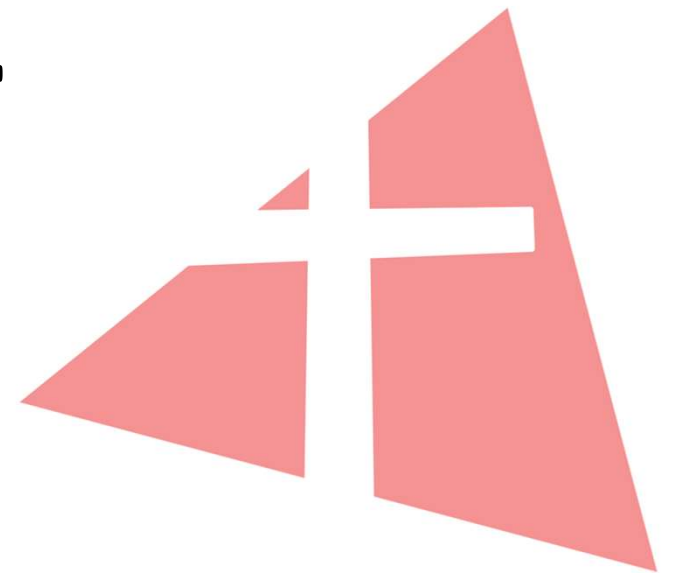


Spiritual Warfare: Satan's (Lack of) Power

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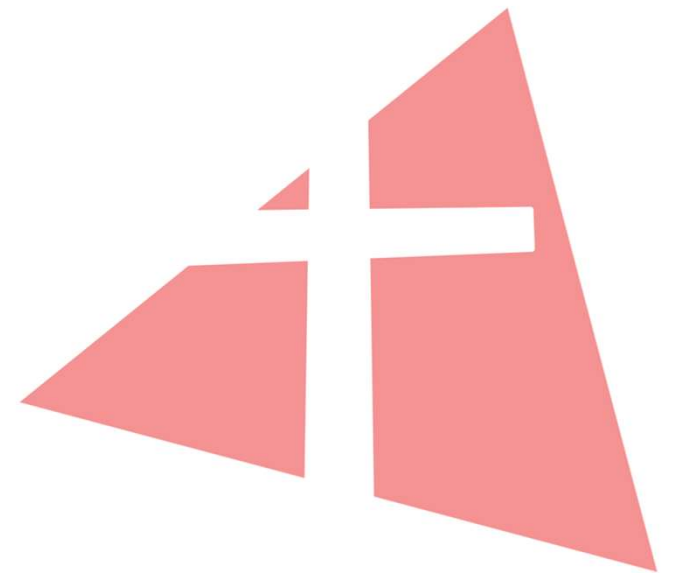
Our Series

- **Spiritual Warfare**

- Jesus and satan have different plans for our lives

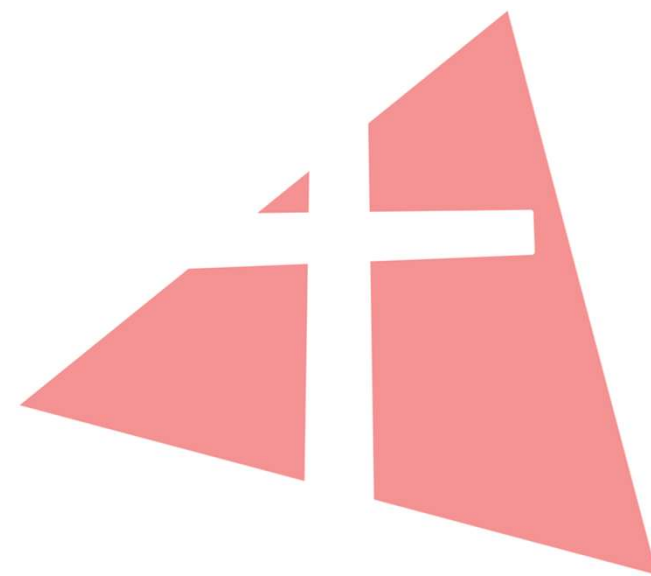
We support one or the other (whether we know it or not)

