## Don't Answer the Devil's Questions!!

As Christians, we are constantly in a spiritual warfare. This warfare is a war of words in the form of questions. The devil is constantly speaking to people, and he wants us to answer his questions with our own human reasoning. Let us look at the devil asking Eve a question.

Genesis 3:1-4 KJV Now the serpent was more subtil than any beast of the field which the Lord God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden? [2] And the woman said unto the serpent, We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden: [3] But of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die. [4] And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die:

Genesis 3:1-4 AMPC Now the serpent was more subtle and crafty than any living creature of the field which the Lord God had made. And he [Satan] said to the woman, Can it really be that God has said, You shall not eat from every tree of the garden? [2] And the woman said to the serpent, We may eat the fruit from the trees of the garden, [3] Except the fruit from the tree which is in the middle of the garden. God has said, You shall not eat of it, neither shall you touch it, lest you die. [4] But the serpent said to the woman, You shall not surely die,

I believe we can see in these Scriptures that Eve got into trouble by entertaining the devil's question. She should have said 'God said we are not suppose to eat the fruit of this tree, so you're a liar! Shut up and get out of here!' She didn't do that, she let the devil keep on talking, and he eventually deceived her.

- 1 Timothy 2:13-14 AMPC For Adam was first formed, then Eve; [14] And it was not Adam who was deceived, but [the] woman who was deceived and deluded and fell into transgression.
- 2 Timothy 2:23 KJV But foolish and unlearned questions avoid, knowing that they do gender strifes.

The devil is always speaking to us through people and in our own thoughts. He wants us to get into strife, and he does it with foolish and unlearned questions. How can I win someone to Jesus, if I'm in an argument with them? I must recognize the devil is behind the scenes getting them to say things to try to trick me. Jesus was constantly being attacked with foolish and unlearned questions. He loved his attackers, even when they were killing him. Jesus never sinned one time, which means He never did one thing that the devil was trying to pressure Him to do. On the cross, He said to His Father, "Forgive them; they don't know what they do".

There is so much hate in this world we must counter it with love and forgiveness. Look at these verses that are our Father God's instructions to us.

Ephesians 4:27,31-32 KJV [27] Neither give place to the devil. [31] Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all

malice: [32] And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.

I want to close this Newsletter with these thoughts: It seems like God will not do our spiritual fighting for us. He tells us these things.

1 Timothy 6:12 KJV Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, whereunto thou art also called, and hast professed a good profession before many witnesses.

James 4:7 KJV [7] Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.

1 Peter 5:8-9 KJV Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour: [9] Whom resist stedfast in the faith, knowing that the same afflictions are accomplished in your brethren that are in the world.

When we get to Heaven, we won't have to fight; but while we are here on Earth, we must never quit fighting.

Love you, Pastor Paul

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This Week's Daily Bible Readings

Monday Hebrews chapter 6
Tuesday Hebrews chapter 7
Wednesday Hebrews chapter 8
Thursday Hebrews chapter 9
Friday Hebrews chapter 10
Saturday Hebrews chapter 11
Sunday Hebrews chapter 12

## \*Upcoming Events

- 1. Women's Dance Aerobics: 10-11am Mon Fri.
- 2. Mobile Prayer: Wednesdays 2-3:30pm in our Lee side parking lot; Fridays 2-3:30pm Sam's Warehouse
- 3. Noonday Bible Study: In Sanctuary; live on KJRF 91.1fm; live stream on TCC app.12:15 Mon-Fri
- 4. Walk For Life: This coming Saturday at Elmer Thomas Park. Registration is at 8:30am; Walk begins at 9am
- 5. Men's Fellowship: Saturday 9am at Golden Corral
- 6. Crosses at the Corner: Saturday 12-1pm

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- \*\* Here is a list of the many gatherings we have for you to get together and fellowship with your brothers and sisters. Please take advantage of them, and you will bless yourself and others also.

Sundays \* Prayer: 9am Lee Blvd entrance \* Fellowship in Café 9:15-9:45 am. \* Services 10:45 am

Adult, Youth, and Children classes 9:45-10:30 am

Faith Class: ------Michael Whitley Foundation 1 Class: ---Pastor Paul Foundation 2 Class: ---Mike Wiggins

Healing Class: -----Lester/Monica Witherspoon Marriage Class:-----Danny/Demetrius Williams

Prayer Class: -----Joe Cunningham

Children's Sunday School: 6 months - 5th grade

Youth Services: -----Lucas/Cyndi Moore

Young Singles/College & Career — Eliav/Kim Nash

- Daily \* Early Morning Prayer in Sanctuary: Monday-Friday 6:15-7:15am
- \* Noonday Bible Study: Mon-Fri 12:15 in Sanctuary or 91.1fm or live stream on TCC app
  - \* Women's Dance Aerobics: Mon-Fri 10-11am in the Gym

Weekly \* Sunday Services: 9:45 am classes; 10:45am Main Service

- \* Wednesday night: Adult and Youth Services 7pm (Youth meet in Youth
- \* Mobile Prayer: Wed 2–3:30pm Lee Blvd parking lot; Fri 2–3:30pm Sam's Warehouse
- Monthly \* Men's Meeting: 9am 1st Saturday of each month at Golden Corral
- \* Crosses at the Corner: 11am-1pm 1st and 3rd Saturdays corner of Sheridan and Cache Rd.
  - \* Women's Meeting: 9am 2nd Saturday of each month
    - \* Women's Discipleship: 3rd Thursday of each month 5pm in Sanctuary
  - \* Horse Ministry: 12-3pm 3rd Saturday of each month