

**Sermon: “Satan: His Domain, Damage and Doom”**

**Text: I Peter 5:8-9 (page 1017 in pew Bible)**

## **I. Satan’s domain has been shaken and He is going down.**

**I John 3:9-10** “No one who is born of God will continue to sin, because God’s seed remains in them; they cannot go on sinning, because they have been born of God. This is how we know who the children of God are and who the children of the devil are.”

### **A. Jesus predicts the beginning of Satan’s demise.**

**John 12:31-32** “Now is the time for judgment on this world; now the prince of this world will be driven out. But I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all men to myself.”

### **B. Jesus puts demonic hosts to flight.**

**Mark 1:32-34** “That evening after sunset the people brought to Jesus all the sick and demon-possessed. The whole town gathered at the door, and Jesus healed many who had various diseases. He also drove out many demons, but he would not let the demons speak because they knew who he was.

### **C. Jesus portrays sin as personal, not demonic.**

## **II. Satan’s damage is real and substantial.**

I Peter 5:8 “prowls around like a *roaring lion* looking for someone to devour”

Ephesians 6:16 “take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the *flaming arrows* of the evil one.”

**A. Damage is done by Satan exerting his influence on man, (but it is man who chooses whether or not to follow).**

**Revelation 12:9** “The great dragon was hurled down -- that ancient serpent called the devil, or Satan, who leads the whole world astray.”

**Acts 5:3** “Then Peter said, “Ananias, how is it that Satan has so filled your heart that you have lied to the Holy Spirit ...”

**James 1:13-14** “When tempted, no one should say, “God is tempting me.” For God cannot be tempted by evil, nor does he tempt anyone; but each one is tempted when, by his own evil desire, he is dragged away and enticed.”

**TEMPTATION:** Satan’s presenting you with an opportunity to fulfill an evil desire already resident in your heart.

### **B. Damage is done by Satan contributing to division and strife**

**Ephesians 4:26-27** “Do not let the sun go down while you are still angry, and do not give the devil a foothold.”

## **III. Satan’s doom is certain.**

**Revelation 20:10** “And the devil, who deceived them, was thrown into the lake of burning sulfur, where the beast and the false prophet had been thrown. They will be tormented day and night for ever and ever.”

### **Everything Satan intends for evil, God can use for good.**

**II Corinthians 12:7-10** “To keep me from becoming conceited because of these surpassingly great revelations, there was given me a thorn in my flesh, a messenger of Satan, to torment me.”

**Acts 3:15 and 19** “You killed the author of life, but God raised him from the dead... Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord.”