



Sermon Questions

May 19, 2024 | Scripture: *Matthew 6:9-13 (Deliver Us from Evil)*

Pre-study: 3 things from the sermon. *Note down 3 ideas, illustrations, quotes, or points that made an impression in the sermon.*

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- 2.
- 3.

Core Questions

1. Consider the kind of things that people must be delivered from. What does the choice of this word suggest about our need for God in the face of evil?
2. The Bible does not talk about evil as an abstract concept separate from the person of Satan, rather speaking of him as the evil one, the deceiver, the father of lies, and the settled enemy of God. How does this contrast with other conceptions of evil?
3. Just as we tend to underestimate our adversary, we tend to underestimate our deliverer. 1 John 3:8b says, 'The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the works of the devil.' How does this influence our understanding of evil in the world?

Inward Grace in Action

4. Jesus commands us to pray this kind of prayer as part of our regular pattern of prayer—not just when faced with immediate evil. Read the quotation from Spurgeon at the bottom of the page. Can you testify to such seasons, and God's deliverance in them?

Outward Grace in Action

5. The problem of evil is often held up as a defeater argument against Christian faith, yet every system of belief, personal or formal, must answer the same problem. How is the person and work of Jesus good news to lost people facing evil?

WORSHIP THROUGHOUT THE WEEK

Reflect on these

Scriptures:

- Job 1
- Psalm 56
- Joel 2:12-27
- Luke 4:1-13
- Luke 10:17-20
- Ephesians 6:10-20
- 1 John 3:1-10

Serve: interested in helping to lead your CG, or start one in the future? Come to [Explore Leading a CG](#) on June 2nd.

Pray: Many are facing overwhelming evil, in our country and overseas. Spend time bringing them before the Lord.

Reach out if you need assistance:

- Call our church office at 703.821.0800
- Request aid from our Deacons' Fund: deaconsfund@mcleanpres.org

We must be always on our watch against Satan, because, like a thief, he gives no intimation of his approach. Believers who have had experience of the ways of Satan, know that there are certain seasons when he will most probably make an attack, just as at certain seasons bleak winds may be expected; thus the Christian is put on a double guard by fear of danger, and the danger is averted by preparing to meet it. Prevention is better than cure: it is better to be so well armed that the devil will not attack you, than to endure the perils of the fight, even though you come off a conqueror.

Charles Spurgeon, *Morning and Evening*