



Get Behind Me Satan

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I don't think anyone is immune to mental and emotional attacks from the enemy attempting to convince us that we are less than what God created us to be. I won't list all of the different things the enemy tries to make me believe, but I will share one. I've been writing this blog for about 18 months, and from time to time, the enemy attempts to disrupt it by telling me I'm not qualified to write a Scripture-based blog. Satan tells me that since I am not a licensed or ordained minister, since I haven't been to seminary school, I am not qualified to write such things to be shared. For those of you who have read my books, you know that they contain Scripture and Christian principles, too. These attacks from the enemy are not new, these same thoughts crept into my mind then. I worried that since I was only reading the Bible for myself, and hadn't studied theology, that I didn't really know what I was talking about.

In this week's Bible study we read a passage of Scripture that I referenced in [A Guys Guide to Abstinence](#). In the book, I attempted to illustrate to young men, the need for good judgement, self-control, and a strong sense of morality in their relationships. The book contains fictional short stories and non-fictional passages to make these points. In chapter 14, the book transitions to the Scriptural basis for abstinence. To do this, I used the story of David and Bathsheba found in 2 Samuel 11-12. In this story, David, King of Israel, sees Bathsheba bathing and sends one of his servants to bring her to him. They sleep together and conceive a child. David, sends for Uriah, Bathsheba's husband, who is at war. He asks him some questions about the war, then sends him home, hoping he will sleep with his wife and will think the baby is his. Uriah, does not go home, he instead, sleeps among the servants. When asked why he said, "The ark and Israel and Judah are staying in tents, and my commander Joab and my lord's men are camped in the open country. How could I go to my house to eat and drink and make love to my wife? As surely as you live, I will not do such a thing!" (2 Samuel 11:11) David, still hoping Uriah will go home to Bathsheba, keeps him for 2 more days. He never goes home to his wife. David, feeling as if he is out of options to cover his tracks, has Uriah relocated to the front-lines of battle where he will surely be killed. Uriah dies. David marries Bathsheba and she gives birth to a son. Seven days later the baby died.

In A Guys' Guide to Abstinence, this story is used to illustrate a contrast between the self-control, and morality of two men--David and Uriah. When I realized, this week, that we would be studying this passage, the enemy said, to me..."I bet you interpreted it wrong in your book, just like you get everything wrong in that blog." I was afraid. After studying this passage further, I am finding that I didn't misinterpret the passage,

but now, since reading from Joshua through 2 Samuel, I know and understand much more about David. I am not sure that when I wrote the book, that I knew this David was the same David who slew Goliath (1 Samuel 17). I knew that David wrote many of the Psalms, but I certainly didn't make the connection between his writing of Psalms and the anguish he felt as he tried to keep his distance from Saul who sought to kill him. I didn't know David already had multiple wives by the time he met Bathsheba. I didn't know that in the 2 Samuel 8:6, 14, Scripture tells us "The Lord gave David victory wherever he went." I now see just how much David's character changed two chapters later. The final words of 2 Samuel 11:27 are "...the thing David had done displeased the Lord." I think when I read this statement for the book, I probably shook my head. When I read it now, knowing David the way we have learned about him, and knowing more of what happens when God is displeased...this statement now makes my eyes grow big.

I believe what I lacked when I wrote the book, and still lack to an extent now, is insight. I don't know all of the Scriptural connections. I do know that when I read the Bible, my Spirit gets excited and I want to share what I read and what I understand. In 2017, while studying John, my spirit was so excited, I wrote a 30-day [devotional](#). There was so much I was learning that I just had to share it with everyone who cared to learn. Matthew 28:19 tells us, "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit" This blog and the books I write are my way of doing just that. I admit, I don't know everything there is to know about the Bible, I admit, I lack some insight, but I will continue to share that which I understand, with the hope it will help someone else in their walk with the Lord. I say to the enemy, and encourage you to say when you feel his interference, as Jesus said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; you do not have in mind the concerns of God, but merely human concerns."

Amen!

Have a beautifully blessed week!

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