

Living Alert

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Questions: What is your first memory of discovering that there are people in the world who do not like you? Hate you? How does knowing this effect how you live your life?

Read 1 Peter 5

Reread verses 5-11

Questions: What are some characteristics of Satan as a serpent? What different characteristics does he have as a roaring lion?

Questions: Would you tend to view the devil with too much power or not enough? Why? Do you have an example from your life?

Satan is “a dangerous enemy. ... He has great power and intelligence, and a host of demons who assist him in his attacks against God’s people. He is a formidable enemy.”

Warren Wiersbe

Read verse 8 in different versions.

Questions: What do you do that causes your mind and spirit to go into a stupor? What intoxicates you that your guard comes down against the roaring lion?

Is this life a playground to you or is it a battleground?

Questions: In reading verses 5-11, what are the alternatives to fighting or running from the enemy? How does it look in your life to “cast” as opposed to just “give” your worries to Jesus? What does it look like for you to “stand firm” against the enemy?

Questions: In what way do you live your life different knowing you have Satan as an enemy wanting to devour you? Knowing that God has called you to share in His eternal glory?

**“The suffering won’t last forever ...
He gets the last word; yes, he does.”**

Questions: Does this truth encourage you? Why or why not?

All wrongs against us will be set right. All patience under mockery will be vindicated. All shame in this world will be taken away and replaced with honor. All pain will be removed and all losses restored. All brokenness will be mended. All humiliation will be exchanged for garments of glory. All slander will be revealed as false before the whole world. All anonymity in quiet faithfulness will be replaced with global fame among the millions of the redeemed.

John Piper