- **Satan's Tactics in the Garden of Eden**



Today's Focus

- Satan's (Lack of) Power

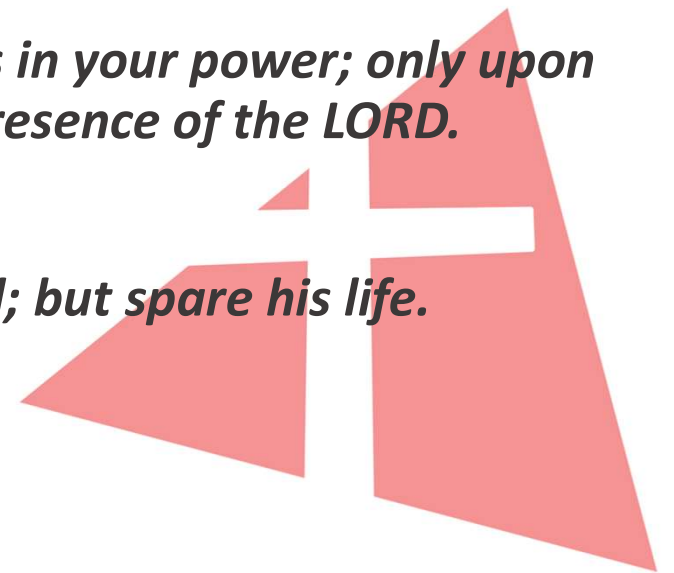


Satan's Limits

- Satan can do nothing unless God allows him to

Job 1:12 And the LORD said unto Satan, Behold, all that he has is in your power; only upon himself put not forth your hand. So Satan went forth from the presence of the LORD.

Job 2:6 And the LORD said unto Satan, Behold, he is in your hand; but spare his life.



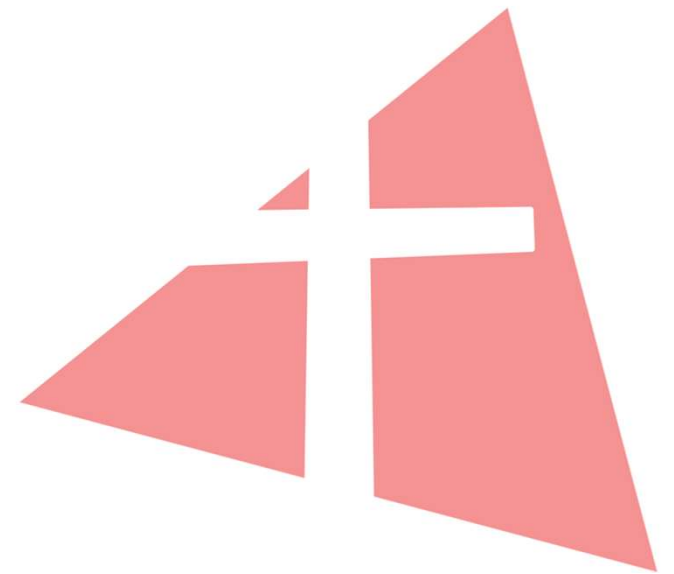
God is in Control!

1 Corinthians 10:13 There has no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted above that you are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that you may be able to bear it.



