

LION
ALERT
I PETER
5:8-9
Part 2





TWO MORE THINGS WE NEED TO KNOW ABOUT THIS LION

III. His Territory—*Your Enemy Is Active*

A. Satan has access to the entire world geographically,
but his focus of attack is on believers specifically

B. Satan is the ruler of this world

1. John 12:31

2. God allows Satan certain liberties and freedoms

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3. Job 1:6-7

4. Satan has access to heaven and earth

5. Satan is not in hell and never has been; he will one day

6. When he gets there, he will not be in charge; he will be
in chains

7. We have an invisible army in a visible world

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8. The Devil has four principle targets

9. Jesus Christ

a. Genesis 3:15

b. Revelation 12:4

c. He is always against the gospel and Jesus

d. Holy angels

e. Daniel 10

f. Revelation 12:7

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- g. The nation of Israel—the object of God's plan
- h. Believers

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i. What are his tactics?

1. *Devil* means slanderer

Slander Defined

**The action or crime of making a
False statement damaging to a
Person's reputation**

III. His Territory—*Your Enemy Is Active*

i. What are his tactics?

a. Revelation 12:10

¹⁰ Then I heard a loud voice in heaven, saying,

“Now the salvation, and the power, and the kingdom of our God and the authority of His Christ have come, for the accuser of our brethren has been thrown down, he who accuses them before our God day and night.

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i. What are his tactics?

b. He attacks us by accusation

c. Persecution

IV. His Frailty—*Your Enemy Must Be Engaged*

A. Your Enemy cannot be ignored; you have to engage
him

B. The Devil is never too busy to rock the cradle of a
sleeping saint

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C. Our Inner Weaponry

1. It begins in the mind and has an outworking in your life
 2. "Be sober" (v. 8)
 - a. Be self-controlled and disciplined; think clearly
 - b. Don't allow yourself to be intoxicated by the amusements of this world
 - c. The battle always begins in the mind; Proverbs 23:7

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- d. "Be vigilant" (v. 8)
- e. Be alert; be watchful
- f. Matthew 26:36-45
- g. Watch out for attacks in weak areas

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h. Our Outer Weaponry

1. Be resolute (see v. 9)

a. James 4:7

b. In *the* faith—the truth embodied in the Scripture

c. Jude 1:3

d. Matthew 4:1-10; Luke 4:1-12

e. Christians need to know their Bibles

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f. Be together

g. Second person plural; Peter wrote to a group of
people

h. If you think you can live the Christian life by
yourself, you're dead meat

i. We need the herd

V. Closing Thoughts

A. As brutal a lion the Enemy is, he's only a second-rate lion

B. Jesus is called the lion of the tribe of Judah

1. Revelation 5:5

2. C.S. Lewis' *Chronicles of Narnia*

3. Amos 1:2

4. The true lion-king roared from Zion, "It is finished!"
(study John 19:30)

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5. One day, Satan is going to be fired eternally
(study Rev. 20:10)

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6. I John 4:1-4

What was from the beginning, what we have heard,
what we have seen with our eyes, what we have
looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the
Word of Life

V. Closing Thoughts

D. I John 4:1-4

² and the life was manifested, and we have seen and testify and proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and was manifested to us

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³ what we have seen and heard we proclaim to you also, so that you too may have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the Father, and with His Son Jesus Christ. ⁴ These things we write, so that our joy may be made complete.