

## Uncovering the Schemes of the Devil

1 Cor. 10:1-13; 2 Cor. 2:10-11 & 4:1-4; 1 Tim 4:1-4

**Introduction:** There are two invisible kingdoms at war: the Kingdom of God and the kingdom of Satan. Last week we looked at the cosmic clash of these two kingdoms in Luke 4. This week we look at when Jesus exercised power over Satan and the entire demonic realm.

### **Unchangeable kingdom principles: Ten rules of engagement in the spiritual war**

1. Jesus is the undisputed King of Kings. (Matthew 28:18)
2. Jesus defeated Satan at the cross. (Colossians 2:15)
3. Faith in Christ transfers sinners from the kingdom of darkness to the kingdom of light. (Colossians 1:13)
4. Satan's well-structured army of demons operates in stealth mode. (John 8:44)
5. Satan and his demons masquerade as angels of light...masters of deception. (2 Corinthians 11:13-15)
6. Satan's ultimate objective is to be worshipped. (Isaiah 14:12-14)
7. Jesus revealed that Satan's main mission to humanity is to steal, kill and destroy. (John 10:10)
8. Christ delegated power over Satan to authentic Spirit-filled believers. (Luke 9:1; Luke 10:17; James 4:7)

9. Children of the light know who they are, but children of darkness live in constant deception. (2 Thessalonians 5:5-10)

10. Believers in Jesus are never to return to the deeds of darkness. (Ephesians 5:7-13)

## **Can Christians be demon “possessed”?**

### **Satan’s ten main diabolical strategies to defeat and defile believers.**

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### **Three general ways Satan undermines a Christian’s life.**

1. To blind us from knowing who we are in Christ and applying the resources you have in Christ to stay free.
2. To corrupt us through sin to create strongholds in our lives.
3. To keep us from achieving God’s purpose and mission for our lives.

**Conclusion:** Next week: How demonic strongholds develop—The battle for your mind.