

## **Taking Darkness to Court**

In order to deal more appropriately and effectively with the intrusion and harassment of spiritual evil there are several fundamental principles we need to pay attention:

First and foremost, we must focus on our relationship with Jesus, not the intrusion of spiritual evil. The only authority we have concerning Darkness comes from Jesus.

Spiritual evil hopes we are uninformed and unaware of their activity and our spiritual options concerning their activity. If we become aware, they hope we will either be freaked out or fascinated, making assumptions and decisions based on partial or inaccurate information.

Every day spiritual evil lies to us (Gen 3:1), tempts us (1 Thess. 3:5), and looks for ways to deceive us (2 Cor. 2:11). This should be understood as a typical, routine day (1 Peter 5:6-8).

Spiritual evil must operate according to the rules set in place by Most High God. One of those rules is they do not have the authority to make us do anything – they need our cooperation. Their rights come through sin, past and present – personal and generational.

When we choose to sin, spiritual evil now has a right to intrude and harass us - this is part of our reaping the bitter fruit of having our own way and experience the full terror of the pathway we have chosen (Prov. 1: 29-33, Gal. 6:7)

God is a just God, so he must take action concerning sin. Darkness uses this to their advantage and literally goes to court, accusing us before God day and night (Rev. 12).

Therefore, daily and continually, we must agree with what God says about our sin and selfishness (confess); take immediate action to remove the sin (repent); choose to forgive; and intention to live as a child of the King (seek God with our whole heart). If we do not, we will be powerless to defy the work of Darkness and prosecute them in court.

While condemnation no longer carries weight in the Supreme Court of Heaven before Holy God as a result of our confession and repentance, unless we accept forgiveness from God and extend forgiveness to ourselves and others, Darkness will continue to effectively leverage it with us.

A basic misunderstanding is that we are to battle spiritual evil. This is exactly what they want. I am not saying we never engage them. I am saying there is an important step that we miss. Before we engage them in conflict, we are to take them to the Supreme Court of Heaven to be prosecuted by Most High God Himself.

Dealing with Darkness is literally a court case.  
Spiritual evil must do whatever God demands of them.