

Understanding the Roaring Lion

1 Peter 5:8

“Be sober, be vigilant;
because your adversary the
devil, as a roaring lion,
walketh about, seeking
whom he may devour:”



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- *What is the outcome?*

Introduction



- Lion's Roar
- Are Lions Real?
- Is God Real?
- Is the Bible True?
- Why Do People Find it Difficult to Believe the Devil is Real?



**Who is
the
Roaring Lion?**

1 Peter 5:8

- **Devil-GK** (opponent)
Luke 8:12
- **Satan-HB** (adversary)
Mark 4:15
- **Wicked one-** Matt 13:19
- Murderer/liar/father of
lies **John 8:44**, accuser
of brethren **Rev. 12:10**₄

How does he work?

****Deception-twisting truth**
2 Corinthians 11:3

****Discouragement- using our
weaknesses to defeat us**
2 Corinthians 2:11

****Distraction-weakening our faith
through sufferings** **1 Peter 5:7**

****Division-breaking unity of
believers** **2 Corinthians 11:14**



What are his qualities?

- Determined-
 - Accused* Job: **Chapt 1-2**
 - Tempted* Christ: **Matt 4**
 - Desired* Peter: **Luke 23:31**
 - Contended* Michael: **Jude 9**
- Constant pursuit-
 - “Devil comes” **Job 1:7; Luke 8:11**
 - Are we in pursuit?
 - Matthew 6:33; James 1:25**-looks, continue, doesn't forget, does
- Are we that determined?
 - 1 Corinthians 2:2**

What are his qualities?

Efficient

1 John 5:19 “under the sway of the wicked one”

Ephesians 6:16 “fiery dart” or “flaming arrows”

Are we that efficient?-**2 Timothy 2:3-4**

What is our Defense?

Sober

Be clear-minded/
self-disciplined

Vigilant

recognize sin/
spiritually alert

Resist

use God's word as
defense **v.9**

Be Firm

Convicted/Convinced
James 4:7

Put on arm-our
Ephesians 6:11





What is the outcome?

Victory is assured

Hebrews 2:14

Revelation 20:10



Conclusion:

Which will be your
eternal fate?

Matthew 25:34 or 41?

Invitation

Why not come to God?

Hear

Believe

Repent

Confess Christ's name

Submit to baptism

Live Faithfully

Why not remove sin?

Repent

Confess sin

Pray Forgiveness

Live Righteously