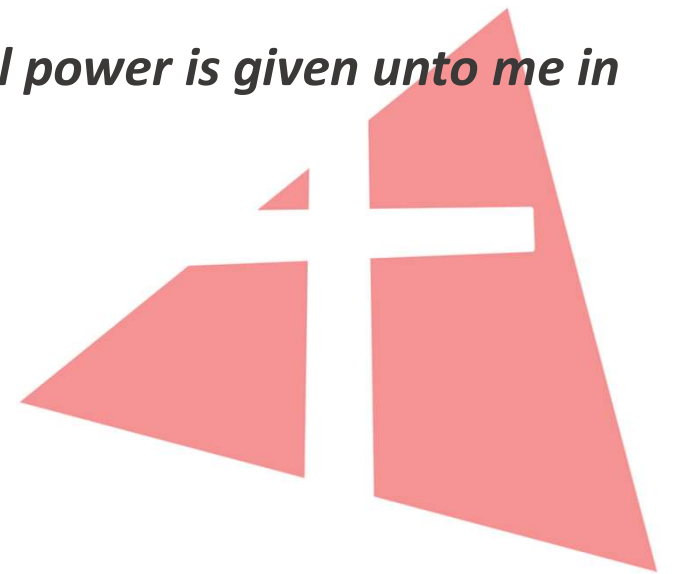
Satan's Limits

- **Satan can not overpower God**



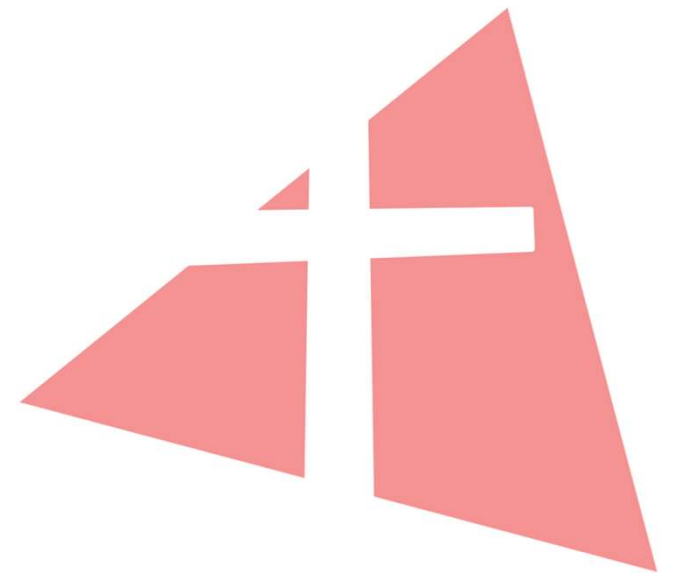
Jesus' Power

Matthew 28:18 And Jesus came and spoke unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.

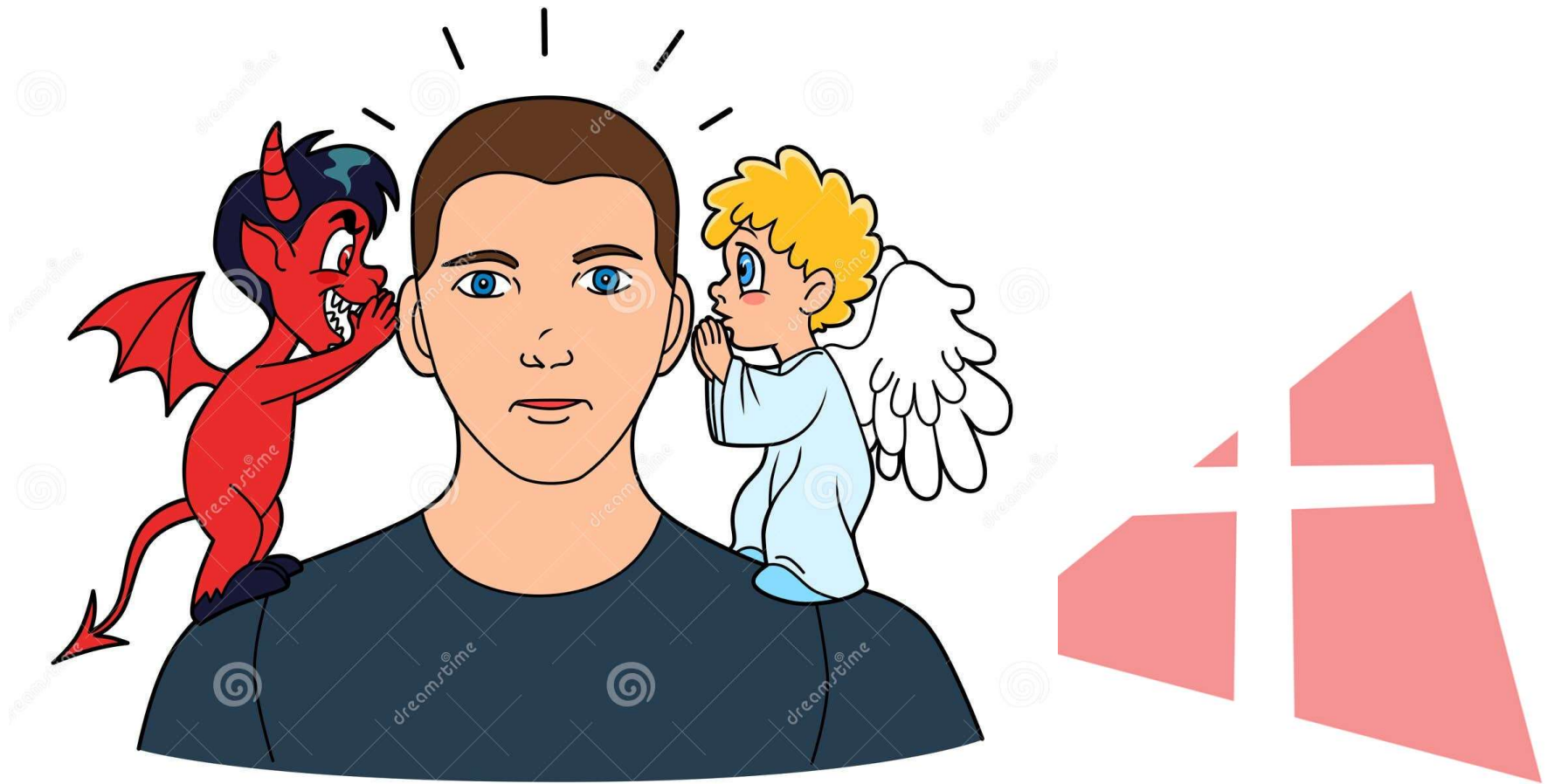


What satan CAN do

- Satan can tempt us to go against God's will!
- But satan can NOT make us do anything

