
BIBLE TALK - “STOP! THIEF!”

Introduction

Ask people to share about a time they had an item or items stolen from them. If so, how did they feel? How did that theft, even if it was minor, affect their lives and outlook? What feelings did they have towards the individual(s) that stole from them?

(You might have time for only a few people to share...)

John 10:10

Q: What objects or things would you most hate to have stolen and why?

Q: What types of things does Satan want to steal from us?

Q: What are the signs in someone’s life that reveal they have been victims of Satan’s thievery?

Q: On the other hand, what things does Jesus want to offer us? What are the signs of those things in our lives?

Philippians 4:4-8

Q: What are some qualities that describe a joyful person?

Q: How is a professional thief different from a petty robber?

Q: Which type of robber is Satan?

Q: What are the techniques Satan uses to steal our joy?

Q: What things do we do that make it easier for Satan to steal our joy?

Q: How can we prepare our minds and hearts to counteract Satan’s attacks?

Application

Mark 3:27 “In fact, no one can enter a strong man’s house without first tying him up. Then he can plunder the strong man’s house.”

This is one of Jesus’ shortest parables in the bible. We are either tied up by Satan, or we tie Satan up...

Determine this week to tie up Satan through specific prayer, daily bible-study and God honoring (and truly fulfilling) activities. Deliberately plan these types of activities in your schedule prior to each week and put a “stop to the thief”!
