1:6 – 8** “*Now there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan came also among them. And the*

LORD said unto Satan, Whence comest thou? Then Satan answered the LORD, and said, From going to and fro in the earth, and from walking up and down in it. And the LORD said unto Satan, Hast thou considered my servant Job, that there is none like him in the earth, a perfect and an upright man, one that feareth God, and escheweth evil?" A saved soul should "escheweth evil" meaning to depart evil, because they have light and can see their error.

2. We must never forget the power Satan has, even over Christians and churches. **1 Chronicles 21:1** *"And Satan stood up against Israel, and provoked David to number Israel."* Satan provoked David? If God allows Satan to "provoke" us, then we are powerless. This is why we must be vigilant, **1 Peter 5:8** *"Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour:"*
3. Then we have this warning from God, **Ephesians 4:25 - 28** *"Wherefore putting away lying, speak every man truth with his neighbour: for we are members one of another. (26) Be ye angry, and sin not: let not the sun go down upon your wrath: (27) Neither give place to the devil. (28) Let him that stole steal no more: but rather let him labour, working with his hands the thing which is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth."*
4. Walking is Satan is walking in darkness of God's word. No matter how large or small, it is walking in darkness.

B. Satan's Future.

1. He has already been judged.
 - a. **John 16:11** *"Of judgment, because the prince of this world is judged."*
 - b. **Matthew 25:41** *"Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels:"*
2. **Revelation 12:8 - 9** *"And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven. (9) And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him."*
3. Satan and his angels will never win, God kicked them out of heaven and into hell and the earth. He is limited to whatever God allows, he will never have a victory, ever.

4. God ordained Satan's future just as He did the lost. **Revelation 20:7 - 10** *"And when the thousand years are expired, Satan shall be loosed out of his prison, (8) And shall go out to deceive the nations which are in the four quarters of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together to battle: the number of whom is as the sand of the sea. (9) And they went up on the breadth of the earth, and compassed the camp of the saints about, and the beloved city: and fire came down from God out of heaven, and devoured them. (10) And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever."*

C. Calvary was not a victory for Satan, but for Christ.

1. Jesus came to this world of darkness to deliver light. **1 John 1:5** *"This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all."*

2. Those of us who walk in the light, or the Spirit, are redeemed from sin and Satan's darkness. **1 John 1:7** *"But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin."*

3. Jesus is the only light, He is our only hope, He is our victory over Satan and darkness. **John 8:12** *"Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life."*

D. Conclusion

Darkness is no longer part of our life, if a believer has darkness in their life they choose it. It must be our goal in life to walk in the Spirit and that is in light. Our victory is in Jesus, and we must take advantage of the blessings He has given us in our victory over Satan and darkness.