

## "You Lyin Devil" Sun Oct 2, 2022

## I. John 8:43-45

- A. Satan, the father of lies...
  - 1. Lying is not just something the devil does, it's something he is!
  - 2. He is deceived himself...the father of deception and lies
- B. The Day of Great Deception
  - 1. We live in such a cloud and atmosphere of lies, that few are able to find the

## 2. Revelation 12:9

- Old Reveals that he has been around for a very long time
- Deceives the whole world Reveals what he is good at (He makes things appear one way, when in truth, they are really another; he paints an unbelievable picture to steal away the truth!)
- Let us remember, Jesus even said in *Matthew 24:24* "There will arise false christ's and prophets....that could possibly deceive even the elect." (There are over 41,000 Christian denominations, not to mention the cults of Mormonism, Jehovah's Witness, Scientology, etc.)

## Be careful little eyes...Be careful little ears II.

- A. Looking at the truth....Hearing the truth
  - 1. This is how faith works: Comes by hearing and hearing by the Word of God (Hearing is twice, because it's not something you did, but something you continue to do!) Once you hear the Word of God, then you will know/see the truth that will make you free (John 8:31-32).
  - 2. Satan understands the principle of faith...so he tries to manipulate what you see and what you hear to keep you from the truth (Genesis 3:6)
    - \* I Kings 19:1-4 Elijah heard a lie that caused him to see it (this is the perfect example of how Satan manipulates the mind)
    - \* Numbers 13:33 The 10 spies couldn't see themselves the way God saw them; they were defeated before they ever went to spy out the land.
- B. Staying Focused on the Truth
  - 1. The importance of protecting every thought (*II Corinthians 10:4-5*)
  - 2. How do you cast it down? Answer: Do what Jesus did: It is written! (Don't let the painted picture remain in your mind!)
  - 3. Don't be ignorant of Satan's devices; learn how to abide in God's truth!