

MESSAGE **NOTES** **BIG VALLEY GRACE** **COMMUNITY CHURCH**

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A SCOUTING REPORT ON YOUR ENEMY

1. He's real!

GENESIS 3:1a (NIV)

Now the serpent...

MATTHEW 4:1-11

JOB 1:6

2. He's powerful!

2 CORINTHIANS 4:4 (NIV)

The god of this age has blinded the minds of unbelievers, so that they cannot see the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image God.

1 JOHN 5:19 (NIV)

We know that we are children of God, and that the whole world is under control of the evil one.

3. He's evil!

JOHN 8:44 (NIV)

"You belong to your father, the devil, and you want to carry out your father's desire. He was a murderer from the beginning, not holding to the truth, for there is no truth in him. When he lies, he speaks his native language, for he is a liar and the father of lies."

YOUR ENEMY'S JOB DESCRIPTION

1 PETER 5:8b (NIV)

Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour.

WINNING THE BATTLE WITH YOUR ENEMY

1. You need to pray!

MATTHEW 26:41a (NIV)

"Watch and pray so that you will not fall into temptation..."

2. You need to be alert!

1 PETER 5:8 (NIV)

Be self-controlled and alert. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour.

3. You need to submit to God and take a stand!

JAMES 4:7 (NIV)

Submit yourselves, then to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.

4. You need to put the armor on!

EPHESIANS 6:10-18

5. You need to be in radical community with others!

ROMANS 12:10 (NASB)

Be devoted...give preference to ONE ANOTHER...

ROMANS 15:7 (NASB)

...accept ONE ANOTHER...

1 CORINTHIANS 12:25 (NASB)

...care for ONE ANOTHER...

GALATIANS 6:2 (NASB)

Bear ONE ANOTHER'S burdens...

1 THESSALONIANS 5:11 (NASB)

...encourage and build up ONE ANOTHER...

HEBREWS 10:24 (NASB)

...stimulate ONE ANOTHER to love and good deeds...

JAMES 5:16 (NASB)

...confess your sins to ONE ANOTHER, and pray for ONE ANOTHER...

1 PETER 4:10 (ESV)

...serve ONE ANOTHER...

1 JOHN 4:11 (ESV)

...love ONE ANOTHER...