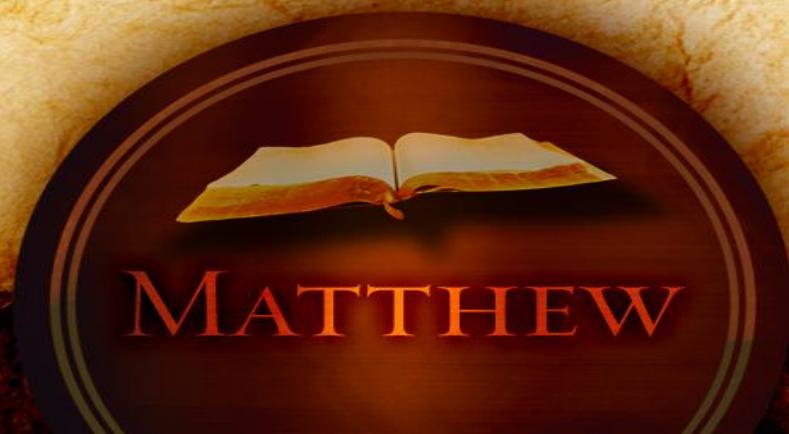




# Matthew 8:28-34

A Prelude: Demons





## How do they attack?

1. Physically
2. Mentally (through suggestion)
3. Theologically
4. Externally
5. Internally



# Philippian 3:12~14

“Not that I have already obtained it or have already become perfect, but I press on so that I may lay hold of that for which also I was laid hold of by Christ Jesus. Brothers, I do not consider myself as having laid hold of it yet, but one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and reaching forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.”



Ps. 103:12

“As far as the east is from the west, So far has  
He removed our transgressions from us.”



Isaiah 1:18 “Come now, and let us reason together,” Says Yahweh, “Though your sins are as scarlet, They will be as white as snow; Though they are red like crimson, They will be like wool.”

Isaiah 43:25 “I, even I, am the one who wipes out your transgressions for My own sake, And I will not remember your sins.”



## 1 Tim. 4:1

“But the Spirit explicitly says that in later times some will fall away from the faith, paying attention to deceitful spirits and doctrines of demons..”



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## 1 Tim. 4:15

“Take pains with these things; be absorbed in them, so that your progress will be evident to all. Pay close attention to yourself and to your teaching; persevere in these things, for as you do this you will save both yourself and those who hear you.”



## 2 Tim. 2:15-18

“Be diligent to present yourself approved to God as a workman who does not need to be ashamed, accurately handling the word of truth. But avoid godless and empty chatter, for it will lead to further ungodliness, and their word will spread like gangrene. Among them are Hymenaeus and Philetus, who have gone astray from the truth saying that the resurrection has already taken place, and they upset the faith of some.”



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**Question:** Can a Christian be possessed?

**Answer:** No!

**You belong to Christ,** you're his sheep, he's not going to allow it.

- ✓ John 10:9-14
- ✓ John 10:27-29



**Question:** Can a Christian be possessed?

**Answer:** No!

You are already indwelt by the Holy Spirit, NO DEMON, not even Satan himself can overpower Him. NOT POSSIBLE!

- ✓ 1 Cor. 3:16 “Do you not know that you are a sanctuary of God and that the Spirit of God dwells in you?”
- ✓ 1 Cor. 6:19 “Or do you not know that your body is a sanctuary of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and that you are not your own? For you were bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body.”



## Ephesians 1:13-14

“In Him, you also, after listening to the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation—having also believed, you were sealed in Him with the Holy Spirit of promise, who is given as a pledge of our inheritance, unto the redemption of God’s own possession, to the praise of His glory.”



Question: Do they know the future?

Answer: No!

God alone knows the future, for He ordains it (Isaiah 46:10)



Question: Can they read our minds?

Answer: No!

Only God can read our minds and knows our hearts (Deut. 29:29; Daniel 2:27-28; Romans 8:26-27)



**Question:** Is all evil and sin from Satan and demons?

**Answer:** No.

They can influence us, but people are held responsible for their own sin.



Question: Should we be casting out demons?

Answer: No

We should be leading people to Christ through the Gospel!