

A Conspiracy of Interruptions

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The devil's main target in his attacks on believers is their prayer life, and believers must prioritize prayer above all else to survive.

Scripture: Job 23:12, Psalm 119:11, Matthew 6:6, Luke 18:1, Ephesians 6:18, Philippians 4:6-7, Colossians 4:2, 1 Thessalonians 5:17, Hebrews 4:16, James 5:16

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Description

David Wilkerson emphasizes the immense power of fervent prayer from a single believer, which can shake the very foundations of hell. He warns that the soul yearning for a deeper relationship with Christ becomes a target for Satan's conspiracy of interruptions, which distracts believers from prayer and the study of God's Word. Wilkerson shares the struggle of a pastor who finds himself overwhelmed by daily distractions, illustrating how the devil uses busyness to rob Christians of their time with God. He stresses that prayer and communion with God are essential for spiritual survival, urging believers to prioritize their prayer life as a necessity rather than an option.

Transcript

All hell quakes at the effectual, fervent prayer of a single believer. The powerful praying of just one intercessor sounds like raging thunder in the caverns of the damned. Not one inch of space in hell remains unaffected by a believer who denies himself, takes up his cross, and follows Christ with his whole heart.

Yet, we must remember: The soul that cries out with agonizing yearnings for depth in Christ will become the central focus of Satan's conspiracy of interruptions.

A pastor wrote to me, saying, "My greatest battle is not with some secret sin of the flesh but with maintaining a consistent life of prayer and study in God's Word! Satan rarely tempts me with sexual sin, but he gets me so busy with the daily affairs of life that my times for prayer and study are crowded out. I don't allow this to happen intentionally but I get caught up in all kinds of projects and interruptions. This cycle is repeated over and over and Satan is robbing me of my time with God."

Like millions of other sincere Christians, this dear pastor is the victim of a demonic conspiracy of interruptions. And the devil's chief target in these attacks is the secret closet of prayer. So, how does the devil keep believers out of this fearsome, secret place? Does he entice with erotic images, soothing thoughts of escape through alcohol or drugs, or dreams of fame and prosperity?

No, never! The devil knows that the person in union with Christ will not be tempted by such vulgarity. Instead, the old fox seeks to interrupt and hinder a believer's every attempt to enter the presence of God and study His Word.

Communion in prayer and the study of God's Word cannot be optional. Your thought should not be merely that you ought to pray but that you cannot survive without prayer. Job declared, "I have esteemed the words of his mouth more than my necessary food" (Job 23:12).

Only when prayer becomes important enough will you make the time to do it!

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