

11. God's Word Helps Us

Overcome Satan

We want to consider an important weapon that God has given us, by which we can overcome our spiritual enemy - Satan, and that weapon is His 'Word'.

God's Word is like a seed that brings us to being born again (1 Pet. 1:23). From 1 Peter 2:2 we learn that God's word is like milk that helps us to grow. We also see in Ephesians 6 that God's Word is like a sword - the sword of the spirit with which we can fight against Satan; " ... and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God " (Eph. 6:17). It is a wonderful weapon that God has given us to resist the attacks of Satan.

Many believers are discouraged - do you know why? Because they don't know how to use this sword when Satan comes attacking them with discouragement. Many believers live under condemnation and feelings of guilt. Who gives it to them? Not God! Are you living with feelings of guilt and condemnation? Are you feeling uncertain whether God has accepted you - whether God loves you, whether God has forgiven your sins, whether God still remembers your past against you? These are some of the ways in which Satan harasses the believers. And believers are weighed down, around the world, with guilt which they should not be bearing.

How can they overcome Satan? How can you overcome Satan? Whatever feelings that come to draw you away from God - discouragement, condemnation, guilt feelings - every one of these can be overcome if you can take the Word of God

11. 神的话语帮助我们胜过撒但

我们下面要来思考一下，神给我们重要的武器，使我们可以胜过属灵的敌人——撒但，这个武器，就是祂的“道”（话语）。

神的话语如同一粒种子，使我们重生（彼得前书 1 章 23 节）。我们在彼得前书 2 章 2 节看到，神的话语像奶水一样使我们成长。而在以弗所书第 6 章，我们又看到，神的话语如同利剑——使我们可以胜过撒但的利剑。“……拿着圣灵的宝剑，就是神的道 / 话语。”（以弗所书 6 章 17 节）这是神给我们的对付撒但攻击的绝妙的武器。

有很多基督徒经常有挫败感，你知道这是为什么吗？因为他们不知道当撒但用挫败感攻击他们的时候，该如何利用这把利剑。很多基督徒生活在自我谴责和负罪感之中。这些感觉是谁给他们的？绝不是神给的！你是否活在负罪感和自我谴责之中？你是否感觉不确定神是否接受了你？神是否爱你，是否宽恕了你的罪，祂是否还用你以往的过犯来打击你？这些都是撒但用来骚扰基督徒的方法。尔后很多基督徒变得沮丧，承受着他们根本不需要承受的。

他们该如何胜过撒但？你该如何胜过撒但？无论是哪种情绪，只要它在试图使你远离神——泄气、谴责、负疚感——任何一样，你都可以用神的话语来战胜。比如说，你不确定耶稣基督是否接受了你，或者假如魔鬼对你说“就凭你？耶稣会接受你？耶稣那么圣

as a weapon. For example, supposing you are not sure that Jesus Christ has accepted you; supposing the devil comes to you and says, 'Oh yes, you think Jesus has accepted you? Jesus is far too holy to accept a sinner like you'. What are you going to do when he tells you that? Are you going to argue with him? Let me tell you, you will be defeated.

You can never argue with Satan. He is far too clever for you. You know when Satan tempted Jesus Christ, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God turn these stones into bread" (Mt. 4:3). He questioned Jesus - are you really the son of God? If he could put such a question to Jesus Christ Himself, do you think Satan will not try those questions with you? Of course he will. He will make you doubt whether you are a child of God. How can we overcome it? We need the Word of God. Here is a Word which you could use - Jesus said, "The one who comes to me, I will certainly not cast out" (Jn. 6:37).

When I was a young boy I had asked Jesus to come into my life for many years - not days, not months, but years. I lived in doubt, whether Christ had really accepted me. For all of those years in which I lived in doubt I did not make any spiritual progress in my life, and it is probably like that with you as well. But a day came in my life, over 38 years ago, when I believed this Word and I could say to Satan, 'Jesus has accepted me just as I am, because He has said, "The one who comes to Me I will never cast out."' And I said to the Lord, 'Lord Jesus, I have come to you. From today onwards I believe that you have not cast me out.' It was like dropping an anchor. I have never drifted from that position for 38 years.

