



“No Place, Devil!”

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I. **Ephesians 4:23-27**

A. Place

1. **Spot, Space, Occupancy, Opportunity**
2. If it is stealing, killing, or destroying in any way...it is always from Satan. (Your time, your peace, your finances....all of these are ways that the enemy tries to take from you).

B. Don't be ignorant (without knowledge)

1. **II Corinthians 2:11** “Lest Satan should get an advantage...”
2. **Ephesians 6:12** “We wrestle not against flesh and blood...”
3. **Know Who God Is....Know Who You Are....Know Your Enemy!**
 - The enemy takes the greatest advantage when there is a lack of knowledge (That's where destruction begins – **Hosea 4:6**)
 - Satan has masked himself quite well (subtle and deceptive); “Satan” is mentioned in only 15 verses of scripture in the O.T. and 11 of those 15 verses are in the book of Job. (In the N.T., “Satan” is mentioned in 34 verses and “devil” is found in 57 verses...”0” in the O.T.).
 - Knowing who Satan is and how he works takes his advantage away and puts him on defense!

II. Feelings....Those Wonderful Feelings

A. **Genesis 4:3-7**

1. Key words of interest: “Cain was angry and his countenance fell.”
 - “Don't let the sun go down on your wrath...” – Having anger in your heart leads to bad decisions, which can bring harm.
 - Countenance – He allowed the circumstances to affect his feelings.
 - Message Bible “Cain lost his temper and went into a sulk.”
2. Notice the progression: Bad Feelings....Wrong Decision....Satan's Advantage (Imprisonment).

B. Keeping your eyes where they belong

1. **Matthew 20:20-24** (You see...people got their feelings hurt even in Jesus' days! / One would wonder, if the 10 disciples were angry because they didn't think of it first!)
2. **John 21:21-22** (Focus on Jesus...He is your author...He is your finisher!).