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THE DEVIL MUST BE VERY HAPPY

The Devil is the mortal enemy of every human soul. His intent is the eternal destruction of as many of us as possible. That is why the Bible warns us to “Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour” (1 Peter 5:8). Sadly, very few heed this warning. A great majority of people have fallen prey to the Devil and have become his slaves and agents. Yes, the devil must be very happy that he has been so successful in his efforts.

The Devil must be happy that thousands of innocent babies are murdered in the wombs of their mothers by a process known as abortion. Many have believed the devil’s lie that life begins at birth rather than at conception and while a baby is in the womb it is not really a person but just an appendage or a blob of protoplasm. Yet, God identified Jeremiah while still in the womb as a person Jeremiah 1:5 reads, “Before I formed you in the womb I knew you; Before you were born I sanctified you; I ordained you a prophet to the nations.” Since God recognized a baby in the womb as a person we have no right to say otherwise.

The Devil must be happy that addictive pornography is so easily accessible even to the very young. Jesus said that “whoever looks upon a woman to lust after her has committed adultery with her in his heart (Matthew 5:28). The Bible warns us to “Abstain from fleshly lusts which war against the soul” (1 Peter 2:11). Only God knows how many marriages have been negatively impacted and crimes perpetrated because of viewing of pornography. The devil must look in glee at the many young people who will be damaged for life by the perversion of pornography.

The devil jumps with joy when he sees the negative impact he has had upon God’s plan for marriage. The devil seeks to destroy the institution of marriage through unscriptural divorce, sexual relationships outside of marriage, and same sex marriage. Yet, God says, “Marriage is honorable among all, and the bed undefiled; but fornicators and adulterers God will judge” (Hebrews 13:4).

The devil must really enjoy the violence that he has instituted in our schools, in our streets and in the war-torn countries around the world. While God desires peace, the devil does all he can to destroy peace, to promote chaos and to create hatred and division among all people. On the other hand, God tells us, “If it is possible, as much as depends on you, live peaceably with all men” (Romans 12:18). God wants to grant to all the “peace that passes all understanding” (Philippians 4:7).

Dear reader, if you don’t want to make the devil happy then take your stand against him and the evil he promotes and stand with the Word of God!