I want you take that Word and believe from today, if you have come to Jesus. It doesn't matter if you are the greatest sinner in the world. If you have come to

洁，怎么可能接受像你这么一个罪人？”这时候你怎么办？你打算和魔鬼争辩吗？那样的话，你可就输定了。

你永远也没法和撒但争辩。他比你聪明太多了。你知道，当撒但诱惑耶稣基督的时候说：“如果你是神的儿子，吩咐这些石头变成食物”（马太福音 4 章 3 节）。他在试图质疑耶稣——你真的是神的儿子？如果他都曾试图把这个疑问放进耶稣的头脑里，那你觉得他会不会试图让你产生这个疑问？他一定会的。他会让你怀疑自己到底是不是神的孩子。那我们该如何战胜这个怀疑？我们需要神的话语。下面这一句经文就是你可以用的：耶稣说过“到我这里来的人，我总不丢弃他。”（约翰福音 6 章 37 节）

当我还是个小小伙子的时候，曾经很多年在求告耶稣来到我的生命里——不是几天、几个月，而是好几年。我一直活在疑问里，基督是否真的接受了我。在我困惑的那些年，我属灵的生命没有任何长进，我猜你们其中的很多人可能也是如此。然而 38 年前，有一天我相信了这句话，并且可以对撒但说：“耶稣接受了这样的我，因为他说‘到我这里来的人，我一定不会丢弃他’”。尔后我对主说，“主耶稣，我已经来到了你这里，从今天起，我相信，你一定不会丢弃我。”这就如同抛下了锚一样稳住了。我此后这 38 年再也没有漂走。

如果你也已经来到了耶稣面前，我希望今天起，你也能紧握着并相信这句话。即使你是世上的头号罪人，如果你来到祂面前，对祂说：“我确定你一定不会丢

Him, He says, "I will certainly not cast you out." There is a certainty about it. You don't have to believe the devil's lies anymore. Tell the devil, 'Jesus says He has certainly accepted me.'

Now who are you going to believe from today onwards - Jesus or the devil? That's your choice. If you want to continue to believe the devil, then nobody can help you. But if you will believe the Word of God - take up that sword and the devil will flee from you. And you will never have a doubt again for the rest of your life that Christ has accepted you.

Now some of you may have another problem. You may feel that there are certain sins that you have committed in your past life which were very, very bad - even serious. May be some of you have committed adultery or murder, or it could be any horrible thing. You may feel, well some of the less serious sins God has forgiven you, but some of those horrible, wicked things, which nobody knows but you, does God always remember them when He thinks of you? Is it like that?

You know how it is. Supposing somebody has killed your son, and you are gracious enough to forgive him. Yet every time you see him you will remember that this is the man who killed my son, even if you have forgiven him. Does God look at us like that? That every time He sees us He thinks of us as the one who did all those wicked things twenty years ago, or ten years ago, or last week. What does the Bible say? The answer again is to know the Word of God. Satan will come to you with all these torturing thoughts. **His aim is to keep you far away from God.** You cannot overcome him with arguments or psychology, or any such thing. You have got to quote the Word of God.

弃我。”这是确定的。你不需要再去相信魔鬼的谎言了。去告诉魔鬼：“耶稣说祂一定接受我。”

从今天起，你会选择相信谁？耶稣还是魔鬼？这是你拥有的选择权。如果你愿意继续去相信魔鬼，那没人能帮你。但如果你去相信神的话语——拿起那把利剑让魔鬼从你身边落荒而逃吧。你的余生再也不用怀疑基督是否接受了你。

你们有些人可能还有另外一个问题。可能你以往的有些罪，非常、非常恶劣，甚至是异常严重的。可能是奸淫，甚至谋杀，或别的可怕的罪行。你可能觉得，神会宽恕你一些比较轻的罪，但这些非常可怕，邪恶的事情，除你之外没人知道，神会不会在每次想到你的时候，总是记起这些呢？你会这么想吧？

