



## Beyond the Sermon

A Sermon Application Guide

**Title: Satan's Plan (At the Enemy's Gate pt 1)**

This guide is designed to offer a simple tool for those wanting to take the next step with Sunday's message. You can print this guide to study on your own, or use it in a group and experience transformation together.

### Prayer

*"God you are an awesome God. Your beauty can't be contained in any song or prayer. Thank you for the glimpses of You all around us and for making each of us unique to resemble you in different ways. I know you have defeated the enemy and that you have good things for me. You're so wonderful. Amen."*

### Message Theme

The Real Enemy | Know Satan's Tactics

### Key Truths

**It is important for us as believers to know who our enemy is so we can be prepared and stand against him.** In the beginning, satan was created by God and was a cherub angel. We can see in the Bible that even the angels have free will and Satan had made a choice for himself between good and evil.

**Why would God create evil?** The fact that there was good means there was the possibility for evil. God's plan wasn't for evil but he has blessed us with choices and free will, which means that we get to choose God and goodness or evil and separation from God.

**We learn in the bible that music is spiritual.** By just being in corporate worship we can find relief. What we listen to gets on the inside of us. This is why what we listen to is so important. We also read that Angels are often involved in healings. Angels are ministers of God sent to minister for us but our rebellion and strife can stop their ministry.

### Practical Application

The grace of God is like a diamond, it has a lot of facets and sides. One of them is the grace for every single need we have. That isn't necessarily for the past but specifically for today and tomorrow.

- The grace of God brings help for the situation we are in right now.

- When the grace of God is on us, we will love doing what we're doing.
- The grace of God enables us to enjoy what others don't.
- We must stay vigilant, satan uses people to get his work done but people are not our enemies.
- We will have God's best for us if we press in for it.

## **Reference Verses**

- 1 Peter 5:8
- Ezekiel 28:2, 28:12-16
- Daniel 3:7
- 2 Kings 3:10-20
- Isaiah 14:13-15
- Hebrews 4:16
- Ephesians 6:12
- 2 Corinthians 4:4
- Revelation 3:20
- Matthew 11:28-30

## **Declarations**

"I know that God is good and created me for good things. God does not cause bad things to happen but he turns them around to bring beauty. Our battles are not against people but against Satan and darkness. The Bible tells me I am on the winning team. Now I get the honor of sharing the good news with other people".

## **What's Next?**

Now it's time to write down anything the Lord has spoken to you. Praise Him, Thank Him and ask the Holy Spirit to help you walk this out.

## Scripture References

### Satan's Plan

**2 Corinthians 2:11 NKJV** ...for we are not ignorant of his devices.

**1 Peter 5:8 NKJV** Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil...

**1 Peter 5:8 NKJV** Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour.

**Matthew 11:12 NKJV** ...the kingdom of heaven suffers violence, and the violent take it by force.

**Ezekiel 28:2 NKJV** "Son of man, say to the prince of Tyre, 'Thus says the Lord God: "Because your heart is lifted up, And you say, 'I am a god, I sit in the seat of gods, In the midst of the seas,' Yet you are a man, and not a god, Though you set your heart as the heart of a god..."

**Ezekiel 28:12-15 NKJV** "You were the seal of perfection, Full of wisdom and perfect in beauty. You were in Eden, the garden of God; Every precious stone was your covering: The sardius, topaz, and diamond, Beryl, onyx, and jasper, Sapphire, turquoise, and emerald with gold. The workmanship of your timbrels and pipes Was prepared for you on the day you were created. "You were the anointed cherub who covers; I established you; You were on the holy mountain of God; You walked back and forth in the midst of fiery stones. You were perfect in your ways from the day you were created, Till iniquity was found in you.

**1 Samuel 16:14-23 NKJV** The Spirit of the LORD had left Saul, and an evil spirit from the LORD was terrifying him. "It's an evil spirit from God that's frightening you," Saul's officials told him. "Your Majesty, let us go and look for someone who is good at playing the harp. He can play for you whenever the evil spirit from God bothers you, and you'll feel better." "All right," Saul answered. "Find me someone who is good at playing the harp and bring him here." "A man named Jesse who lives in Bethlehem has a son who can play the harp," one official said. "He's a brave warrior, he's good-looking, he can speak well, and the LORD is with him." Saul sent a message to Jesse: "Tell your son David to leave your sheep and come here to me." Jesse loaded a donkey with bread and a goatskin full of wine, then he told David to take the donkey and a young goat to Saul. David went to Saul and started working for him. Saul liked him so much that he put David in charge of carrying his weapons. Not long after this, Saul sent another message to Jesse: "I really like David. Please let him stay with me." Whenever the evil spirit from God bothered Saul, David would play his harp. Saul would relax and feel better, and the evil spirit would go away.

**Daniel 3:7 NKJV** So at that time, when all the people heard the sound of the horn, flute, harp, and lyre, in symphony with all kinds of music, all the people, nations, and languages fell down and worshiped the gold image which King Nebuchadnezzar had set up. So at that time, when all the people heard the sound of the horn, flute, harp, and lyre, in symphony with all kinds of music, all

the people, nations, and languages fell down and worshiped the gold image which King Nebuchadnezzar had set up.

**2 Kings 3:10 NKJV** And the king of Israel said, “Alas! For the Lord has called these three kings together to deliver them into the hand of Moab.”

**2 Kings 3:11-12 & 15 NKJV** But Jehoshaphat said, “Is there no prophet of the Lord here, that we may inquire of the Lord by him?” So one of the servants of the king of Israel answered and said, “Elisha the son of Shaphat is here, who poured water on the hands of Elijah.” And Jehoshaphat said, “The word of the Lord is with him...” But now bring me a musician.” Then it happened, when the musician played, that the hand of the Lord came upon him.

**Isaiah 14:13-15 NKJV** For you have said in your heart: ‘I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God; I will also sit on the mount of the congregation On the farthest sides of the north; I will ascend above the heights of the clouds, I will be like the Most High.’ Yet you shall be brought down to Sheol, To the lowest depths of the Pit.

**1 Corinthians 11:10 NKJV** For this reason the woman ought to have a symbol of authority on her head, because of the angels.

**Hebrews 4:16 AMPC** Let us then fearlessly and confidently and boldly draw near to the throne of grace (the throne of God’s unmerited favor to us sinners), that we may receive mercy [for our failures] [appropriate help and well-timed help, coming just when we need it].

**Hebrews 4:16 MSG** Take the mercy, accept the help.

**Ephesians 6:12 TLB** For we are not fighting against people made of flesh and blood, but against persons without bodies...

**Matthew 11:12 NKJV** ...the kingdom of heaven suffers violence, and the violent take it by force.

**Ephesians 6:12 TLB** For we are not fighting against people made of flesh and blood, but against persons without bodies—the evil rulers of the unseen world, those mighty satanic beings and great evil princes of darkness who rule this world...

**2 Corinthians 4:4 KJV** ...the god of this world...

**Ephesians 6:12 TLB** ...evil princes of darkness who rule this world; and against huge numbers of wicked spirits in the spirit world.