

# IMMUNITY FROM THE DEVIL

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We have been learning much about Word prayers and spiritual warfare and have seen ‘retaliations’ because of it. I’m here with good news! You can live in a place with God where you have immunity from the devil. The evil one cannot harm you. When Jesus walked this Earth He lived in this place. Think about it. When Jesus came back from the wilderness, full of the Holy Spirit, the devil didn’t know what hit him. Jesus began systematically destroying every work that the devil had implemented. The Reign of Heaven began taking over where his reign had been! And the devil was not able to do anything to stop it--although he tried. But Jesus met every attempt with the Word and every time, the devil was defeated. This is where we need to live, too.

Let’s find out where this place is:

1 John 5:18-20 YLT

We have known that everyone who has been begotten of God does not sin, but he who was begotten of God does keep himself, and the evil one does not touch him. We have known that we are of God, and the whole world in the evil does lie and we have known that the Son of God is come, and has given us a mind, that we may know Him who is true, and we are in Him who is true, in His Son, Jesus Christ; this one is the true God and the life age-during!

We are talking about immunity from the devil. The first step towards this place is: Do you know what you know? Notice the YLT, past tense--have known. What? The Christian does not sin, but does keep himself. As long as he does this, the evil one does not touch him. Sin is the opening that Satan looks for. Sin = Disobedience to God’s standards.

In this world’s system, the ambassador of a foreign country has immunity, which means that they are legally exempt from any liability. If they should commit a crime, they are exempt from prosecution under our laws. They are not bound by our laws--our laws have no effect on them. Likewise, the Bible tells us that we are in the world, but we are not of the world. We are ambassadors for Christ.

We may be in the world, but we are not bound by this world system's laws. We operate according to the laws of the Kingdom of God. We are immune from the devil as long as we are obedient to the laws of OUR Kingdom--the Kingdom of God.

### John 17:14-19

I have given Your Word to them, and the world did hate them, because they are not of the world, as I am not of the world; I do not ask that You may take them out of the world, but that You may keep them out of the evil. Of the world they are not, as I am not of the world; sanctify them in Your truth, Your Word is truth; as You did send Me to the world, I also did send them to the world; and for them do I sanctify Myself, that they also themselves may be sanctified in truth.

Glory to God! You are not of this world, and are, thus, not subject to this world's curse. You are not citizens of this world but of heaven. You don't have to have the same problems of the world. You can be exempt from sickness, poverty, worry, fear, calamities, and anything else that is normal to this world.

Jesus prayed that God would protect them from the evil one. We are the 'them' that He prayed for! He has prayed for your protection from the evil one. This is immunity!

Jesus had immunity! Jesus said, 'They are not of the world, even as I am not of it. Jesus had immunity; look at Jesus' immunity:

1. **John 14:30**: He has no hold on me.
2. **John 7:44**: Some wanted to seize Him, but no one laid a hand on Him.
3. **John 8:20**: Yet, no one seized Him, because His time had not yet come.
4. **John 10:39**: They tried to seize Him, but He escaped their grasp.
5. **John 10:18**: No one takes it from Me, but I lay it down of My own accord.

These ought to be our confessions! Most would agree that Jesus had immunity, but they balk at the notion of the believer having immunity. There is a place in the Word that shows us where we can abide in immunity. I'm going to live in this place, how about you?

There is NO automatic immunity. All God's promises are **CONDITIONAL**. There are no automatic promises. **1 John 5:18** tells us that it is our responsibility to **KEEP** ourselves in the protective arms of God. Who is the one who keeps him safe? It is the one who was born of God. **WE** are born of God. Yes, Christ is also born of God, but He expects us to do our part in keeping ourselves in the place of immunity.

The Word works in our lives only when we **PUT** it to work and you put it to work through faith. Religion tries to make excuses for us when the devil attacks us. Instead of acknowledging the possibility that we are not in the place of immunity, it teaches that the devil's attacks against us was for our good. That is wrong thinking. The truth is, there is a reason our immunity is not working. It's time we learn how to appropriate our immunity.

**Luke 10:19**: Behold! I give to you the authority to tread upon serpents and scorpions, and on all the power of the enemy, and nothing by any means shall hurt you;

**NOTHING** will harm you! No thing can hurt you! You have authority over Satan and his cohorts. They can't hurt you when you walk in your authority. Quit doubting. You have immunity!

**Ephesians 6:16** tells us about our shield of faith. How many arrows can our faith extinguish? Some? Most? **NO! ALL!!** The flaming arrows of the evil one can be quenched. You don't have to let a single arrow pierce you. For this to work, you have to take up your shield of faith. God won't do it for you. You have to pick it up.

Paul gave us a vivid picture known to the people of his day. Only until recently, have we finally understood what this means. The Roman shields could be hooked together to form a barrier that protected all who were behind it. We don't have to worry that there will be an opening in the shield. There is no opening when we hook our faith together. We become an impenetrable force that Satan can't enter. We have total protection against him. This falls under the heading of 'unity' and 'agreement'.

What is the key to this immunity? Our tongue! Your words reveal what you really believe. Your words contain your faith. You could say it this way, "Your words verbalize your faith." If your faith is silent, then your faith is aborted. You might have conceived God's promise of immunity, but you

were not sure to verbalize it. You didn't want to sound 'presumptuous'. You thought, 'Maybe it might not work, so I don't want to give God a bad name if He fails to protect me.' So you kept silent. Your faith was aborted. Your faith must be released through words!!!! You must SAY that you are immune.

### CONCLUSION:

The evil one cannot harm me, because the Lord keeps me safe. Satan has no hold on me. I've been marked with the seal of ownership by God Himself. He marked me with the Holy Spirit. I stand by faith in this. Christ is my ark of safety. When I pass through the waters, the river will not sweep over me. When I walk through the fire, I will not be burned, because the Lord is with me. I fear not, because He has redeemed me. He has called me by my name. I belong to God. The Blood of Jesus is over my life, and demons must pass over me. I eat the bread of sincerity and truth. I live by the truth of the Word of God. I have the mark of the Lord on my forehead; therefore no harm will come to me. A thousand may fall at my side, ten thousand at my right hand, but no disaster will come near me. I make the Most High my dwelling, even my refuge, and so no harm will befall me, and no disaster will come near my dwelling. God rescues me and protects me, for I acknowledge His Name and I love Him. I say of the Lord, He is my refuge and my fortress, in Him I trust. I have immunity from the evil one!