你知道那是什么感觉。假设有人杀了你的儿子，你宽大地饶恕了他。然而每次在你记起他的时候，总是想着是这个人杀死了自己的儿子，即便你已经原谅了他。神看我们的时候是这样的吗？每次祂看我们都是想，这个人上星期，十年、二十年前，做了那些邪恶事情。《圣经》是怎么说的？答案仍然是“看神是怎么说的”。撒但来到你面前，给你这些非常恼人的想法。**他的目的就是要你远离神。** 争论和心理学之类的，是没法胜过撒但的。你必须要用神的话语。

You know when Jesus was tempted by Satan, what did He say? He only said, 'It is written, God's Word says this.' The second time Satan came to Him with another temptation and Jesus said, 'God's Word says this.' Satan then came to Him quoting a Word of God, but Jesus' answer was, 'But it also says in God's Word, this.' Every single time, in those three temptations in the wilderness, Jesus overcame Satan only by quoting Scripture - no discussion, no argument, nothing. Eve was the one who discussed and argued with Satan and you know what happened to her - she fell.

Jesus never did that. He just quoted the Word of God, and that is what you need to do too. Here is a promise - God says, "I will be merciful to their iniquities and I will remember their sins no more" (Heb. 8:12). Not only 'I will forgive your sins' - that in itself is wonderful - 'but I will not remember your sins anymore against you.' That means, when God looks at me, He does not hold against me any of the sins I have committed in the past; not the ones I committed 40 years ago and not the ones I committed yesterday. If I have confessed my sins, the Bible says that "God is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins; the blood of Jesus cleanses us from all sins."

These are powerful weapons. These Words of God are like swords. We can say the Bible is like an armoury with many swords and you need to take out the appropriate one when the devil comes to you with one or other type of attack. When he reminds you that you have sinned so much in the past, you can say, 'well the blood of Jesus has cleansed me from all sins'. Satan is a great accuser. He seeks to accuse, torment, and harass believers, preventing them from being happy. So many believers go around with long faces. That is not God's will for

你知道当撒但诱惑耶稣的时候，耶稣怎么回答的吗？祂就只是说：“经上记着说 / 神是这么说的……”第二次撒但又来到耶稣身边试探祂说：“经上记着说 / 神说……”撒但开始引用神的话。而耶稣的回答是：“然而，神还说了……”在旷野里的这三次试探，每一次耶稣胜过撒但都是通过引用经文——没有讨论，没有争辩，都没有。夏娃曾是那个和撒但又讨论又争辩的，你们都知道发生了什么，就是夏娃被击垮堕落了。

耶稣从来都不那样做。祂就只是引用神的话，这也是你所唯一需要做的。对于这，有一个许诺——神说：“我要宽恕他们的不义，不再记念他们的罪愆。”（希伯来书 8 章 12 节）不止是“我要宽恕你们的罪”——这本身已经非常好了——“我就不再纪念你们的罪愆”。这也就是说，当神看我们的时候，祂不再由于我们以往的过犯而责怪我们，不为 40 年前的，也不为昨天的。如果我忏悔了我的罪，《圣经》说“神是信实的，是公义的，必要赦免我们的罪，耶稣的宝血洗净了我们一切的不义。”

这些都是强有力的武器。神的这些话就如同宝剑。可以说《圣经》如同一个兵器库，在魔鬼用不同方式来攻击你的时候，你需要用适当的武器。当他提醒你以往犯过了多少罪的时候，你可以告诉他：“耶稣的血已经洗净了我所有一切的罪。”撒但是个厉害的控告者。他寻找各种机会来指责，折磨和骚扰信徒，防止他们得到喜悦。有好多好多的信徒，走到哪都拉长着一张脸。那不是神对你的愿望，我的朋友。你觉得神会愿意你走哪都拉长着一张脸吗？这样的你怎么可能把任何人引向基督？那么你该如何得到喜悦呢？不要指望你能通过心理学去努力建立喜悦。你必须知道你

you, my friend. Do you think God wants you to go around in this world with a long face? How can you ever draw anyone to Christ if you go around with a long face? How can you be happy? You can't psychologically work up happiness, can you? You must know that your sins are forgiven; you have been accepted by Christ. Not only that, but God will not remember your sins anymore.

