

## 1 PETER – Facing a Roaring Lion, 1 Peter 5:8-11

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### I. Your Adversary the Devil

- a. As a roaring lion
  - i. King of the Jungle is not an exaggeration
  - ii. The roar is used to put fear in the mind of the prey
  - iii. Satan or one of his demons cannot touch a Christian, 1 John 5:18
    - 1. Satan can no longer use the threat of death, Hebrews 2:14, 15
    - 2. Satan cannot possess a Christian, 1 John 5:18
      - a. The temple of God has no union (agreement) with idols, 2 Corinthians 6:16
      - b. We are in the Holy of Holies, 1 Corinthians 6:19
- b. Seeking whom he may swallow up
  - i. The snare of Satan, 1 Timothy 3:7; 2 Timothy 2:26
    - 1. Being puffed up by pride (surround by smoke)
    - 2. Fall into condemnation of the devil (slanderer)
    - 3. Do the desirous will of Satan, 2 Timothy 2:26
  - ii. Swallow up or overwhelm
    - 1. He is not seeking to destroy a Christian
    - 2. He is seeking to have them do his will as if it is the will of God

### II. The Condition of your Mind

- a. Sober Minded
  - i. Not sleeping, 1 Thessalonians 5:6 (Acting as sons of the day)
  - ii. Putting on the breastplate of faith and love, 1 Thessalonians 5:8
    - 1. God has not appointed us to any quality of wrath, 1 Thessalonians 5:9
    - 2. God has appointed us to receive salvation through Jesus Christ, 1 Thessalonians 5:9
  - iii. Understanding the times, 2 Timothy 4:3 – 5
    - 1. People will not endure healthy teaching
    - 2. They will heap up teachers according to their desires
    - 3. Continue in the truth
      - a. Ensure suffering

- b. Fulfill your ministry
  - iv. Correctly setting your mind, 1 Peter 1:13
  - v. Having a clear mind in communication of worship, 1 Peter 4:7
- b. Watch
  - i. There are those who will come even out of the church that will speak misleading things and draw disciples after themselves, Acts 20:30
  - ii. Stand firm in the faith, 1 Corinthians 16:13 (Christian Doctrine)
  - iii. Be attentive in your communication of worship in thanksgiving, Colossians 4:2 (Communicate with purpose)
- c. Your strength to defend against Satan's attacks only comes for your position in Christ, Ephesians 6:10
- d. Know your Enemy
  - i. Know who your enemy is
    - 1. Satan – A cherub, Ezekiel 28:14, 16; Isaiah 14:12
      - a. Highest of God's created beings
      - b. Ruled over the entire universe from earth
      - c. Fell because of pride
      - d. The father of the lie – independence from God
    - 2. Fallen angels using Satan's methodologies
  - ii. Know how he attacks (Methodologies)
- e. The battle for the mind
  - i. Satan's attacks are designed to affect our actions through our souls, 1 Peter 2:11
  - ii. He uses the normal process of our mind to influence our actions, James 1:14, 15