

Sermon: “*The Scouting Report on Satan’s Strategies*”

Text: Genesis 3:1-8 (page 2 in pew Bible)

I. Seeing With The Eyes Of Faith

“...that Satan might not outwit us. For we are not unaware of *his schemes*.” **II Corinthians 2:11**

“Put on the full armor of God so that you can take your stand against *the devil’s schemes*. **Ephesians 6:11**

II. Surveying the Strategic Elements of Satan’s Attacks

Seven Strategies Employed By Satan

1. His approach is subtle

Genesis 3:1 “Now the serpent was more crafty ...”

2. He attacks areas of known weakness

Genesis 3:6 “When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and also desirable for gaining wisdom, she took some and ate it.

3. He calls into question God’s *commands* and *character*

Genesis 3:1 “Did God really say...?”

4. His words are lies and directly contradict the words of God.

Genesis 3:4 “You will not surely die,”

5. He undermines God’s natural order in creation

Genesis 3:1 “He said *to the woman*...”

6. He offers “freedom of choice”

Genesis 3:5 “you will be like God, knowing good and evil.”

7. He says, “You can sin and there will be no consequences”.

Genesis 3:4 “You will not surely die,”

III. Submitting to Jesus The Savior

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

“The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the devil's work.”
I John 3:8