



Coaching Tool:

God Redeems What Satan Destroys

Pain and suffering always comes from God as punishment. Satan isn't the culprit.	Vs.	Every good thing comes from God. Satan is the one who steals, kills, and destroys.
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Examples Of What The Enemy Wants You To Think:

- God is using my circumstances to punish me.
- I am not worthy of blessings.
- My life is so hard because God doesn't care about me.
- God doesn't love me because I'm in so much pain.
- Nothing seems to work out, so God must have forgotten me.
- I've sinned in my past, so God will never love or accept me.
- I'm not worthy of forgiveness.

God's Truth Says:

"The thief does not come except to **steal, kill and destroy**. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly." - John 10:10

"We wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places." - Ephesians 6:12

You can discern Satan's handiwork by looking for these kinds of fruit:

1) Where there is Loss (steal)

- a. The enemy can cause physical theft from a break-in. But he also incites intangible thefts like lost opportunities.
- b. Mentally, we fight a battle with Satan every day. He strives and tempts us to believe any lie that he can. Because the more lies we believe, the further he can tear us away from God's love and peace.



- c. Luckily, our God is bigger and literally created and owns ALL the resources that ever were. He is capable of providing everything we need, despite Satan's attempts.

2. Death (kill)

- a. Doctors generally agree that about 80% of illnesses are caused by stress, which is rooted in fear. God says He has "not given us a spirit of fear, but of power, love and sound mind." (2 Timothy 1:7) Illness can effectively kill our dreams, hope, energy, relationships, career, as well as our bodies. And while God redeems those losses, Satan is the one who attempted to cause the death to begin with.
- b. Murder is too often a reality in our world. Whether on the battlefield or in the home, you can bet Satan was the instigator spreading his lies of hate.
- c. While it may be too late for God to redeem murder in the lives of the victims, He absolutely works to redeem the murder through the lives of those who were touched by the victim, perpetrator or tragedy in some way.

3. Destruction (destroy)

- a. One of the most valuable ways Satan tries to destroy is through division in relationships. In other words, his strategy is to, "divide and conquer." He attempts to do this in churches, personal relationships, and with our relationship with God as well.
- b. Blaming & hating God or others for the brokenness inspired by Satan, only continues to help Satan's cause. It keeps us divided and closes the door to the healing and restorative work God wants to do.

Listen To This Song:

Broken Vessels (Amazing Grace) by Hillsong

Questions To Help You Process This Concept:

1. Have you been blaming God for the evil in the world? Or have you been recognizing that Satan is trying to steal, kill, and destroy?

2. What has Satan stolen from you that you previously attributed to God's will?
3. How have you seen God redeem a loss, murder, or destruction in someone else's life?
4. Which of the lies listed above have you believed in the past, or struggle with today?
5. Do you see how God can restore you? Your health, relationships, finances, or jobs.



Exercise:

1. Get two sheets of paper.
2. Write down good things that have happened on one and bad things on the other.
3. Thank God for everything on the good list.
4. Look at the bad list and ask God to show you the ways He has redeemed those things (personal growth, closer relationship with God, restored relationships with others, Godly character—humility, peace, etc.)