Spiritual Beings Mar 5-11, 2023

# THE DEMONIC

### BASED ON THE SERMON: "Dealing With Demons"

**THE BIG IDEA**: Evil spirits are old. They can influence and interfere with humans. Evil spirits can take possession of a person who is not inhabited by the Holy Spirit. Their sole purpose is to steal, kill, and destroy. Prepare yourself!

**PRIMER Q**: What comes to your mind when you think of demons? Are there pop culture references that come to mind?

**SERMON RECAP Q**: What stood out to you in this week's sermon? Why did it stand out? How has God used the sermon to challenge and/or change you this week?

**NOTE**: "Once we rediscover how the biblical authors saw the world, we can begin to understand the storyline of the rebellious spiritual beings that are at work behind the human rebellion. This also enriches our understanding of the role of humans as the "image of God" and of God's plan to exalt humanity to rule over a unified Heaven and Earth. It is this exalted role that humanity forfeits in its rebellion and that is recovered in the story of Jesus, the first human who is elevated to rule over Heaven and Earth the way God intended." - The Bible Project

**WATCH**: "The Satan and Demons" by the The Bible Project (<a href="https://youtu.be/CamYtVpoTNk">https://youtu.be/CamYtVpoTNk</a>) is a 6 minute video to help us understand the Satan and demons in the Bible. Take notes as you watch this video on your own or in a group. **Q**: What stood out to you in this video? **Q**: What questions do you have up to this point?

**READ**: (Have different people flip to the following passages to read): Take time to discuss each verse asking questions below.

 James 2:19
 Matthew 10:1
 Matthew 25:41

 2 Peter 2:4
 1 Peter 5:8
 1 Corinthians 10:21

James 4:7 Ephesians 6:11-12 Matthew 12:43-45 Acts 19:13-16

Luke 8:2 1 Corinthians 10:20 1 Timothy 4:1 Revelation 12:7-9

**Q**: What stood out to you in this verse? What does this teach us about demons/evil spirits/fallen angles? Does this passage give us insight for how we can live in response to these evil beings? (Don't rush this discussion time.)

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#### **Sneak Peak**

Read the following passages to prepare for next week:

- Genesis 1:1-3
- John 1:1-5
- Colossians 2:2-6

#### For Bible Nerds

For the next few weeks we'll be camping on the person of God. Who is he? What is he like? How does he operate? And more! If you want to go deeper into this topic checkout this free Bible study with videos, scripture, and questions to ponder.

https://bibleproject.com/ explore/video/god-video/

## **Prayer Requests**

Take prayer requests in your group. Instead of *only* praying for people at your gathering set up a calendar event or reminder on your phone later in the week with prayer details as well.

READ: Let's read Luke 4:1-12.

**Q**: What is the state of Jesus at the time of the temptation? [Look at spiritual and physical state.]

**Q:** What tactics did the devil use to tempt Jesus in his fragile state? [Did you know that the evil beings can quote scripture?]

**Q:** How did Jesus respond to each temptation?

**Q:** What does Jesus' example teach us about resisting temptation from the devil and/or his fallen messengers?

**Q:** What scriptures have helped you overcome temptation in life?

**Q:** Notice how the passage ends in vs12. What does this teach us about the enemy? [See: **1 Peter 5:8-9**]

**READ**: Refer back to the list of scripture on p1 to help inform your responses.

If you or your group have any further questions please text them to 813.444.7170 or email rtirona@thechapelfh.org

**Closing Thoughts:** Taking this week's sermon and bible study into account, what area of faith and doctrine do you feel compelled to study further?

#### **CLOSE IN PRAYER**