LIFEGROUPS

Sermon Series: *Unseen*   **Scripture:** 1 Peter 5:8-9   **Date:** October 6 & 7, 2018
Message: *Meet the Enemy*

—[**LET'S START**]—

This is the start of our new sermon series – *Unseen: Victory Against Evil's Attacks*. Find a partner (the person who has a birthday closest to your own) and share what you perceive to be some of the common ideas regarding the Devil.

—[**LET'S TALK**]—

1. Have the person with the birthday closest to today read 1 Peter 5:8-9 aloud to the group. Why would Peter write this to encourage a group of Gentile believers who lived in the area of what is now called Turkey? What do you know of the persecution early Christians faced under the rule of the Roman Emperor Nero?

2. Satan was created by God as an angel. Read Isaiah 14:12-15 regarding his pride and rebellion against God. He and his followers were cast out of Heaven. What are some of his limitations?

3. What are some of the ways the Devil works to maneuver us away from God? Please give examples with explanations. What have you seen that was the most subtle form of his manipulations?

4. What are some important elements that would be good to include in your prayers as you seek to cast your cares on God while under attack by evil (see Philippians 4:6 and Ephesians 6:10-18)?

—[LET'S ACT]—

The messages in this sermon series will build one upon the other. Make a resolution to be here for every message or to watch them online to help you achieve *Victory Against Evil's Attacks*.

—[SERMON REVIEW]—
- Global Partners in Nepal are facing persecution for their faith in Jesus.
- In 1 Peter 5:8-9, Peter warns the early Christians about their enemy, the Devil, and encourages them to stand firm in their faith.
- The Devil is:
    o Real.
    o Created by God.
    o A limited spirit being.
    o The leader of an evil organization.
- The Devil works to:
    o Discourage us.
    o Deceive us.
    o Destroy us.
- Humility is to know one's true position before God as a dependent child.
- Satan preys on our pride.
- Jesus has already won!

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