

Introduction

Series

KJV - devices

NIV - schemes

Same idea at Eph. 6:10-18 - "wiles"

I. Lies

1. Liar vs truth
2. Satan vs Jesus
3. Forms of lying - deception of self... others
4. Lied to - by one get a free laptop
5. Half-truths
6. Called "liar" because lies are the root of so much sin

II. Doubt (the truth)

1. Truth - wonder about it
 - example - something happens bad - I wonder if He loves me
 - example - Baptist preacher - I've been drinking my whole life... nothing bad has ever happened to me
2. Example - Adam and Eve - you won't die... God is keeping something from you
3. Before sin - truth - after sin - live under lies

III. Distort (the truth)

1. Tell a half truth
 - tell just a bit - not all the truth
 - jump to a conclusion
2. "See" in a field - parable - Mt. 13:25 - the enemy (devil) sows other seed
3. Mormons/ Universalists
 - distorted truth
 - Mormons - "Christians" view is the opposite
 - He became god - born a man - better and better till God
 - seed the planets with children
 - Universalist
 - Jesus died for all therefore all will be saved

IV. Harass

1. Not possess - demons can Harass
2. Persecution
 - Saul - later Paul
 - "don't think it strange..." - 1 Peter 4:12
3. Random quote - Satan hindered us - 1 Thess. 2:18
4. Antagonize and attack

V. Discourage

1. Downcast - Old Testament word is “hopeless”
 - Despair
 - Disillusion
 - All end up hopeless
 - Disappointed - on the road to Emmaus - we thought He was the one
 - Disillusioned - believe in the church or church leader - then let down
2. Satan is a thief
 - Kill - our faith
 - Steal - our hope
 - Destroy - dreams and plans
3. Takes away
 - A. Hope
 - Faith
 - Love
 - B. Cannot lose salvation
 - C. Can lose
 - hope
 - belief
 - reach out
4. Cloudy/ dark/ darkness/ blindness
5. A lack of these things really hampers the church
 - love enough - overlook
 - believe enough - keep at it
 - hope enough - try again

Conclusion

Bible - truth, truth, truth
Satan's lies