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### **LOVE GOD**

- **Mark 12:30** Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.'

### **LOVE PEOPLE**

- **Mark 12:31** The second is this: 'Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these.'

### **LOVE LIFE**

- **John 10:10** The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.

2012 is going to be your year of \_\_\_\_\_! You are going to learn what the Scripture (TRUTH) teaches about the Strongman, his game, and how to bind him and loose the SPIRIT of GOD in your life.

As a believer, Peter expressed in

### **2 Peter 1:3-9**

In other words, Peter is letting ALL the churches both he and Paul influenced, know that God's Divine Power in us has given us everything we need for life and godliness through our \_\_\_\_\_ of HIM who called us by His own glory and goodness.

### **What about strongholds?**

#### **God's Attributes:**

- Spirit
- \_\_\_\_\_ - He's never been touched by sin
- Eternal - Always existed
- Infinite - without limits except when He's limited Himself by His Word
- Omni - (Present, everywhere, all the time at the same time, Knows everything, and has ALL power and the ability to use it)
- \_\_\_\_\_ - He never, ever lies
- Just - 100% fair in His actions with us
- Righteous - totally good
- Life - He isn't just alive... He is Life!

- Unchangeable - James 1:17 Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows.
- Sovereign - Supreme ruler... and His sovereignty is in complete harmony with His other attributes. God never, ever steps out of character in any one of His attributes.
- Love - He is LOVE
- Faithful - absolutely trustworthy
- Merciful - beyond human comprehension
- Provident - watches over and cares for all His creation

**“God’s attributes never get out of balance with each other. He never acts out of character.” -Dr. Jerry Robenson**

This is what the Bible reveals about our enemy:

- A \_\_\_\_\_
- Murderer
- Sower of discord
- an adversary
- Cunning
- Wicked
- Malignant - totally evil
- Cowardly
- A tempter
- A \_\_\_\_\_
- Without principles
- Proud
- Deceitful
- Fierce and cruel
- Aggressive
- A \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE:**

The Satan is not a \_\_\_\_\_. He is a fallen angel. This isn’t an equal tug of war here! As a result of the fall it didn’t all of the sudden make him stronger.

What’s the wages of sin? It’s death. When you’re dying... are you getting stronger or are you getting weaker? \_\_\_\_\_

**1 John 3:8 He who does what is sinful is of the devil, because the devil has been sinning from the beginning. The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the devil's work.**



## 1. Who's In Charge?

Before we can proceed we have to stop and identify who's the \_\_\_\_\_. In other words we have to identify who is doing what in our lives if we are going to react correctly according to God's Word.

### • Open Doors

Paul said it this way:

**Ephesians 4:27 and do not give the devil a foothold. (Amplified Bible - "Leave no room or foothold, give no opportunity to him.")**

"When we allow openings in our spiritual lives Satan feels he has the \_\_\_\_\_ to take advantage of us in those specific territories. Likewise, if we keep the doors closed, he is denied access.

### Open Door Principle:

**Genesis 4:7**

**Did Cain have a choice? Yes... he chose to open the door.**

**Isaiah 14:12-14**

**Sin is \_\_\_\_\_!** One thing leads to another until we find ourselves in BIG trouble! This is reason enough to want to close every door, and ask God for His help in keeping them closed!

## 2. What are Open Doors

• **Lineage** - Something we all need to examine very closely is **inherited** weaknesses. It might seem crazy but there is Scriptural support for the lingering effects of our ancestors. Usually it's something we have no idea about... because the family doesn't talk about it or it was a done in secrecy.

**Exodus 20:5**

- **Crisis** -
- **Ignorance** -

Ephesians 6:10-13 Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the full armor of God so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes. For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand.

**James 4:7 Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.**



**2 Timothy 2:15 Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a workman who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth.**

**Heres the RESULTS we are looking for:**

- There is no question about \_\_\_\_\_ we are fighting
- What the \_\_\_\_\_ is to defeat him
- And who's \_\_\_\_\_ we will gain the victory

**In the weeks to come we are going to learn the three stages of bondage. We are going to learn the importance of binding the enemy in the name of Jesus and loosing the power of the Holy Spirit.**

**NOTE:**

This doesn't mean that the Holy Spirit is tied up or needs to be loosed... we are going to learn that when we loose the Holy Spirit, we release or invite the Holy Spirit to accomplish in us the \_\_\_\_\_ for OUR LIVES.

**NOTE:**

Can you see that ultimately our freedom is an act of our \_\_\_\_\_! We close ourself off to the enemy and open ourself up to God so that He can freely work as He sees fit in our lives, families, and situations.

**Romans 13:12-14 The night is nearly over; the day is almost here. So let us put aside the deeds of darkness and put on the armor of light. Let us behave decently, as in the daytime, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and debauchery, not in dissension and jealousy. Rather, clothe yourselves with the Lord Jesus Christ, and do not think about how to gratify the desires of the sinful nature.**

