

# Lies I Tell God's People

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First let me introduce myself. I am the devil, satan, lucifer. I am rightly called in the scriptures "The liar and the father of lies," "The accuser" and "The deceiver of the brethren". Jesus called me the one who comes to "steal kill and destroy."

I accomplish this work mainly through lies. It is my primary means of destruction and I initiated it in the garden with Adam and Eve. I caused them to doubt the goodness of their God and the result was the downfall of the world. The lie was simple ..... I told them that God's word was not true, and that He was trying to withhold something from them. It was all downhill from there until Jesus came and uncovered my works and stripped me of true power. But I still cause a lot of destruction among the children of God because they don't really understand or believe what Jesus accomplished for them on the cross, what He taught and what the scriptures say about me, and the defeat that He accomplished against me.

The following is how I steal from, kill and destroy the children of God today:

1. I tell them that I am a myth, a religious superstition or fairytale, that talking about me and my works is foolish and not necessary. If they believe this then I can get them to believe that anything bad that happens is just part of life or the sovereign will of their God. I then can slowly turn them to believe that their God is not really good and even convince them that He is causing the evil that is happening to them or around them. One of the ways I do this is telling them that God corrects, disciplines, matures and teaches through sickness, pain and severe hardship. I am overjoyed when they describe many of the tragedies that happen as "acts of God."
2. I tell them that although they received forgiveness of sins and eternal life, they didn't get much else from the sacrifice of Jesus and the cross. Therefore I can convince them that they don't have an inheritance in this life, just in the life to come. I keep them only looking to the sweet by and by, and eternity and never looking for or expecting blessing or abundance in the here now. I try to convince them, with the help of religious spirits who are my associates, that hardship, sickness, lack and long term pain, sadness, depression and fear are just part of a normal life. I tell them to think that expecting blessing and favor is pride. And whenever any of God's ministers preach or teach about an abundant life that can be filled with joy, health and abundance these teachers are false prophets and preachers of a "prosperity doctrine." I try very hard to water down scriptures that talk about blessing and abundance, relegating those things to the super holy, spiritually advanced and to eternity but rarely to a here and now reality.

3. I tell them that they actually deserve bad things to happen to them because of their sins, faults, mistakes and poor choices..... that they still owe for their sins ..... that Jesus going to the cross and dying was not quite enough and they need to suffer for their own sins. This keeps the children of God in a fearful and foreboding frame of mind and heart....always sort of worrying about what their God will do to them next.
4. I tell them that spiritual warfare does not pertain to them today, that God has me on a leash and I can only do what he allows me to do. They naïvely believe that God sends or willingly allows every thing that happens in life and they can not do anything to change that one way or the other, for good or for bad. Therefore I become their God's Pit Bull whom he sics on people when they step out of line or to accomplish His sovereign will. In this way I can get away with a lot and point the finger at their God or at their sins as the cause. I tell them there's not much they can do about the bad things that are happening to them or their loved ones. I convince them that the sovereignty of their God allows these things and therefore their God must actually want them to be happening in their life. Fortunately they choose not to believe the scriptures that tell them I am the one that runs around as a roaring lion seeking someone to destroy. They think these scriptures do not pertain to an actual battle. They have no idea that if they would but resist me I would flee according to the word of their God. It's easy to do this because very seldom is the power and authority that they have over me preached from the pulpits. For me, to get them to think they have no power or authority over me is the battle won!
5. I tell them that although Jesus gave power and authority to his disciples it ended with the death of the apostles, that they have none and power and authority no longer belongs to the disciples of Jesus today. In this way I cause them to feel weak and helpless in pretty much every adverse circumstance that I bring. I also tell them that being poor is more spiritual than having plenty, that God's blessing are only for the most holy, pure and faithful and also that the miracle they need is not available to them today. Because of ignorance and lack of or wrong teaching in the church, I keep them focused on the prayers that were seemingly not answered and the people that were seemingly not helped by their God. In this way They come to the lie that I have promoted in the church that the will of their God is different today than it was in the days of Jesus.
6. It is really important for me to keep them thinking and believing in terms of the law/old covenant/old testament and to try with everything I have at my disposal to hide all the blessing, provision, protection and power they have in the covenant established by Jesus. For them to think their God deals with them in an old testament/law way helps them to concentrate on trying to be perfect and focused on their sins, faults and

mistakes. I also a try to disparage and demean “Grace”. I try to convince them that grace can not be as good and as easy to have as it sounds. I even try to convince ministers and preachers to warn people against teaching about relying upon grace, claiming that people will sin if they hear how easy and good grace really is. I hate “grace” with all my heart because I don’t have the blessing of it any longer!

