HOW TO POSISSION OF THE DEVIL

James 4:7



So a few months ago, i had the craziest dream about a woman of God I follow.

In this dream there were a group of demons discussing her. They were holding placards and on it they had written things they wanted to throw at her.

But every time one demon would lift a placard up with an idea another demon would say oh we tried that on her but she OVERCAME.



They kept complaining that she was damage proof or something proof i can't remember that part clearly.

They did this several times till they became frustrated and had no more ideas because she had overcome everything they had thrown her way.

When I woke up this verse came to me Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. (James 4:7)



I believe that as much as this dream was for her, it was also to encourage every believer.

Don't give up because you have already overcome in Christ.

Yes things may not be great now but it's going to get so much better. Put your hope in Jesus, Submit in humility and obedience to God and the devil will have absolutely No CHOICE but to FLEE!!!



STEPS TO RESIST THE DEVIL

Firstly, give no opportunity to the devil.

Ephesians 4:27 says "neither give place to the devil."

This means to be vigilant and be self-controlled on all occasions. He will try and get a foothold using your weakness. Know your weakness and guard against it.

The smallest opening and minutest foothold must be zealously guarded against him. Romans 13:14 says "But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires."

If you cozy up to sin and temptation, it multiplies the chances for you to fall into sin.



Secondly, put on the armour of God. <u>Ephesians</u> 6:11 says "Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil."

That is:

- The belt of truth
- The breastplate of righteousness
- Readiness, given by the gospel of peace as shoes for your feet
- Take up the shield of faith to extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one
- Take the helmet of salvation
- The sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

Do all this by praying in the Spirit at all times and keeping alert with all perseverance.

Thirdly, be sober-minded and alert. <u>1 Peter 5:8</u> says "Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour."

This means to be alert and on the watch. Do not put down your guard, rather be vigilant, because the devil is like a roaring lion seeking whom he may devour.

A sober-minded individual is not intoxicated figuratively speaking and is therefore calm under pressure and self-controlled in all areas and rational.

The devil looks for weaknesses, and for a foothold to bring you down. So be alert, sober-minded and watchful.

Lastly, stand firm in your faith. <u>1 Peter 5:9</u> says "Resist him, firm in your faith, knowing that the same kinds of suffering are being experienced by your brotherhood throughout the world."

In the Greek, this presents an image of "Standing up and facing", it implies solidity and rocklike firmness instead of running away.

This firmness must come from faith in Jesus Christ, the one rock and only foundation upon which a Christian should stand. Faith is to have complete trust in Jesus, our Messiah.



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heatherllove I get alot of dreams in my DM's. I reject most of them. 😂 😂 But Priscilla? Home girl hears from the Lord.

Satan has thrown the kitchen sink at me since birth but I'm still standing strong. I am DAMAGE PROOF! I ain't stopping. I'm only going harder! Thank you Jesus!! 🦺 🦺