



# THE SIMPLE LIFE

Satan called a worldwide convention. In his opening address to his evil angels, he said, “We cannot keep Christians from going to church. We can’t keep them from reading their Bibles or saying their prayers. But we can keep them from forming an intimate relationship with Christ. If they gain that connection, our power over them is broken.”

“So let them go to church, but steal their time so they can’t gain the experience of knowing Christ. This is what I want you to do, my evil angels: Distract them from connecting with God throughout the day.”

“How shall we do this?” shouted the evil angels—for they were eager to do a good job for their Boss.

“Keep them busy in the nonessentials of life. Invent unnumbered schemes to occupy their minds,” he answered.

“Tempt them to spend, spend, spend and then borrow, borrow, borrow. Convince them to go to work seven days a week, ten hours a day so they can afford their lifestyles. Keep them from spending time with their children. As their family life begins to fragment, soon their home will offer no escape from the pressures of work.”

“Overstimulate their minds so that they cannot hear that still small voice within. Entice them to play with their mobile devices whenever they have a slight pause in their day; shopping on line, reading their emails, texting and posting. This will jam their minds and break their concentration and make it hard to be still. That will break their union.”

“Pound their minds with News 24 hours a day. Flood their email and their mailboxes with junk mail, sweepstakes, promos, free products, services and false hopes.”

“Let them be involved in soul-winning, but crowd their lives with so many good causes that they have no time to speak power from Christ. Soon they will be working from their own strength, sacrificing their health and family unity for the good of The Cause.”

It was quite a convention in the end. And the evil angels went eagerly to their assignments causing Christians everywhere to get busy, busy, busy, rushing here and there—getting no where.

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