

SATAN'S CLASSIC ATTACKS

WHY CHRISTIANS STILL SIN?

JOB 2:1-10

INTRODUCTION

- I often sense that **what** I am teaching does not “stick,” but quickly forgotten.
- How can I make what I’m saying very important to the hearers? (not just to me)
- Have our minds glued to what is being said.
 - What creates this kind of thinking?

REFLECTIONS

What makes the sermon so ineffective?
WHY does it not get through?

Hear from those are listening:

Too hard to understand.

Not interesting, It's so boring.

Hear from the teacher: “The Hearers”

As He said these things, He would call out,
“He who has ears to hear, let him hear.”

“some.. fell along the road”

“birds of the air ate it up”

Who are these?

Not interested, irrelevant to their

OBSTACLES TO CHRISTIAN LIVING

- **AN UNRENEWED MIND**
 - Renew our minds with God's Truth
- **WALKING BY THE FLESH**
 - Setting our minds on the things of the spirit
- **THREATS AND ATTACKS FROM SATAN**
 - Using Faith to choose our actions

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- **TEMPTATIONS TO OUR BODIES**
 - Appeal to Physical Appetites
 - Lost and suffer in Physical Matters
- **DECEPTION TO DECEIVE OUR MINDS**
 - The Persuasive Lies of the world
 - Confusions over the teachings of the Church
- **FEAR LEADS TO QUESTION OUR TRUST**
 - Fear in standing alone, apart from the crowd
 - Love for self
 - Anger from disappointment

JOB 2

¹Again there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan also came among them to present himself before the LORD. ²The LORD said to Satan, “Where have you come from?” Then Satan answered the LORD and said, “From roaming about on the earth and walking around on it.”

JOB 2b

³ The LORD said to Satan, “Have you **considered** My servant Job? For there is no one like him on the earth, a blameless and upright man fearing God and turning away from evil. And he still holds fast his integrity, although you incited Me against him to ruin him without cause.”

⁴ Satan answered the LORD and said, “Skin for skin! Yes, all that a man has he will give for his life.”

JOB 2c

⁵ However, put forth Your hand now, and touch his bone and his flesh; **he will curse You to Your face.**”

⁶ So the LORD said to Satan, “Behold, he is in your power, only spare his life.” ⁷ Then Satan went out from the presence of the LORD and **smote Job** with sore boils from the sole of his foot to the crown of his head.

JOB 2d

⁸ And he took a potsherd to scrape himself while he was sitting among the ashes.

⁹ Then **his wife** said to him, “Do you still hold fast your integrity? **Curse God and die!**” ¹⁰ But he said to her, “You speak as one of the foolish women speaks. **Shall we indeed accept good from God and not accept adversity?**” In all this Job did not sin with his lips.

EXHORTATION TO FAITH

Prov.3:5 Trust in the LORD with all your heart,
and do not lean on your own understanding.

6 In all your ways **acknowledge him**,
and he will make straight your paths.

7 Be not wise in your own eyes;
fear the LORD, and turn away from evil.

8 It will be healing to your flesh
and refreshment to your bones.

FAITH, IS THE VICTORY

1 Jn.5:4 For everyone who has been born of God **overcomes the world**. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—**our faith**.⁵ Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who **believes** that Jesus is the Son of God?

HEBREWS 11

¹ Now faith is **the assurance** of *things hoped for*, **the conviction** of things **not seen**. ² For by it the men of old gained approval.

³ By faith **we understand** that the worlds were prepared **by the word** of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things which are visible.

FAITH IS A RESULT OF HEARING

From where does Faith come
How can you and I acquire faith, a
faith which will save us?

Rom. 10:¹⁷ So **faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.**

2 Cor. 5:7 for we walk by faith, not by sight.