Satan Will steal you're blessing, if you let him.

<u>John 10:10</u> The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.

There are several ways to be separated from the blessings of God:

1/Especially if you get discouraged with your job or a loved one. Satan will whisper something like: Have a smoke it will calm your nerves or have a drink and calm down, you can quit after this is all over. Or they are so SELF righteous who do they think they are to judge me after all the bible does say. JUDGE NOT.

IF you swallow his lies instead of combating him with scripture you are ignorant of the scriptures and are giving him permission to lie and afflict you. The Lord cannot and will not go against your will, after all, YOU gave Satan permission by listening to him instead of rebuking or resisting him.

<u>James 4:7</u> Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.

2/By refusing to here the word of God either by going to church, bible studies, TV or tape ministry. The bible says that

Romans 10:17 So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

Romans 10:14 How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher?

Now I don't know if there listening to Satan or the flesh, either way it is stubbornness which in turn is rebellion against God.

I always say that God has taught me and in reality it was but most of it has been through the foolishness of preaching. Over the last several years all you hear from most denominations is an ear tickling watered down version of the Gospel. There are several good ministries on television yet, and to name a few, there is Mark Hughes, John & Matthew Hagee, Joyce Meyers and Andrew Wommack.

Three or four years ago, I set my face to seek the Lord and said to him: in the 70s and 80s you taught me so much, and there was a lot I didn't fully understand so I put a lot of what you taught me up on the shelf.

Would you please reveal to my understanding the full meaning of what you showed me those years ago? (as I felt I was becoming stagnant) I had never heard of Andrew Wommack before, When a friend said he was on TV and that I should watch some of his teachings.

I tuned him in and he was just starting a four week DVD series on Sword of the Spirit, a condensed version of 15 of his teaching books. I was amazed, because most his teaching was exactly what the Lord taught me back in the 70s. To which I was ridiculed for sharing across the pulpit by the religious leaders. But I new God showed me so I was persistent. It wasn't till now that I heard somebody else share the same message. As I continued to listen, the things I had put up on a shelf, he brought down and expounded on them. God turned the lights on in my soul and they became crystal clear. I ordered several of his DVD series in anticipation of sharing them with others. So they could grow as well, he teaches in such a simple and detailed way that (as he says) if it doesn't lite a fire in you, then your'e wood is wet.

There are a few that have listened to every series of his I have and I can see the growth in their spiritual walk but the majority will start to watch but then quit and bring them back and say it is not for them. If you are denominationalized I can understand it because if you want to grow in Christ, you have to get out of the box (comfort zone) and trust Gods word.

So you see, what I'm saying is that myself and the others would never have been enlightened if we refused to listen to others teach.

## 3/By being carnal

Carnal does not mean you are a sinner or demon oppressed, it simply means you use your five natural senses to figure things out or govern how you come up with your ideas.

Romans 8:6 For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace.

You see, what it boils down to is, if you have an intimate love relationship with Jesus you will not make excuses, rather you'll keep his commandments.

Ask Jesus what Love is.

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