

Day 11

- “For the word of the LORD is right, and all His work is done in truth.” Psalm 33:4
- “By the word of the LORD, the heavens were made, and all the host of them by the breath of His mouth.” Psalm 33:7
 - Speak these words out loud, let them wash over you. Let them fill your ears, saturate through your skin, and penetrate deep into your heart. “For out of the abundance of the heart, the mouth speaks.” Matthew 12:34.
- I wanted to share a couple scriptures that speak beautiful truths of our God. We have covered a lot about coming into agreement with the enemy of our soul, yet we want to keep our focus firm on the One who deserves all our focus, God Most High!
 - In Day 1, I said that THE key is to always keeping our focus, our eyes, totally held fast on Jesus. “For in Him we live and move and have our being.” Acts 17:28.
 - So, as we continue to learn more about the tactics of the enemy, let’s learn it with our eyes firmly held on Jesus, our King.
- On Day 1 and Day 3, I gave you the scripture in 1 Peter 5:8 that warns us, “Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about LIKE a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour.”
 - On Day 3, I gave you the explanation of a roaring lion: a roaring lion in nature is an old lion, not truly capable for real combat, so he uses his roar to scare his pray in hopes of causing them to make a mistake, so he can easily devour them. He uses a ruse, a bluff.
 - Now, let’s take this a bit deeper. Do you see the word LIKE in 1 Peter 5:8? “The devil walks about LIKE a roaring lion...” So even in the roaring lion part, he is a liar. He is not a roaring lion; he walks about LIKE one. Why does he walk about like a roaring lion? Because Jesus IS THE LION OF JUDAH. Revelation 5:5. And Satan is always trying to counterfeit our LORD and KING. But, “there is nothing hidden which will not be revealed, nor has anything been kept secret but that it should come to light.” Mark 4:22.
 - This is part of this devotional, to shine a huge exposing search light on the devil and all his vile lies.
 - Do you see how deep his lying goes; it is multilayered, and he can never stop lying.
 - How do I know this? “He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own resources, for he is a liar and the father of it.” John 8:44
 - How can we prove it in scripture even more? “You shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.” John 8:32.
 - We know through scripture that Satan, “the devil, who deceived them, was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone where the beast and the false prophet are. And they will be tormented day and night forever and ever.” Revelation 20:10.
 - Satan has no truth in him because “the truth shall make you free.” John 8:32. He is already bound for hell, the lake of fire and brimstone. He can never be freed.
- Why am I trying to drive home that Satan is a liar and the father of lies with no truth in him? Because, as a society, we tend to think of him as a made up Hollywood villain, who isn’t all bad. We see him glorified in books and on the TV and in the movies.
 - And Satan revels in these people portraying him in that light (pun fully intended). “For Satan himself transforms himself into an angel of light.” 2 Corinthians 11:14.

- He not only wants people to believe he doesn't really exist (because he can easily control them then); he wants them to believe, if he does exist, he is the epitome of cool, the thing to ascribe to. (Ascribe: to attribute as a quality; consider as belonging to.) Yet scripture tells us, we should only ascribe quality attributes to our God. "For I proclaim the name of the Lord: Ascribe greatness to our God." Deuteronomy 32:3. "I will ascribe righteousness to my Maker." Job 36:3. "Ascribe strength to God; His excellence is over Israel, and His strength is in the clouds." Psalm 68:34
 - So, when we watch the shows and movies that glorify Satan, we are coming into agreement with that message; even as followers of Christ, by watching it, we are allowing our minds to be washed by Satan's lies and being desensitized to him and his true vile nature — desensitized: to render insensitive or less sensitive; to make nonreactive; to make emotionally unresponsive, as by long exposure.
 - Remember, one thing Satan has in his bag of tricks is to keep us from our destiny that is poised to establish Jesus' kingdom on earth as it is in heaven. If he can keep us distracted, or better yet, bound by all kinds of strongholds, he can give himself more time to roam the earth, seeking whom he may devour. He knows he is bound to hell, and he does not want to go there.
- This is why God himself is awakening people all across the world. He is literally saying, wake up! Wake up! Wake up! Wake up!
 - As if Paul Revere is being sent through the earth once again. Yet, this time, it is not, "the British are coming," on his lips; "It is wake up! Wake up! The enemy of your soul is about to devour you! Wake up!"
- Many of you may be thinking, "oh, come on, it isn't that bad." Or "it's okay to watch those shows and movies with Satan in them. It's no big deal."
 - If you are thinking either of those two statements or anything close to them, go back to the definition of desensitized, and read it slowly and out loud to yourself.
 - My heart, like God's, is for you. I want to see all people saved, delivered, set completely free, equipped, armed with "the sword of the Spirit, which is the WORD of God," (Ephesians 6:17), and released to fulfill their destinies through Christ Jesus.
- Let me leave you today with a scripture promise. "These things I have spoken to you, that in Me [Jesus], you may have peace. In the world, you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have OVERCOME the world." John 16:33
 - Remember, "let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due SEASON, we shall reap if we do not lose heart." Galatians 6:9. And there it is again, the Law of Seed, Plant, Harvest.
 - "Rejoice in the Lord always. Again, I say, rejoice! Let your gentleness be known to all men. The Lord is at hand." Philippians 4:4-5.
- Scripture truly is our weapon against ALL the tactics of the enemy, whether it is in praise scriptures to our God, or direct WORD weapons to rebuke Satan and cast him from us. The truths of the Bible are God's "yes, and amen." (2 Corinthians 1:20). Let me encourage you to yield fully to God and memorize and use the WORD of God, that "He might sanctify and cleanse [you] with the washing of water by the word." Ephesians 5:26.
- Until tomorrow, be blessed and encouraged and full of the "peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, [that it] will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus." Philippians 4:7.