

# Your Adversary

by Linville Dunaway, Corinth Christian church

You, me, everyone has an adversary. Not a friendly competitor, but an enemy who is out to destroy you, your family, friends, and even the whole world. This enemy goes by several names such as, the dragon, the old serpent, Beelzebub, and Satan. He is happy that so many people refuse to take him seriously. They that don't believe that he is a real being play into his hands because they don't fight against him. Whether a person takes him seriously, or not, he is seriously trying to destroy mankind. **1 Peter 5: 8**, "Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour."

In **John 8:44** Jesus said that the devil is a murderer and a liar. He is also a tempter who tempted Eve, Jesus and the rest of mankind. Satan doesn't come to a person and say that he is going to try to destroy him, he tries to make it look like he is helping him. If people could see sin for what it is, and what

the result will be, they would not fall into it so easily. Satan is also an accuser who points out your sins. Yes, the very sins that he helped get you into. Look at Job, he was accused of serving God because of the blessings of God. Satan's goal was to destroy Job's relationship with God. The death of his children, the loss of his herds, and the suffering that he was put through was just extras, courtesy of the devil. No matter how good you are, you are not above being attacked by the devil. Only by trusting God and his grace can we overcome the evil one.

**Revelation 12:10**, "And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night."

Job was not guilty of living in sin, yet, was accused anyhow. If, and when, we slip and commit some sin you can be sure that Satan is there to point it out. He would destroy your witness here on earth, as well as your relationship with God. When we realize that we have done something wrong, a thought, word, or some deed, we should repent and ask God to forgive us. You can tell God yourself, or rest assured, Satan

will.

Satan knows your greatest weakness. Each of us has at least one, and some have several. You can't be tempted with something that you hate, but it will be something that you desire. Look at Judas and his temptation. He liked money and what it could buy. **John 12:6** says that he was a thief and was treasurer for the group. Satan used his desire to have more money and led him to betray Jesus to the priests and the others who hated him.

Judas thought that he would be beaten, or imprisoned, he would have the thirty pieces of silver and no one would be the wiser. When he saw that they planned to crucify Jesus he tried to undo his deed, saying, "I have sinned in that I have betrayed innocent blood." **Matthew 27:4**. Did Satan, or the priests, care for Judas and his sin? No, he was on his own. The evil used him and had no more use for him. That is the way of sin, it uses a person and then spits him out. Judas found out that sin took him farther than he wanted to go and cost him far more than he wanted to pay. That is what our adversary would like to do to each of us. We can only overcome through Jesus.

# Facts About The BIBLE BY JOHN LEHTI

**RAVENNA Food Mart**  
314 Main Street  
Ravenna, KY  
Phone 723-6333

**Dunaway United Methodist**  
11840 Irvine Road (Trapp)  
Winchester, Clark County, Ky  
Church Services  
Morning Worship 10am • Sunday School 11am  
Pastor Randy Hardman Call 704-733-8751

**Owl Head's Grocery & Feed**  
Phone 723-7473 South Irvine, Ky.  
Novelties - Open 7 Days A Week  
Donald & Katherine Dixon, Owners

**Hardy Oil Company, Inc.**  
74 River Drive  
Irvine, Kentucky  
Phone 723-3664

**CASH IN A DASH Payday Loans**  
Buy Gold-Silver  
Phone 723-0799  
(Irvine, next to Bunt Gross)

**Advertise Here!**  
Call 723-5012  
The Estill County Tribune

**Gum Springs Church of God**  
Highway 213 (Furnace Junction)  
Pastor Glenn Case • Call 723-4180  
Church Services  
Sunday School 10 am • Morning Worship 11:15 am  
Sunday Night 6 pm • Wednesday Night 6 pm

**Harg First Church of God**  
Hwy. 82, Irvine, KY  
Sunday School 10:00 am  
Morning Worship 11:00 am  
Sunday Evening 6:00 pm  
Wednesday Evening 6:00 pm  
4th Sunday Singing 6:00 pm  
Everyone Is Welcome!  
Roy Jackson, Pastor

**High Street Full Gospel Church**  
Irvine, Kentucky  
Sunday School 10:00 am  
Morning Worship 11:00 am  
Sunday Evening 6:00 pm  
Wednesday Evening 7:00 pm  
Welcome!  
Pastor David Woosley  
(859) 369-5354

**Facts About The BIBLE BY JOHN LEHTI**

"...AND HE ROLLED A LARGE STONE ACROSS THE ENTRANCE..."  
MATTHEW 27:60

TOMBS LIKE THIS ONE ARE STILL TO BE FOUND NEAR JERUSALEM. IT WAS IN SUCH A ONE AS THIS THAT JOSEPH OF ARIMATHEA UNDOUBTEDLY LAID JESUS TO REST.

THE LARGE CIRCULAR STONES WHICH SEALED THE TOMBS WERE ROLLED INTO A GROOVED SLOT. ONE MAN COULD EASILY ROLL IT DOWN - BUT, BECAUSE OF THE GREAT WEIGHT, IT WOULD ALWAYS NEED MANY VERY STRONG MEN TO PUSH THE STONE UP OUT OF ITS SLOT, IN ORDER TO OPEN UP A TOMB!

**Lewis-Abner Home For Funerals**  
www.lewisfh.com  
224 Main Irvine, KY  
Pre-Need Services 723-2151  
Available

**St. Elizabeth Catholic Church**  
322 5th St., Ravenna, KY  
Sunday Mass 9:00 am  
Wednesday Mass 6:00 pm  
Thursday Mass 6:00 pm  
Contact: Father Al Fritsch, S.J.  
(606) 723-4705

**Inner Beauty Hair, Nails, Salon & Day Spa**  
363 Richmond Road, Irvine  
Phone 723-0118  
Joanna Jernigan  
Owner & Master Stylist  
Stephanie Isaacs  
Master Stylist & Nail Tech  
Sherry Harrison  
Master Stylist  
"For All Your Salon & Spa Needs"

**Honchell's Men's & Boys' Clothing & Shoes**  
Tuxedo Rental Available  
West Irvine Plaza  
Irvine, Kentucky  
Phone 723-7316

**Advertise Here!**  
Call 723-5012  
The Estill County Tribune

**Prayer Circle at Knowlton Church**  
Call for Prayer  
Kenny - 606 723-7451  
606 614-8110  
Benny - 859 404-8224  
Betty - 859 432-0939  
Dallas - 859 582-9752  
Willie - 606 454-8794

**Emmanuel Baptist Church**  
Now at 106 Tyler Lane  
Irvine, Kentucky 40336  
Pastor: Sherl Thomas  
Services  
Sunday School 10:00 am  
Sunday Worship 11:00 am  
Sunday Evening 6:00 pm  
Wednesday Evening 7:00 pm  
Established  
September 12, 1999

Call 723-5012 to Advertise

**SAVE-A-LOT**  
1290 Richmond Road  
Irvine, Kentucky  
Phone 723-6372

**Roadside Mission Church of God**  
Welcomes You!  
A Bible Teaching Church  
Furnace Junction Ravenna, KY  
Sunday School & Morning Worship, 10 am  
Sunday Evening Evangelistic Service, 6 pm  
Wed. Prayer Meeting & Bible Study, 6 pm  
Radio Ministry  
Sundays, 2:00 p.m. WSKV 104.9 FM

**Warren F. Toler Funeral Home**  
Family Owned and Operated  
99 Cedar Grove  
www.tolerfuneralhome.com  
Phone 723-2183  
Obituary Line Phone 723-4242

Call 723-5012 to Advertise