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WHO'S PULLING YOUR STRINGS?

There will never be a day that we aren't tempted by Satan. He will always put thoughts into our minds and try to bring confusion. He will whisper a simple thought, and it is our choice to listen or not. How do we know if it is God speaking, or Satan speaking?

Satan doesn't wear a red suit with a pitchfork in hand. No, my friend, he comes as a beautiful being that makes evil look good. Everything he does is counterfeit, and perverted. He will always try to get your mind off God, and get it on the lust of the flesh, lust of the eye, or the pride of life. He has nothing good in him at all. He will try to make you think that God is holding out on you.

The things that God says are wrong (sin) may be pleasurable for a season, but the Bible says that the end of them is death. One thing that Satan does is push. He wants you to always be hasty in making decisions. Do it now, he will say. He will tell you that you're your own boss, and no one can tell you what to do. He will press you to give in to sin. He wants to pull your strings and tell you when to jump.

God never pushes. He may nudge us to do that which is right and abstain from that is wrong, yet Holy Spirit is always a gentleman. Holy Spirit tugs at our heart (spirit) strings to try to keep us on track. He will back off if we resist his nudges. We must learn to guard our minds (thoughts) and not give in to the thoughts Satan would like to interject.

How do we know if it is God speaking to us? It will line up with what the bible says. When Jesus was tempted by Satan, Satan twisted scripture. Jesus quoted the truth of the scriptures back to Satan and won the battle. If you do not know what the bible says, then you won't know if the person whispering into your ear is Satan or God. It is imperative that you study the Word of God to avoid confusion. God will never entice you to sin. God will always expect us to walk in love, and not hate others.

It is not a sin to be tempted. Sin starts when we give in to the temptation. Decide today to train your mind to listen to God and not Satan, then you will not make wrong choices. Be blessed!