7. I try to play down the extent and depth of God’s love for them. It’s usually easy for me to make it conditional upon their behavior, their obedience and how much good they have been doing for their God lately. I am quick to heap guilt, condemnation and accusations on them when they step out of line in any way at all. I convince them that God removes his love if they are not perfect in every way. In most cases I can keep them walking around with a cloud of sadness surrounding them. Convincing God’s people of unworthiness is a key ploy of mine. I try hard to hide the fact that their worthiness has nothing to do with their actions or behavior but with what Jesus did for them at cross. It is a huge victory for me when I can convince them that the work of Jesus on the cross was not sufficient to cover every aspect of weakness on their part. This keeps many in a state of being overwhelmed and helpless with their faults and ready to quit Christianity altogether! I have seen thousands fall away because they have felt that they “just don’t measure up.”
8. In telling people that healing and the miraculous is really not for today or that it is extremely rare, I can keep people sick, hopeless and dependent on natural means for practically anything that they need. I successfully cause people to believe that if modern medicine cannot help them then there is no help at all (at least very little from their God) ....that if a financial adviser cannot help them there's really no help at all and that a psychologist or a psychiatrist and medication is the only answer they have for fear, anxiety, depression and other emotional or mental disorders. I try hard to hide the truth that Jesus never gave any person who came to him reason to stay sick, oppressed or depressed, and overturned my work every time.. It is a key in convincing people that although Jesus healed every person who came to Him, He no longer desires to do that today. I quickly point out people whom they may have prayed for who remained sick or even died. I use this as the evidence that their God simply does not heal today, thus keeping them from learning how they can be healed and even heal others in need. I even use a fatalistic argument that everyone has to die sick, hiding the fact that not everyone in the scriptures died sick and that many simply “fell asleep” and that not everyone has to die prematurely. Concealing the fact that Jesus raised people who died prematurely from the dead is important. When they hear the stories about people being healed or having miracles in other ministries, I use suspicion of doctrinal correctness, error or excess to keep them from investigating or listening to the ministers involved or I tell them that God has more mercy in third world countries than here. In the end I can convince many that healing

and the miraculous is just simply not for them and ruin any faith or expectation on their part.

9. I find it necessary to lie in the area of their God wanting them to be like Jesus in every way. I tell them that it is good to be kind, loving, caring, giving and compassionate..... but I tell them it is prideful and not humble to think that they can be used by their God to heal and to do the miraculous. I hide the fact that Jesus wants them fully conformed into His image and to carry on the mission that he had and that he gave to all of his followers down to the ages. For me this is huge and keeps healing and the miraculous at the hands of ordinary believers out of reach. Therefore the cycle of less and less people being healed continues. I also try to add to the scriptures. Even though Jesus said “ anyone who believes in me the works that I do shall they do and greater works ...” I simply tell them that this really doesn’t mean what it says and their God only uses special, super holy and gifted people for these works.
10. Although Jesus said that the truth of his words would completely set them free, I continually undermine the truth, the scriptures and the promises of their God. I tell them that relying completely on the promises of scripture makes them a “ name it and claim it” type of person. I diligently try to hide the fact that Jesus, when he was tempted by me in the wilderness, only used the written word of God as for His victory over me (very humiliating). I simply tell them that Jesus could do that but they can’t. Therefore they completely underestimate the devastating power of the word of God used against me. I laugh when they don’t resist me in the power of Jesus name and with the written promises of their God. I actually have fun seeing them squirm under my assaults when they just don’t know I must flee if resisted.
11. I am so happy that they are clueless about how holy and blameless they are before their God, clueless that they are the head over me and not the tail, clueless about how deeply loved, forgiven and accepted they are, clueless that they are more than a conqueror, and clueless that their healing was provided for by Jesus 2000 years ago and that they simply need to believe that and receive what He has already done and tell the sickness and me to go to hell! I am so happy when they feel guilty and condemned when the word of God says they are free from condemnation, happy when they feel unrighteous when the scriptures calls them the righteousness of God in Christ, happy when they feel like unworthy worms when they are called by God as his workmanship, a holy people, a royal priesthood, sons and daughters of The Most High, happy to keep them in fear and anxiety when the peace of God is at their disposal, happy when they think they are weak and small when God says they can do all things through Jesus Christ who is there to strengthen them.

12. What really delights me is when I can cause division when they view passionate brothers and sisters who are experiencing different manifestations of the Holy Spirit than they are, as fanatical or in “excess and error”. I actually keep them in their own error, by portraying those people as living an “unbalanced Christian life” as one that they don’t do, believe or adhere to. I overemphasize “decently and in order” to the exclusion of any encounter they may have with a very powerful God. I try to hide the fact that the day of Pentecost wasn’t very orderly.
13. I successfully use a few scriptures to confuse them about the will of their God to heal. For instance, I’m trying to convince them that Paul’s thorn was sickness and not people who were dogging him and getting him thrown in jail. I try to convince them that his thorn was a “messenger from God” and not a “messenger from satan” I try to convince all of them that any sickness could be their own thorn sent by their God even though they have never been caught up to the third heaven, which was the reason for the thorn in the first place. I use passages like this and the story of Job to overshadow the overwhelming evidence that it is their God’s desire to heal as demonstrated powerfully and consistently by the life of Jesus who showed His fathers will by only doing what He saw the Father doing.” I simply have them buy into the lie that things are different today and their God is just not doing the same things and His will has changed.

All in all, things are going quite well with my ministry of lies but I dread the days when God’s children will really know and deeply understand the truth about me and how victorious a life they could have.