

Genesis 15:7-11

⁷ Then the LORD said to him, “I am the LORD, who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldeans to give you this land so that you will take possession of it.” ⁸ Abram asked, “Almighty LORD, how can I be certain that I will take possession of it?” ⁹ He answered Abram, “Bring me a three-year-old heifer, a three-year-old female goat, a three-year-old ram, a mourning dove, and a pigeon.” ¹⁰ So Abram brought all these animals to him. He cut each of them in half and laid each half opposite the other. However, he did not cut the birds in half. ¹¹ When birds of prey came down upon the carcasses, Abram drove them away.

From the very beginning, Satan has been trying to steal the promises that God has made to His children! Here we learn of the Lord making a promise or covenant to Abraham, and then we see Abraham struggling to believe all that God had promised him. So the Lord in His infinite mercy, tells Abraham to slaughter, and prepare a sacrifice that will be pleasing to our God. Only then to have the birds of prey seek to come in and steal and rob any possibility or hope of Abraham receiving the promises made to Him by God. The enemy has no new tricks! He seeks to come into each of our lives to steal the sacrifices, the promises, and even our hope and faith in the Lord. Satan knows that if he can get in the door at the beginning, then he has a much greater likelihood of success; than if we are grounded in the process.

I am convinced that the church has lost its understanding of Satan's purpose here on planet earth. His number one goal is to take as many humans to hell with him, as possible. His mission statement is to rob, kill, and destroy! The humans that he most loathes and despises are the one who have Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior for all of eternity. Never forget, that if you are 'born again', then you are promised the intimacy and relationship that Lucifer once had with the Trinity. Never again will he have what we are promised to share for all of time; and he is very aware of it. Satan also has a very real ego problem! He clearly sees that man, or living dust, has been promised something more personal and intimate, that even he had known as the chief or archangel over heaven. We must never let our guard down when it comes to this deceptive foe; because he never stops scheming to destroy our lives, and our families. If we had an enemy at our doors wanting to come into our homes; would we just let them in? Yet that is exactly what many Christians are doing by bringing sexual immorality, drugs, pornography, music that is full of graphic violence and sex into their homes. Many believers are making it very easy for Satan to bring confusion, defeat, and failure into their lives. Instead of believing the promises that God has made to each of us in His Word, we simply latch on to the lies that Satan is promoting. Our God has faithfully provided everything that we need to prosper and succeed here today; but the question is, "Do we really believe that"? Daily I can see the intensity of the battle growing stronger and stronger, and I see the church facing this war as if it was a minor disagreement or misunderstanding. Satan is the master terrorist of all times, and he will never be satisfied until he has you and your family with him in the lake of fire for all of eternity. Will you do your part? I exhort you to take a stand, and stop giving the enemy permission into your lives and your homes. Repent from your sins, and allow the Lord to sweep clean your heart and your mind.