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## “Who’s This Devil Guy Anyway?”

**Memory Verse:** ...do not give the devil a foothold.  
Ephesians 4:27

**Lesson Overview:** This lesson is designed to teach students who their enemy is. The lesson focuses on the true enemies of God--the Devil and his band of demons. By the end of this lesson, the students should have a clear picture of what Satan is, his weaknesses, and limitations. They should also understand that he is a power not to be toyed with.

**Requirements for the lesson:** A footstool and a chair.

**Object Lessons and Lead-in to the Lesson:**

**“Great Living Room Furniture!”** Begin by giving a brief account of the story of Job. Emphasize that Job was a believer, and that Satan couldn’t touch him because of God’s protection. God allowed Satan to torment Job, even though Job was a blameless man in every way. Why? Because he wanted to make Job even better! *Emphasize* that in the end, God returned everything that Satan took away several times over. Job lost nothing.

Next, demonstrate how God makes your enemies a footstool at your feet. Here’s how it relates:

1. **Enemies are literally under your feet.** In fact, they make great living room furniture. They have to obey you—*if* you belong to Jesus. Jesus said that He put our enemies under our feet and that He made them like this footstool. How cool is that!

2. **Enemies can’t go anywhere.** They’re powerless to move because your “Peace Shoes” hold them there (Shoes of the Gospel of Peace – Eph 6). We have what’s called the Holy Armor of God. This is our protection so we can fight against the enemy.

3. **They're easy to topple over with the power of God.** God has given us mighty weapons to fight the enemy with. His Word (the Bible) is like a very sharp sword. We can use it against the Devil and all his silly little demons.

4. **They actually help you--like the stool does** (They keep you on the right track). We have to obey God, or we do not have his protection. Just like Job, we will lose it. But when we turn back to God, he will always give it back—even better than before.

5. **The stool is soft--like your enemies.** The devil and his demons cannot stand up to the awesome power of God. They have to bow down before Him. They are weaklings compared to God. Christians have the power of God in their lives, and these enemies have to answer to us. We control them: they do not control us.

6. **BUT, be careful.** If you stand on them without paying attention to what you're doing, they'll spill you! Lion tamers control the lions at the circus; however, they don't turn their back on them for a minute. They're still wild animals, and they're still mean. It's the same way with the demons. If you play with fire, then you're going to get burned. Therefore, we don't take them lightly.

# The Lesson:

DO THE OBJECT LESSON: ***“Great Living Room Furniture!”***

READ: Perhaps a child in the class would like to read this scripture:

Isaiah 14:12-17

12 How you have fallen from heaven, O morning star, son of the dawn! You have been cast down to the earth, you who once laid low the nations!

13 You said in your heart, "I will ascend to heaven; I will raise my throne above the stars of God; I will sit enthroned on the mount of assembly, on the utmost heights of the sacred mountain.

14 I will ascend above the tops of the clouds; I will make myself like the Most High."

15 But you are brought down to the grave, to the depths of the pit.

16 Those who see you stare at you, they ponder your fate: "Is this the man who shook the earth and made kingdoms tremble,

17 the man who made the world a desert, who overthrew its cities and would not let his captives go home?"

Explain this passage: These verses tell us about how the Devil (O morning star) and about the power he had. The Devil decided that he wanted heaven for himself, and said the five things that he thought he could become (the "I wills"). The worst one is when he says, "I will be like the Most High (God). So, God tossed him out on his ear, and took all the devil's power away. When Christians finally see the devil, they will all laugh at him and say, "This is the guy we were afraid of?" "He's a little wimp!"

1. Who Is The Devil?

Lots of people think of the Devil in a lot of different ways.

**QUESTION:** What do you think he looks like?

A. Fallen Angel

Some people say he's got horns and a pointy tail, but that's not it at all. He is really a fallen angel. He was the most beautiful creature in heaven.

B. Wanted To Take Over Heaven

**QUESTION:** How do you think he got to be such a bad guy?

He wanted to rule heaven: he wanted to be king! He was second in command to God in heaven when he was doing right. Back then, he was in charge of God's music. Then one day, he decided he didn't need God anymore, and that He could be the boss.

**QUESTION:** Do you know what the devil's name was when he was in heaven with god?

Lucifer, and God called him his morning star.

C. Ruler Of Heaven

**QUESTION:** Who is the real boss in Heaven? God, Jesus

The devil thought he could take God out of the picture and become the supreme ruler. How crazy! God must be a billion-times bigger than the devil. God could have taken is finger by His own thumb and flicked the devil out of heaven like a soggy spaghetti noodle! But that's not how God got rid of him.

**QUESTION:** How do you think that Got did it? He sent the good angles—the ones that do what is right—to kick him out.

D. Evil Deceiver

**QUESTION:** The devil isn't the only guy to get kicked out of heaven. Do you know who else got booted out with him? All the other angels who believed the devil's lies. We call these bad angels "demons".

**QUESTION:** Do you know how many of these demon angels were kicked out of heaven? One third.

That's a lot of angels! Two thirds of the angels remained loyal to God, so they got to throw out the bad ones! The Bible says that there is at least one angel for every child. You have one with you right now!

## 2. What's He Like?

Many people have different ideas about what the devil is like. Some people think he is even nice, but we Christians know better. He's just down right nasty and mean. He wants to see you be miserable all of the time. If God did not have a protection around you, the devil would try to hurt you good. But God is soooooo much bigger than he is. The devil can't touch you—if you have Jesus in your heart. God loves everyone who loves Him—especially little children. You are very special to God, and He won't let any of the demons or the devil come near you. Since the devil can't get near you to harm you, lets look at what other ways he tries to get to you.

