

Resurrection Life of Jesus Church

DESTROYING THE WORKS OF THE DEVIL

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PART 5: GET THE DEVIL OFF YOUR EMOTIONS

Adam and Eve were created some 6,100 years ago and Satan and all evil spirits have been able to study, attack, possess and oppress people during this time period. They have become masters in the study of human emotions and there is nothing hidden from them in this area.

When you are born on this earth, you don't know that there are spiritual entities waiting to manipulate and pervert you. If God didn't limit the Devil and his crew, mankind would never have a chance at all.

In the Bible we learn that God puts a hedge of protection around people that Satan cannot breach unless God gives permission. **Job 1:6-12**

When it comes to salvation, Jesus told us that there is a protection that no one can undo and that a believer in Christ can be sure that his salvation is secure and cannot be removed. **John 10:27-30**

This knowledge was expressed by the apostle Paul as he proclaimed that there is nothing that can separate us from the love of God. **Romans 8:33-39**

But when it comes to our emotions, we are told by the apostle Peter to be alert and extremely vigilant because Satan and his demons are probing every human being on the earth. **1 Peter 5:8-9**

HUMAN EMOTIONS

God has created man with emotions and we must remember that He did not create anything evil. **Genesis 1:26-31**

Emotions can be infected by the Devil, and just like a disease, an infected emotion in a human being becomes very destructive and *these infected emotions are hated by God*. **Proverbs 6:16-19**

- ❖ God created love but Satan perverts it to hate.
- ❖ God created ambition but Satan perverts it to greed.
- ❖ God created caring but Satan perverts it to control.
- ❖ God created man to rule but Satan perverts it to selfish dominion.
- ❖ God created joy but Satan perverts it to grief and sorrow.
- ❖ God created man to live in peace but Satan perverts it into murder and war.
- ❖ God created man to have longsuffering but Satan perverts it into impatience.



- ❖ God created gentleness but Satan perverts it into brutality.
- ❖ God created goodness but Satan perverts it to evil.
- ❖ God created faith but Satan perverts it to unbelief and rejection.
- ❖ God created meekness but Satan perverts it to aggression.
- ❖ God created temperance but Satan perverts it to anger and rage.

The Devil attacked Jesus in every emotional area but did not succeed. Jesus never sinned! He was victorious and through His victory we can have victory in our lives! Hebrews 2:9-18

LET JESUS CONTROL YOUR EMOTIONS

It should be obvious that we are destroying the work of the Devil when we control our emotions. But how do you let Jesus rule over your emotions?

1. Step one is to be saved. This will transfer you out of the kingdom of Satan and into the kingdom of God. **1 Peter 2:9-10**
2. Make sure that all the demons have been removed from your life. **Matthew 12:29**
3. Make sure that you are baptized in the Holy Spirit. **John 7:37-39; Acts 1:4-8; 2:1-4, 37-39; 8:14-17; 19:1-6**
4. Die to self and give up your life and let Jesus live through you. **Romans 6:1-16; Galatians 2:20**
5. Make the decision to manifest the fruit of the Holy Spirit in your life. **Galatians 5:22-26**

When a person becomes emotional, all intelligence is removed and any thought of repercussion is blanked out. Raw emotions do not think of the future, only what is happening right now. A person in rage will commit murder in a second and not think about the consequences.

The Devil and his demons know that if they can capture your emotions, they can mold you to do their bidding. **Romans 6:16**

WHAT MORE CAN YOU DO?

A person who lives in forgiveness and is willing to forgive will have an easier time to control their emotions. This is why Jesus told us that forgiveness is not an option but a command that must be fulfilled. **Matthew 6:9-15**

God has given you a free will. You can use that free will to obey God or Satan. Satan cannot force us to obey him; he can only entice and try to convince us that it is good to obey him. ***You and I have the power to say, "NO!"***

Adam and Eve were not forced to disobey God; Satan enticed Eve and she willingly obeyed him. Eve enticed Adam and he willingly ate of the forbidden fruit. **Genesis 3:1-6**

There is always a way out. **1 Corinthians 10:13**

WALK IN THE HOLY SPIRIT

The apostle Paul spoke of how married people are to live but this also applies to people who are not married and the principle of success is based on these foundational stones: No drugs, always praising the Lord, continual thanksgiving to God, submission to others, love, and respect. **Ephesians 5:18-33**

THE DECISION IS YOURS!

Remember, it's not so important how you begin your life after salvation, but how you finish it!

Have you made plans on how to finish your life or are you just drifting?

DO YOU HAVE AN EAR TO HEAR WITH?

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