

Why church?

To make Disciples.





Romans 7:14-25 (NLT)

“So the trouble is not with the law, for it is spiritual and good. The trouble is with me, for I am all too human, a slave to sin. I don’t really understand myself, for I want to do what is right, but I don’t do it. Instead, I do what I hate. But if I know that what I am doing is wrong, this shows that I agree that the law is good. So I am not the one doing wrong; it is sin living in me that does it.



And I know that nothing good lives in me, that is, in my sinful nature. I want to do what is right, but I can't. I want to do what is good, but I don't. I don't want to do what is wrong, but I do it anyway. But if I do what I don't want to do, I am not really the one doing wrong; it is sin living in me that does it. I have discovered this principle of life—that when I want to do what is right, I inevitably do what is wrong.



I love God's law with all my heart. But there is another power within me that is at war with my mind. This power makes me a slave to the sin that is still within me. Oh, what a miserable person I am! Who will free me from this life that is dominated by sin and death? Thank God! The answer is in Jesus Christ our Lord. So you see how it is: In my mind I really want to obey God's law, but because of my sinful nature I am a slave to sin".



How are Spiritual Strongholds Established?

- 1. We open a door**
- 2. Previous generations in our family line open the door.**



1. We Open a Door Inviting the Enemy in.

Ephesians 4:26-27 “And “don’t sin by letting anger control you.” Don’t let the sun go down while you are still angry, for anger gives a foothold to the devil.” (NLT)



1. We Open a Door Inviting the Enemy in.

James 1:14-15 “But each one is tempted when he is drawn away by his own desires and enticed. Then, when desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, brings forth death” (NKJV).



2. Previous Generations in our Family Line Open the Door.

Num 14:18 “The LORD is longsuffering and abundant in mercy, forgiving iniquity and transgression; but He by no means clears the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and fourth generation” (NKJV).



2. Previous Generations in our Family Line Open the Door.

Exodus 20:5-6 (NKJV)

⁵ ... For I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and fourth generations of those who hate Me,

⁶ but showing mercy to thousands, to those who love Me and keep My commandments.



How are Strongholds Broken?

1. Prayer and Fasting.

2. Identify and Address Legal Entry Points.



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- a. Confess, Repent and Renounce the act that brought entry. Personal and generational.
- b. Receive cleansing and healing – filling every void with the Holy Spirit.



Genesis 4:1-8 (NLT2)

¹ Now Adam had sexual relations with his wife, Eve, and she became pregnant. When she gave birth to Cain, she said, “With the LORD’s help, I have produced a man!”

² Later she gave birth to his brother and named him Abel. When they grew up, Abel became a shepherd, while Cain cultivated the ground.



³ When it was time for the harvest, Cain presented some of his crops as a gift to the LORD. ⁴ Abel also brought a gift—the best of the firstborn lambs from his flock. The LORD accepted Abel and his gift,

⁵ but he did not accept Cain and his gift. This made Cain very angry, and he looked dejected.

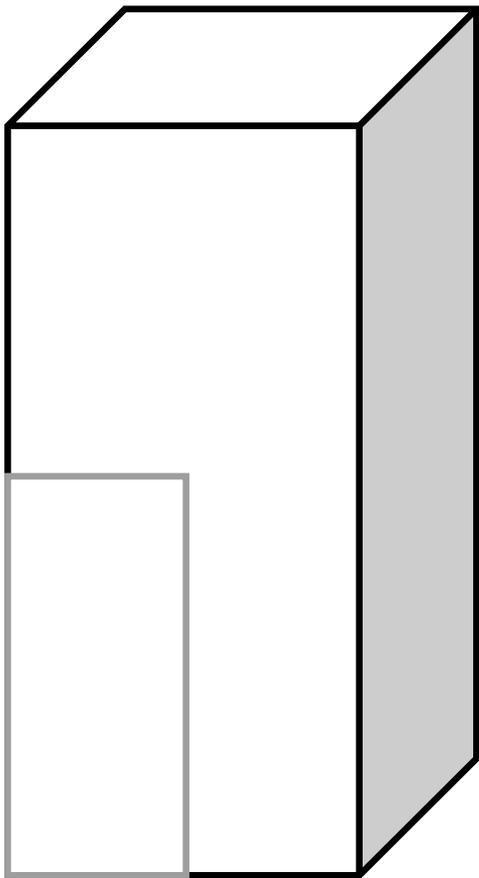
⁶ “Why are you so angry?” the LORD asked Cain.
“Why do you look so dejected?”

