

John 8:39-47

Main point: Satan is the father of lies who continually seeks to keep people in spiritual darkness

1. Satan is a liar and the Father of lies

John 8:44, Revelation 12:3-4, Revelation 12:9, Genesis 3:1,4, Matthew 4:5-6, Revelation 20:7-8

“Your father is the Devil”

Cultural Christianity only has influence as long as you silence Jesus by not preaching what He preached

- A murderer from the beginning
- Does not stand in the truth
- A liar and the father of lies

“When he lies, he speaks out of his own character”

2. Satan is actively seeking to deceive

John 8:39-4, John 8:41, 2 Corinthians 4:1-4, Ephesians 6:11-12

“Why do you not understand what I say?”

“Trust your heart”

“Go with your gut”

“Do what makes you happy”

“If it feels good it must be good”

“Live your truth”

When self-gratification is the highest form of morality we will hurt everyone that gets in our way

As a disciple of Jesus, am I buying into the philosophies of the world?
Have I incrementally allowed this self-saturated culture to influence my thinking?

3. Jesus is calling out to anyone who has ears to hear

John 8:46-47, Hebrews 3:15-16, Proverbs 1:20-22, Proverbs 1:29-31, Proverbs 1:33, Matthew 23:37

“I would have ... You would not” summarizes the tragedy of final rejection of the truth. There is no argument here about divine sovereignty and human responsibility, for both are included. God could not force His salvation on the people; neither could He change the consequences of their stubborn rejection. “You will not come to Me that you may have life.” -Warren Weirsbe