

## **The Advent Incursion**

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*December 8, 2024*

**Text:** *Revelation 12:1-17*

### **How We Think about God's Archenemy**

- Be aware but \_\_\_\_\_.
- Satan is a \_\_\_\_\_ enemy.
- Resistance is mostly \_\_\_\_\_.

### **Live Faithfully by the Truth**

- Satan's major weapons are \_\_\_\_\_.
- The compliment to truth is \_\_\_\_\_.

### **Value the Wilderness**

- The goal of Christianity is not \_\_\_\_\_.
- God will \_\_\_\_\_ you in the wilderness.

## **Life Enrichment**

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What about today's teaching challenged, disturbed, or encouraged you?

- How could King Herod view the birth of an infant as a hostile act (see Mt 2)? What do you think was going on behind the scenes of Herod's decision?
- Why do you think some people choose not to believe in the existence of Satan and demons? How would you define an "unhealthy interest" in them?
- What does revelation 12 teach us about God's archenemy?
- What are some of Satan's "desperate" actions as a defeated foe? How do we see these at work in our present era?
- Why do you think John defines resisting the devil through lifestyle rather than limited sporadic activities? How does Romans 12:21 help us more completely define spiritual warfare?
- Considering the ongoing spiritual conflict in which we live, why is it imperative for believers to read and understand the Bible? Are there any sufficient substitutes for the Bible? Why or why not?
- Why do you think the Bible constantly holds out faithfulness as an essential trait for Christ-followers?
- What does the symbol of the wilderness teach us about the Christian life? Why do you think there is such a significant desire among even Christian people to live problem-free?
- How do you plan to engage the spiritual battle this week?