

How to Recognize and Overcome Evil

- I Recognizing evil is not always easy. (People who can see evil can rise above it. Those who don't are more susceptible to be controlled by it)
 - A. Evil masquerades as good and hides behind good intentions. (II Corinthians 11:13-15)
 - B. Evil wins when we are fearful. (II Timothy 1:7-10; Matthew 10:16-26)
 - C. Evil seeks control and gives death while Christ gives freedom and life. (John 8:31-36, John 10:10)
 - D. Evil flourishes with lies and hates the truth. (John 8:44-45)
- II. Overcoming Evil
 - A. Avoid pride at all costs and humbly submit yourselves to renew your mind in His Word. (Romans 12:1-2; Proverbs 16:8; James 4:7)
 - B. Cling to the good and overcome evil with good. (Romans 12:9, 21)
 - C. Develop a passionate hatred for evil but a deep and abiding hunger for righteousness. (Feed what you want to see grow in your life).(Matthew 5:6)
 - D. Immerse yourself in God's Word (Psalm 1)
 - E. Recognize the role of the church in your life in helping you fight against evil. (Hebrews 10:22-25).