

## **The Lusts Satan Perpetrates**

- Satan, or enemy/adversary, has the ability to disrupt the Christian's thinking in arriving at a conclusion. He does this in order to incite one of his lust (2 Cor. 2:11; 4:4; 11:3).
- Satan attacks through the human spirit or rationale.
- Satan cannot incite man's sin nature; however, he certainly can take advantage of the sin nature's activity.
- Satan as god of this Present Evil Age is opposed to Christians manifesting Eternal Life (2 Cor. 4:4).
- Job is an example of Satan manipulating circumstances in order to tempt a human: weather/climate, armies, disease, and other people.
- Satan attempts to have Christians act **1**. Independent of God (Gen. 3:5).
- The logical progression of a Satanic attack: **2**. Disappointment "Why me?" (Job 3:1-13); **3**. Discouragement "God doesn't care about my problems." (Job 19:1-19); **4**. Bitterness (Job 7:11; 10:1; Acts 8:23; Eph. 4:31; Heb. 12:15); **5**. Doubt is spiritual things (Rom. 14:23).

### **The Lusts Satan puts in Christian's minds.**

- 6.** Cowardliness regarding spiritual things.
  - 1) Peter (Lu. 22:31-34; Jn. 18:15-17, 25-27).
  - 2) Paul (Acts 18:1-5; 9-11 *cf.* 1 Cor. 2:1-5).
  - 3) Timothy (2 Tim. 1:15; 7-8; 2:1-8; *cf.* 1 Thes. 5:22; Eph. 6:17).
  - 4) "Butterflies", failure to speak, or voice the whole truth about God.