

Stop Blaming Satan



A long time ago, I was praying and asking God to stop the devil from interfering with my life. I blamed the devil for this and that, and God finally said, "Stop blaming the devil for your transgressions." We like to blame the devil for the problems in our lives because it is easier to blame him than to admit that we are causing them.

Satan is not Omnipotent!

The term "omnipotent" refers to having unlimited power and authority. The devil cannot force you to do anything you do not want to do. He has no authority over you. He can tempt you but will be powerless if you don't entertain temptation.

Jeremiah 32:17 (KJV): Ah Lord God! behold, thou hast made the heaven and the earth by thy great power and stretched out arm, and there is nothing too hard for thee.

Jeremiah tells us that nothing is too hard for God. That means that no matter what the devil may throw our way, we have an omnipotent God. He is greater and more powerful than any temptation.

Satan is not Omnipresent!

The term "omnipresent" signifies being present everywhere at the same time.

Job 2:1-2 (KJV): Again, there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the Lord, and Satan came also among them to present himself before the Lord. And the Lord said unto Satan, From whence comest thou? And Satan answered the Lord, and said, From going to and fro in the earth, and from walking up and down in it.

In Job, we learn that Satan has to physically go to different places. He cannot be in all places at once, unlike God, who is omnipresent. It is very doubtful that Satan is personally involved in your trials and tribulations. He has a whole army of fallen angels to do that for him. Satan is more concerned with the governments of this world and world leaders than with people like you and me.

Satan is not Omniscient! (Om Nish int)

The term "omniscient" refers to having complete or unlimited knowledge and understanding.

While Satan has a powerful intellect and knows many things, he does not possess the omniscient, all-knowing nature that belongs solely to God. God sees all, understands all, and knows all. He sees into every heart and hears every thought. He knows our past, present, and future. Satan can only observe and deceive based on his perceptions. Because Satan is not omniscient, he can influence and tempt us, but acting on those influences is our choice.

Take Responsibility for Your Actions

Instead of blaming Satan for our mistakes, problems, and transgressions, we must take responsibility for our actions and choices. When we do, we Grow in God. Let's stop giving Satan more credit than he deserves. Let's trust in God's omnipotence, omnipresence, and omniscience. With His help, we can overcome any temptation or trial.