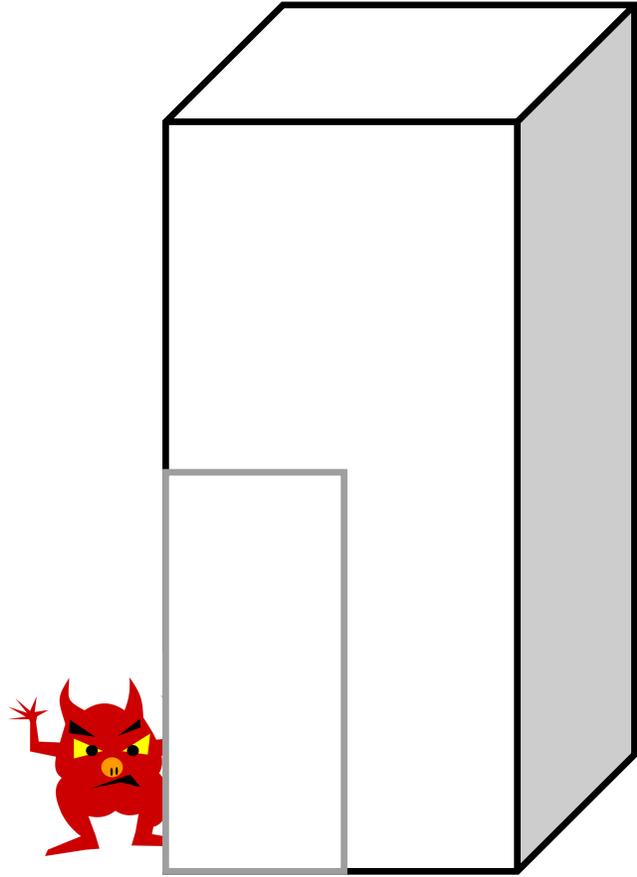


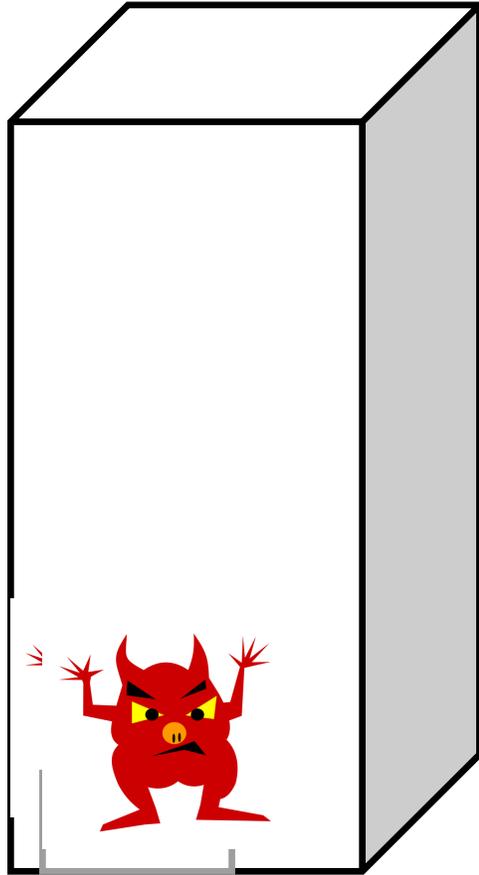
⁷ You will be accepted if you do what is right. But if you refuse to do what is right, then watch out! Sin is crouching at the door, eager to control you. But you must subdue it and be its master.”

⁸ One day Cain suggested to his brother, “Let’s go out into the fields.” And while they were in the field, Cain attacked his brother, Abel, and killed him.









Find Scripture to combat the Stronghold.

Memorize it. Quote it daily. Reflect on it.

Digest it.

