



## Miracles that follow the plow :: A Question About Dealing With Lies And Doubtful Thoughts

### A Question About Dealing With Lies And Doubtful Thoughts - posted by EvanDixon, on: 2006/11/19 20:01

Perhaps this is more of a question for you guys rather than a prayer request...

but for the past five days I have been dealing extensively with lies and doubtful thoughts. They have been like the voices of demons and false prophets, relentlessly assailing my mind and striving to attack/destroy my faith. I have spent much time in prayer against such thoughts and have found that today the LORD has answered my prayers. I have felt an "unveiling of the mind" so to speak, and I am finding the strength from the Spirit that I need to overcome such thoughts.

So... my question is... have any of you ever encountered such times in your spiritual life and, if so, what have you done about it? I have been saved since I was eight years old, but have truly been seeking after Him for about the past six months. I have grown tremendously, and then, all of a sudden, I'm dealing with these thoughts. So... to make a long story short... I would like to know what some of you have done in such a situation and what you would suggest. It is not as if I believe these lies- they are more like hindrances to thwart and corrode my spiritual focus and prevent me from beholding the majesty of Christ. So what have you done? Thank you.

### Re: A Question About Dealing With Lies And Doubtful Thoughts - posted by dohzman (), on: 2006/11/19 20:17

Besides prayer, Here's what I've done, here's what I do, and here's what I will do in the Future.

Mat 4:4 But he answered and said, It is written

Mat 4:7 Jesus said unto him, It is written again

Mat 4:10 Then saith Jesus unto him, Get thee hence, Satan: for it is written,

2Co 10:3 For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war after the flesh:

2Co 10:4 (For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strongholds;)

2Co 10:5 Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ;

Rev 12:11 And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death.

Sorry to give you so many scriptures but meditate on them, I think you'll get the picture, God Bless

### Re: A Question About Dealing With Lies And Doubtful Thoughts - posted by SherylAnne, on: 2006/11/19 20:54

I've had unwanted thoughts creep into my mind, too. Sometimes they have been the lies and doubtful thoughts planted by the enemy, sometimes they are just old thought patterns of criticism or plain nastiness from my past. When this happens, I remember 2 Cor 10:3-6 "For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war after the flesh: 4(For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds;) 5Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ; 6And having in a readiness to revenge all disobedience, when your obedience is fulfilled."

I hope this doesn't sound too silly to you, but to keep them from persisting, I actually make a motion of reaching up and grabbing that thought, casting it down at my feet and squashing it out like one would extinguish a cigarette! Works for me!

Then remembering Philippians 4:8-9 "Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things. 9Those things, which ye have both learned, and received, and heard, and seen in me, do: and the God of peace shall be with you." I replace those unwanted thoughts with praise and have actually had some awesome worship time afterward...that's my rx, use often as needed...

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**Re: A Question About Dealing With Lies And Doubtful Thoughts - posted by TaylorOtwell (), on: 2006/11/29 0:19**

I can definitely tell you I have experienced the very same thing dear brother. I like what the last brother said about just casting down these thoughts. I think the best advice I can give you is to always have an attitude of praise. Praise to Christ in the tough times when the trials come always creates deliverance! He is faithful to us, and does love his children with an everlasting love. Remember these promises. Cast down those thoughts. Sometimes I say verbally, "No, I do not receive these evil thoughts and blasphemies". It helps.

I have the very same experience, the Lord started to grow me tremendously in the past few months, and its like WHAM.. here comes this new attack I have never experienced in my life.

I will be praying for you... I would also appreciate prayers for the same struggle.

In Christ,  
Taylor

**Re: - posted by RobertW (), on: 2006/11/29 7:53**

Hi Evan,

Quote:  
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I have no idea what all the details are but one thing that I have found that really opens the door to the devil is having a lot of free time on your hands. *Redeeming the time because the days are evil...* We have an enemy that has a twofold strategy about himself:

- 1) Cause folk to not believe in demons and the devil at all
- 2) Cause folk to become *preoccupied* with or have an unhealthy interest 'in' demons and the devil.

I have known folk who all but lost their mind constantly rebuking demons and seeing and sensing evil spirits. Just being honest. They needed to get out of the house and get busy doing something. To get a job or something. Sometimes folk want to be 'full time' in ministry and really need to get working someplace. I have a tremendous amount of ministry I do and yet have six children AND a full time job. I don't have time for my mind to get off in left field too much. But the more people are IDLE the more the enemy works. Either towards SIN or INSANITY.

God Bless,

-Robert