### A. By Deceiving Us

The devil tries to get us to think things that are not true. He will try to get you to think that a friend is mad at you, when they really are not at all mad at you. Sometimes he tries to get you to think somebody is trying to get you, or steal something from you. This may not be true at all. Sometimes he tries to get people to be prideful, and that's something God really doesn't like.

**QUESTION:** Do you know what pride is?

That's when you think you are better than someone else because just *one* thing about you is better. Maybe you have better cloths, or better sports gear. Perhaps you can play an instrument, or do a trick better than someone else. Sometimes people are more popular just because of something. When you use these things wrongfully, or think you're better than you are, then that's pride.

### B. Uses God's Word Against Us

The devil is an expert at knowing God's Word. In fact, he knows it better than most Christians! The devil takes the Word of God and twists it up. This is how he tricked Eve in garden of Eden, and got her to sin. God told Adam and Eve not to eat the fruit from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. However, when the devil asked Eve about it, she didn't know God's instructions good enough. Eve said, "We can't eat it—*or even touch it.*" She added the last part herself. The devil caught this slip. He knows God's Word as good as anybody else. So he got Eve to touch it. When she did not die, Eve though that she was mistaken about the tree, and ate the forbidden fruit.

Eve didn't know her Bible very well, and that got her in big trouble. The devil thinks of us in the same way. If he finds out that we don't know the Bible very well, then he will try to trick us as much as he can.

C. Liar

Liar, liar pants on fire! That's the devil all right. He can't say anything that's true. He will tell you lies and try to get you to believe them. He'll say things to you like, "Nobody loves you" and, "You're no good for anything." We can read in the Bible how special you are to God. God loves you more than anything. Whatever you do, never listen to the devil and his lies.

D. What's He Look Like?

He tries to put on a disguise. 2 Corinthians 11:14 says, ". . . Satan himself masquerades as an angel of light". He tries to make himself look like something he is not. That's why you need to have God's Holy Spirit with you. He will tell you when a demon is around. All you have to do is pray, and God will send the biggest, roughest, toughest good angels to get rid of them for you. Angels are never afraid of demons, and they can knock them down every time!

3. What's The Difference Between Him And God?

Lots of things! He's nothing compared to God. Here are just a few things to help you understand how they are different:

<u>Satan</u>	<u>God</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Can only be one place at a time.</li><li>• Can't harm unless God lets him.</li><li>• Works through lies &amp; tricks.</li><li>• Only knows what God allows him know.</li><li>• Created by God. Someday, God will destroy him.</li><li>• Devil's bad</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• He's everywhere.</li><li>• All Powerful.</li><li>• Works through truth.</li><li>• Knows everything.</li><li>• Never created, always was, is, and will be</li></ul> <p>God's good!</p>

4. What's Satan's Trying To Do?

The devil has a plan, and it's not a good one. He wants to see you get destroyed right along with him. One day, God will destroy him and his band of demons forever. Everyone who doesn't know Jesus will be destroyed with him. That's why we have to tell everyone we know about Jesus and his love, so no one that we love will be destroyed with him. We want to see everyone we know live forever in heaven along with Jesus and us. That's what Jesus wants too.

A. A Crook, Murderer, And Destroyer

Have someone in the class look up the following scriptures and **read** them:

**John 10:10** The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy...

B. A Devourer

**1 Peter 5:8** ...Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour

C. Wants To Have His Way With You

**Luke 22:31** "Simon, Simon, Satan has asked to sift you as wheat...."

This means that he wants to get his hands on us and do some really mean things. But just remember: We have Jesus on our side!

5. How Does Satan Get To Us?

We let him in. We give him the keys to come and attack us when we sin on purpose and not follow God's ways.

**QUESTION:** God will sometimes allow the devil to bother us. Why do you think He would do that?

A. To Make Us Better

God allows him to do that to make us better. Did you ever get scared and run back to your parents? When you did, they gave you a big hug and told you everything was all right. God is the same way. He just wants us to depend on Him for our safety. But sometimes we let the devil in by our bad actions and deeds. Listen to these next three things. They tell us how we let the devil in.

B. When We Sin.

We let him in by sinning on purpose. When we sin by accident, or do something we don't know is a sin, then God's grace protects us. But when we know we are sinning, and do it on purpose, we let the devil in to bother us.

C. Not Knowing God's Word	We let the devil in by not knowing God's word, and then letting him fool us.
D. By Being Unprotected	People who are not Christians (haven't asked Jesus into their heart) don't have God's protection. The devil can bother them anytime.
6. How Do We Guard Against Satan?	It's easy! We should just be Christians, and use all the weapons God has given us to fight the devil and his demons.
A. Know God's Word!	Be wise as a fox! You got to learn the Bible. God will reward you for it, and the devil can't trick you.
B. Get The Word Into Our Hearts!	Don't just learn God's Word, but do it too. Video games aren't much fun if you just learn about them. They're only fun when you do them! God's Word is the same way. It's far more fun when you do it.
C. Practice God's Word!	Have you ever tried to play a musical instrument? If you have, then you know that it's lots of hard work! You certainly just don't pick an instrument and play a beautiful song. You got to work at it for years. God's ways are the same way. Practice, practice, practice!
D. Be Alert!	You got to be looking around all of the time. If you are watching, the devil will never sneak up on you.
E. Put On Our Armor!	Eph 6:11 Put on the full armor of God so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes.
F. Be Wise!	Ro 16:19,20 ...be wise about what is good, and innocent about what is evil. The God of peace will soon crush Satan under your feet.
7. Something To Think About	<p>1 John 3:10 This is how we know who the children of God are and who the children of the devil are: Anyone who does not do what is right is not a child of God; nor is anyone who does not love his brother.</p> <p>This may be a good time to see if someone would like to ask Jesus into their heart. Perhaps someone would like to rededicate their life to the Lord Jesus.</p>

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