

## Satan's Attack Upon The Family

**I. Satan's intent is to destroy marriages and families. This is the primary reason for so much divorce, wife and child abuse, neglect, and killing today.**

1. 1 Cor. 7:4-5

a. What many people do not understand is that Satan is not able to just walk into anyone's home and kill them. We must provide him an open door. This door is opened through sin.

b. Satan's primary tool is TEMPTATION. If he can tempt you to sin then he knows that this opens the door for a curse. The curse causes us to lose our covenant rights of family blessing and protection.

2. Prov. 3:33

a. The Everyday Bible: "The Lord will put a curse on the evil person's house, But he will BLESS THE HOME of people who do what is right."

b. Satan tempts through doubt and deception.

3. Gen. 3:1-13; 4:1-9

a. The man did not protect his wife. He let it all happen. He did not take his responsibility. After his downfall into sin, instead of taking responsibility for his actions, he blames God and his wife. His wife blames the devil.

(1) This was the first family. If Eve was a part of the modern feminists movement this probably would have ended in the first divorce.

b. Cain falls into sin. He is prideful, disobedient, a murderer, and a liar. In other words, he becomes a chip off of the old blockhead.

**II. Some reasons why Satan is determined to destroy marriages and families.**

1. Families represent heaven on earth. Your family is representative of what God has planned for the universal family. Anything that is representative of God is hated by Satan. He knows that he cannot destroy God so he will destroy anything that reflects Him or His desires.

a. Deut. 11:21

2. Marriage is a covenant. For reasons understandable, Satan hates ALL Godly covenant relationships.

a. Mal. 2:14-15

3. God hates divorce. What God HATES, Satan LOVES.

a. Mal. 2:16

4. A husband and wife in harmony with one another have POWER IN PRAYER. All answered prayer is defeat to the kingdom of Satan and he doesn't like that.

a. 1 Pet. 3:7; Matt. 18:18-19

### **III. Dealing with Satan's attacks upon your marriage and family**

1. Look to the atonement of Christ. His blood provides protection over your home WHEN IT IS APPLIED.

a. Exodus 12:21-28

b. Ps. 91:9-10; Ex. 23:25-26

2. Job prayed for his family out of FEAR. This opened the door for Satan to destroy his family.

a. Job 1:4-5, 13-15; 2:7-10

3. Gen. 17:4-5, 15-16.

a. Abraham and Sarah called one another by their new covenant names. They confessed God's Word over one another.

b. We must learn to speak only good things over our spouses in order to see results in our marriage.