Now I want to lead you one step further. It is not only that God forgives our sin; it is not only that He doesn't remember our sins anymore, but He does something more. There is a word called 'justified' used in Romans - that God has justified us. It says, "Having been justified by faith" (Rom. 5:1). Do you know what justified means? It means 'declared righteous'. That means God has declared you to be a righteous person. Now let's use an illustration: supposing I have been accused of a crime, and I have been taken to court. The judge says, 'okay, you are forgiven.' I am happy, because I come out of the court forgiven, but I still hang my head in shame, because I am accused of a terrible crime. But on the other hand, if the judge says, 'Well, after considering all the evidence I don't believe you are guilty at all. There is no need to be forgiven, you are righteous. You can go home.' Righteous! Then I come out of the court, not just as a forgiven criminal, but as one with my head lifted up. This is the meaning of justification. It is more than forgiveness and many Christians haven't understood it.

God not only forgives, He justifies. He declares me righteous. In other words, He clothes me with the righteousness of Christ. He puts the goodness of Christ over me as my dress. Can you think of it - the goodness of Christ clothing you? How do you look when you are clothed with the goodness of Christ? I will tell you: Perfect. Do you believe it? Oh that is

的罪已经被宽恕了。基督已经接纳了你。不止是这样，神根本不去记你以往的过犯。

现在我想要带你更进一步。神不止宽恕了我们的罪；不止是祂不再记着我们的罪，祂还另外做了一些事。在罗马书里有一个词叫做“称义”——神称我们为义。上面说我们“因信称义”（罗马书5章1节）。你明白“称义”是什么意思吗？那意思是“被宣布是公义的”。是说神宣布你是一个义人了。下面让我们来打个比方：假设我曾在法庭上被宣布有罪。法官说：“好了，你被原谅了。”我会很高兴，因为我获得了宽恕离开了法庭，但是我仍然会因为羞耻感耷拉着脑袋，因为我曾经犯了非常可怕的罪行。可是如果法官说：“好了，在看过一切证据之后，我相信你是完全无罪的。不需要宽恕，因为你的正直公义的。你可以回家了。”正直公义！那时我离开法庭，不是一个被饶恕的犯人，而是可以抬头挺胸了。这就是“称义”的意思。是超过宽恕的，只是很多基督徒还不明白。

然而，神不止宽恕了我们，还称我们为义。祂称我为义。换句话说，祂用基督的义来包裹了我。祂把基督的良善给我做外衣。你能想象吗？基督的良善穿戴给你。当你穿着基督的极善，你看起来是什么样子的？我可以告诉你：你看起来是完美的。你相信吗？对了，问题就出在这，你不相信！那样就永远没法为你实现。经上说的是，因信称义。你相信神用基督的良

where the problem lies, you don't believe it! Then it will never be true for you. It says justified by faith. Do you believe God puts the goodness of Christ over you? Thank Him for it and resist Satan with this weapon of the Word of God. Say, 'I have been accepted by Christ.' Say it right now, 'I have been accepted, I have been forgiven. God does not remember my past against me anymore. I have been justified. I am a righteous person clothed with the goodness of Christ over my life. I am just as precious to God as Jesus Himself is.

These are the weapons by which Satan will flee from us.

善把你完全的覆盖了吗？感谢祂为我们做的这一切，并让我们可以用祂的话语做武器来对抗撒但。请说：“我接受了基督。”现在就来说：“我已经接受了基督，我已经被宽恕。神不再记着我以往的过犯。我已经被称为义了。我的生命披戴着基督的良善。对神而言，我和耶稣一样珍贵。”

这，就是可以让撒但落荒而逃的武器。