



**KINGDOM equipping ministries**

**Pastor Corey's Home Study Notes**

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(Hebrews 13:8)

**"The Most Deadliest Weapon Used Against You..."**

- The Picture of satan is different in the Bible than in the world....he is not a comical creature with red underwear and horns...**but an Adversary who is clever and dangerous!**
- **satan knows your weaknesses and uses them against you...**
- (1Peter 5:8-9)
- The Bible doesn't talk as much about the power of satan as it does about his extreme subtlety, trickery, and deceptiveness.
- Ephesians 6:12 tells us that he likes to fight you in the dark where you are easily attacked and deceived...

**satan's Arsenal:**

- His weapons are psychological - Fear, Doubt, Anger, Worry, etc...
- The Weapon with the deadliest force.....Low Self- Esteem!
- ...this is the feeling of Inferiority, Inadequacy, and Low Self Worth!
- These psychological weapons Shackle Christians in spite of all their wonderful spiritual experiences...

**The Big Four of Low Self- Esteem:**

- There are four ways that satan uses this emotional and psychological weapon to **destroy** you!

1. It paralyzes your potential.

- (Matthew 25:14-30)
- The man with the one talent was immobilized by feelings of Doubt, Fear, and Inadequacy.
- Because he was afraid, he did not invest his talent, but **buried** it and played it safe...
- His life was a frozen asset....frozen by Fear of the Master, Fear of failure, Fear of comparison to the other two, Fear of taking a risk.
- He did what a lot of Christians do with Low Self -Esteem....NOTHING!...that's what satan wants!

## 2. It destroys your dreams

- We can't live IN or On our Dreams, but we can live BY them!
- Your dreams are a result of the promise of the Holy Spirit (Acts 2:17)
- The Holy Spirit helps us to dream Bold Dreams...
- You cannot live out a bold dream with Low self -esteem...you will ALWAYS fall short!
- (Proverbs 29:18) says, where there is no Vision, the people perish...a dream is a vision...
- ...if you have the wrong vision, you have the wrong dream...the Wrong dream is not of God...And what's not of God will seek to destroy you and your Godly Dreams!
- (Numbers 13:23, 30-33) - low self esteem = grasshopper mentality. (Numbers 14:8-9, 24)
- When you know God is with you, It's hard to have Low Self Esteem issues!

## 3. It ruins your relationships with God and others.

- When you consider yourself inferior and worthless, you can begin to think that God does not love you...which can lead to issues in your relationship with Him.
- Once you become critical of the Design, you will become resentful toward the designer...
- When you de-value you, you don't have anything to give to others...
- ...people don't want to be around you....Eore mentality (from Pooh)

## 4. It sabotages your service

- People with low self esteem will always come up with excuses when asked to do something in the Body of Christ...
- ...Teach Sunday school? "I have trouble standing up in front of people."
- ...Go out in the community and share the Gospel? "I am afraid about confronting people with the Gospel."
- ...Sing on the praise team? "Mary has a much better voice than mine, you should ask her!"
- ...Give your testimony? "I don't think people really care about what I have to say."
- (1 Corinthians 1:26-31) - God uses whom He chooses!
- Low self esteem actually Robs God of opportunities to show off His power and ability through your weaknesses. (2 Corinthians 12:9).
- Glory in your weaknesses so the Strength and Grace of God can be seen!

(1 Peter 5:8-10)

...Pray.....Amen!