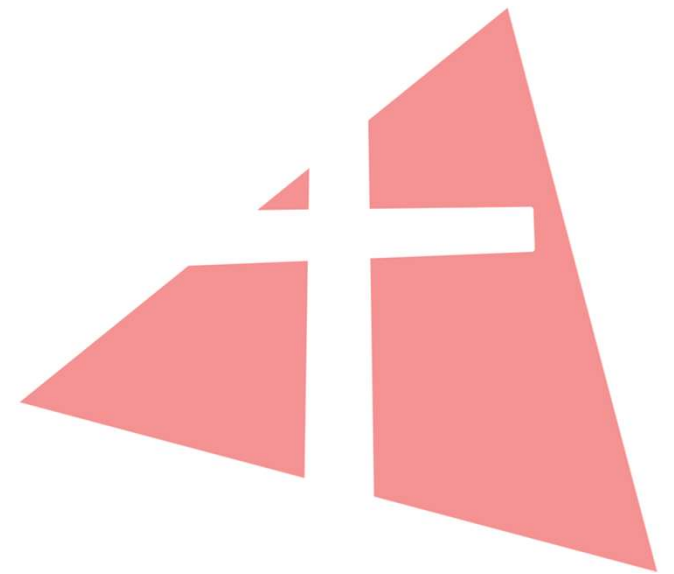


Our Lives



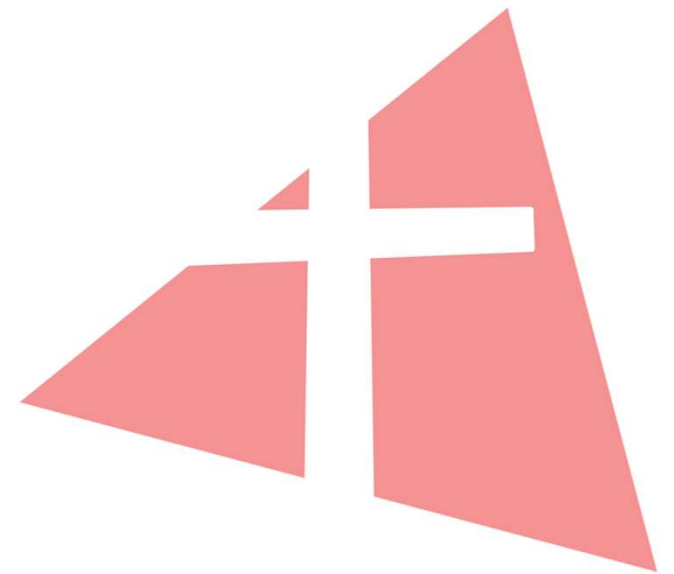
Satan's Common Temptations

- Keeping us away from spending time with God
- Keeping us away from God's People



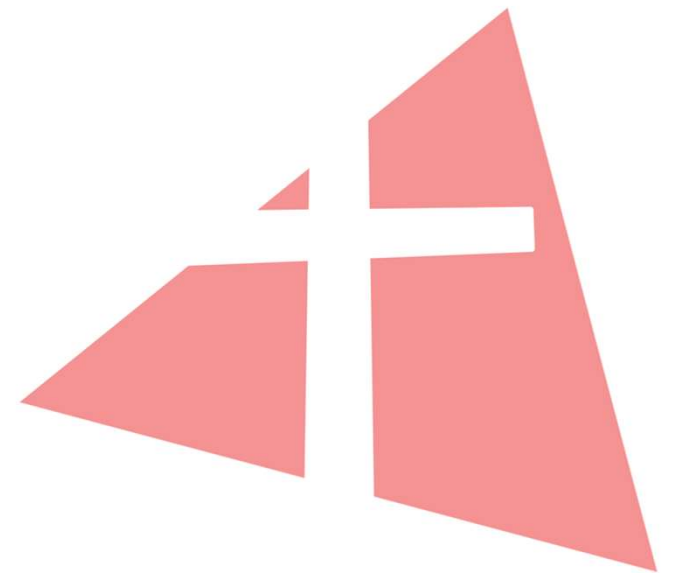
Satan's Common Temptations

- **Distractions/Desire for worldly things**



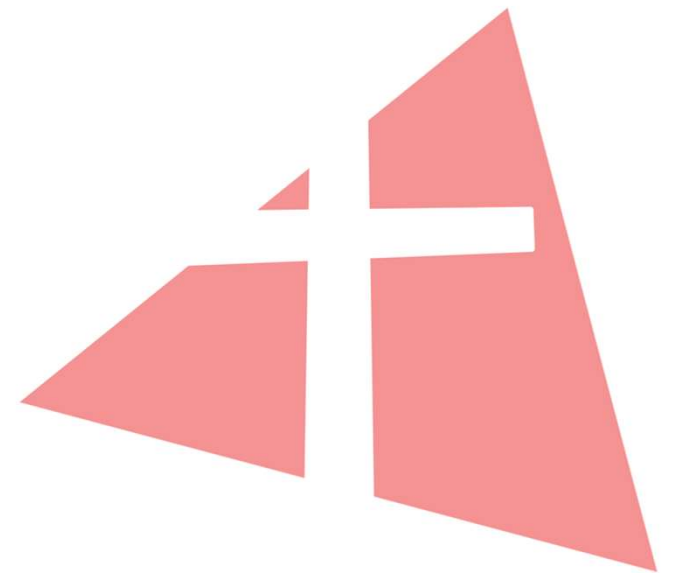
Satan's Common Temptations

- Fear



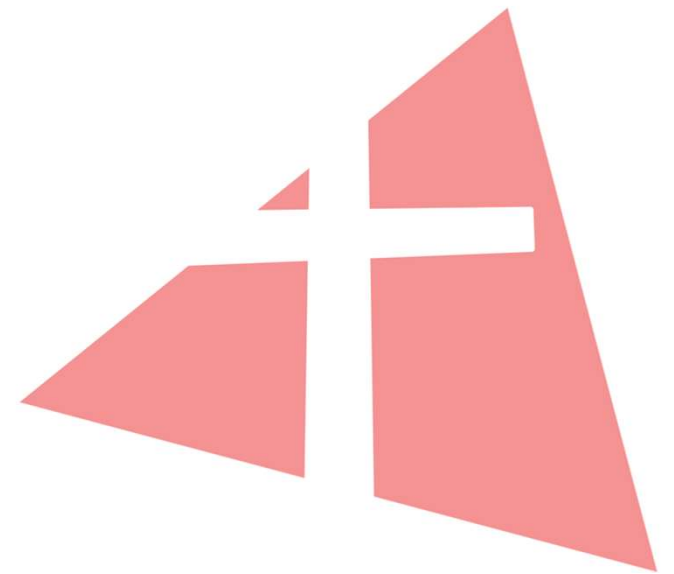
Satan's Common Temptations

- Sin



Satan's Common Temptations

- Discouragements



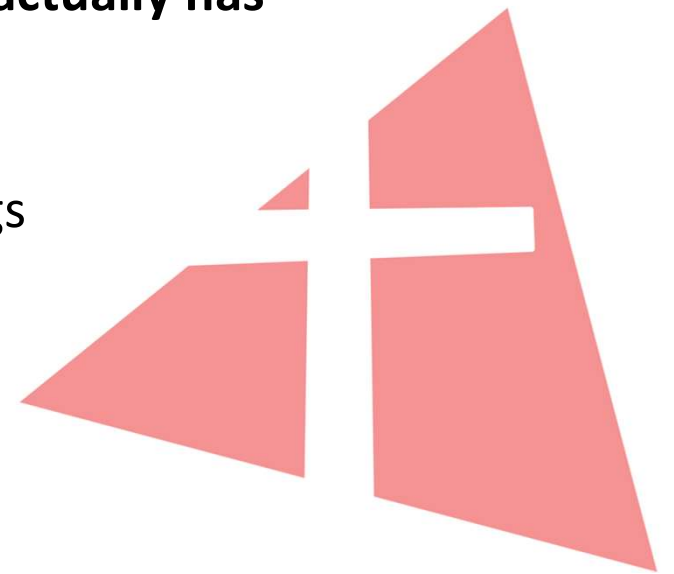
Just to be clear

- **Non-Christians have no power to resist satan**
- **That's why satan often uses non-Christians to get us in difficult situations**



My Journey

- **For a long time, I believed satan to have more power than he actually has**
 - I accidentally gave him more control over my life
 - I lived in fear
 - I believed that “there’s nothing I can do” about certain things



In Conclusion

- **Satan has no authority over us any longer**
- **But now he lies to us, trying to reach his goals**
- **Now it's our decision whether we allow satan to influence our lives or whether we resist his temptations**

