

# **SATAN'S DEVICES IN HISTORY**

## **(PART II)**

### **EPHESIANS 6:11**

#### **I. THE TEMPTATION OF THE LORD JESUS CHRIST IS A CRUCIAL CASE STUDY (MATTHEW 4:1-11)**

- A. The Lord Was Tempted To Satisfy A Physical Need Apart From Divine Direction (4:3-4)
- B. The Lord Was Tempted To Display His Dependence On God The Father Presumptuously (4:5-7)
- C. The Lord Was Tempted To Attain The Will Of God Unlawfully (4:8-11)

#### **II. THE CASE STUDIES OF THOSE WHO WERE TEMPTED IN THE FIRST CENTURY SUBSEQUENT TO THE LORD'S TEMPTATION**

- A. Peter Was Tempted To Value Human Viewpoint Over Divine Viewpoint (Matthew 16:23)
- B. The Apostles Were All In Danger Of Being Sifted Of Their Confidence In Christ Like One Sifts Wheat (Luke 22:31-32)
- C. Judas Iscariot Was Literally Personally Indwelt By Satan Himself (John 13:21-30)
  - 1. Four Points Concerning Demonic Possession
  - 2. None Of The Other Eleven Even Had A Clue Of Judas' True Condition
- D. Ananias & Sapphira Were Tempted To Declare Subterfuge In The Presence Of The Entire Church (Acts 5:1-11)

#### **III. NINE KEY PASSAGES FOR FURTHER CONSIDERATION**

## **NINE MORE PASSAGES ON SATANIC ACTIVITY**

1. Some, When The Word Is Preached, Have The Word Snatched Right Out Of Their Dull, Misunderstanding Hearts By Satan (Matthew 13:19)
2. Counterfeits Are Planted In Churches All Over The World By Satan (Matthew 13:39)
3. Satan Would Love To Destroy Those Who Profess Christ But Live As Pagans (I Corinthians 5:5)
4. Married People With Their Guard Down Are Tempted Sexually By Satan (I Corinthians 7:5)
5. Satan Takes Advantage Of Issues In The Church (Lack of Forgiveness Toward One Who Has Repented) (II Corinthians 2:11)
6. Satan Transforms Himself As a Minister Of Light As To His Minions (II Corinthians 11:14-15)
7. Satan Hinders People From Obeying the Great Commission (I Thessalonians 2:18)
8. People (Young Widows) Are Seduced To Marry Outside Of The Will Of God (I Timothy 5:15)
9. Many Have Found Themselves Incarcerated For Doing The Will Of God (Church At Smyrna) (Revelation 2:10)