

The Devil's in the Details

Part Two - Demons on Detail

The devil is militant.

1 Timothy 6:12

Fight the good fight of the faith.

Ephesians 6:12

For we are not fighting against flesh-and-blood enemies, but against evil rulers and authorities of the unseen world, against mighty powers in this dark world, and against evil spirits in the heavenly places.

2 Corinthians 10:4

The weapons we use in our fight are not the world's weapons but God's powerful weapons, which we use to destroy strongholds.

Ephesians 6:11-12

Put on all of God's armor so that you will be able to stand firm against all strategies of the devil.

Demons are sent out on details.

2 Corinthians 12:7

Lest I be lifted up by the abundance of revelations, a thorn for my flesh was handed over to me, an Angel of Satan to buffet me, lest I be lifted up.

Luke 22:31

And the Lord said, "Simon, Simon, look, Satan asked to have you, that he might sift you as wheat..."

Demonic details can be geographic.

Daniel 10:13

But for twenty-one days the spirit prince of the kingdom of Persia blocked my way. Then Michael, one of the archangels, came to help me, and I left him there with the spirit prince of the kingdom of Persia.

Mark 5:10

(The demon) begged Jesus repeatedly not to send them out of the region.

2 Corinthians 11:14

But I am not surprised! Even Satan disguises himself as an angel of light.

Types of Demons on Detail

1. The spirit of fear.

2 Timothy 1:7

For God did not give us a Spirit of fear but of power and love and self-control.

1 Corinthians 10:13

No temptation has come upon you except what is common to humanity. But God is faithful; he will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation he will also provide the way out so that you may be able to bear it.

2. The spirit of deception.

1 John 4:6

We are from God; the person who knows God listens to us, but whoever is not from God does not listen to us. By this we know the Spirit of truth and the spirit of deceit.

3. The spirit of pride.

Proverbs 16:18

Pride goes before destruction, a haughty spirit before a fall.

4. The spirit of heaviness.

Isaiah 61:3

To console those who mourn in Zion, To give them beauty for ashes, The oil of joy for mourning, The garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; That they may be called trees of righteousness, The planting of the LORD, that He may be glorified.

5. The spirit of infirmity.

Luke 13:11

And look, a woman who had a spirit of infirmity eighteen years, and she was bent over, and could in no way straighten herself up.

6. The spirit of antichrist.

1 John 4:3

But if someone claims to be a prophet and does not acknowledge the truth about Jesus, that person is not from God. Such a person has the spirit of the Antichrist, which you heard is coming into the world and indeed is already here.

7. The spirit of stupor.

Romans 11:8

Just as it is written: "God has given them a spirit of stupor, Eyes that they should not see and ears that they should not hear, To this very day."

Ephesians 5:14

Therefore he says, "Awake, you who sleep, and rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you."

8. The spirit of bondage.**Romans 8:15**

For you didn't receive the spirit of bondage again to fear, but you received the Spirit of adoption, by whom we cry, "Abba! Father!"

9. The spirit of divination.**Acts 16:16**

One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling.

10. The spirit of lust.**Hosea 4:12**

My people consult their wooden idols, and their divining rods inform them. For a spirit of promiscuity leads them astray; they act promiscuously in disobedience to their God.

Demons sent out on militant details against believers cannot result in possession, they absolutely result in oppression and often establish strongholds over believers.

2 Corinthians 10:5

We demolish arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God, and we take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ.