Luke Lesson 17 Handout

Luke 4:34  “Let us alone! What business do we have with each other, Jesus of Nazareth? Have You come to destroy us? I know who You are—the Holy One of God!”

Matthew 14:1–2 (NASB95)
1 At that time Herod the tetrarch heard the news about Jesus,
2 and said to his servants, “This is John the Baptist; he has risen from the dead, and that is why miraculous powers are at work in him.”

Mark 6:3 (NASB95)
3 “Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary, and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon? Are not His sisters here with us?” And they took offense at Him.

Luke 2:19 (NASB95)
19 But Mary treasured all these things, pondering them in her heart.

Mark 8:27–30 (NASB95)
27 Jesus went out, along with His disciples, to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way He questioned His disciples, saying to them, “Who do people say that I am?”
28 They told Him, saying, “John the Baptist; and others say Elijah; but others, one of the prophets.”
And He continued by questioning them, “But who do you say that I am?” Peter answered and said to Him, “You are the Christ.”

James 2:19 (AMP)

You believe that God is one; you do well. So do the demons believe and shudder [in terror and horror such as make a man’s hair stand on end and contract the surface of his skin]!

Luke 4:35 But Jesus rebuked him, saying, “Be quiet and come out of him!” And when the demon had thrown him down in the midst of the people, he came out of him without doing him any harm.

And amazement came upon them all, and they began talking with one another saying, “What is this message? For with authority and power He commands the unclean spirits and they come out.”

And the report about Him was spreading into every locality in the surrounding district.

C.S. Lewis in Screwtape Letters: There are two equal and opposite errors into which our race can fall about the devils. One is to disbelieve in their existence. The other is to believe and feel an excessive and unhealthy interest in them.

Isa 14:12-15

Luke 10:18 (AMP)

Ezekiel 28:11–19
Job 1:6–9 (AMP)

6 Now there was a day when the sons (the angels) of God came to present themselves before the Lord, and Satan (the adversary and accuser) also came among them.

7 And the Lord said to Satan, From where did you come? Then Satan answered the Lord, From going to and fro on the earth and from walking up and down on it.

8 And the Lord said to Satan, Have you considered My servant Job, that there is none like him on the earth, a blameless and upright man, one who [reverently] fears God and abstains from and shuns evil [because it is wrong]?  

9 Then Satan answered the Lord, Does Job [reverently] fear God for nothing?

Zechariah 3:1–4 (AMP)

1 THEN [the guiding angel] showed me Joshua the high priest standing before the Angel of the Lord, and Satan standing at Joshua’s right hand to be his adversary and to accuse him.

Luke 8:30–31 (NASB95)

30 And Jesus asked him, “What is your name?” And he said, “Legion”; for many demons had entered him.

31 They were imploring Him not to command them to go away into the abyss.
Revelation 9:1–2 (AMP)

1 THEN THE fifth angel blew [his] trumpet, and I saw a star that had fallen from the sky to the earth; and to the angel was given the key of the shaft of the Abyss (the bottomless pit).

2 He opened the long shaft of the Abyss (the bottomless pit), and smoke like the smoke of a huge furnace puffed out of the long shaft, so that the sun and the atmosphere were darkened by the smoke from the long shaft.

Ephesians 6:11–13 (AMP)

11 Put on God’s whole armor [the armor of a heavy-armed soldier which God supplies], that you may be able successfully to stand up against [all] the strategies and the deceits of the devil.

12 For we are not wrestling with flesh and blood [contending only with physical opponents], but against the despotisms, against the powers, against [the master spirits who are] the world rulers of this present darkness, against the spirit forces of wickedness in the heavenly (supernatural) sphere.

13 Therefore put on God’s complete armor, that you may be able to resist and stand your ground on the evil day [of danger], and, having done all [the crisis demands], to stand [firmly in your place].

Bullet-Proof Body Armor for Kids
In the wake of the horrific tragedy in Newton, this story is neither humorous nor far-fetched. It’s just sad. According to *Mother Jones* magazine, after the most recent school shootings, sales for bullet-proof equipment for school-
aged children are booming. A bullet-proof Disney Princess backpack from a company called Amendment II retails for $300. The president of the company recently said, ""I can't go into exact sales numbers, but basically we tripled our sales volume of backpacks that we typically do in a month—in one week." They also offer the Centurion tactical vest for children at the modest price of $499. At least a half-dozen other companies are offering variations of the armored backpack, many of which explicitly play to fears of another Columbine. One of the ads says, "When the unthinkable happens, you want your children to be just as protected as you are."

Ephesians 6:14  
Stand firm therefore, HAVING GIRDED YOUR LOINS WITH TRUTH,

In his book *By Grace Alone*, Sinclair Ferguson identifies four major "fiery darts" Satan uses to unsettle believers and rob them of their assurance and peace in the gospel:

Fiery Dart 1: "God is against you," Satan says. "He is not really for you. How can you believe he is for you when you see the things that are happening in your life?"

Fiery Dart 2: "I have accusations I will bring against you because of your sins," Satan argues. "What can you say in defense? Nothing."

Fiery Dart 3: "You can say you are forgiven, but there is a payback day coming—a condemnation day," Satan insinuates. "How will you defend yourself then?"

Fiery Dart 4: "Given your track record, what hope is there that you will persevere to the end?" Satan asks.
Ephesians 14b  and HAVING PUT ON THE BREASTPLATE OF
RIGHTEOUSNESS,

15 and having shod YOUR FEET WITH THE PREPARATION OF THE
GOSPEL OF PEACE;

16 in addition to all, taking up the shield of faith with which
you will be able to extinguish all the flaming arrows of the
evil one,

17 And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the
Spirit, which is the word of God.

Luke 4:38  Then He got up and left the synagogue, and
entered Simon’s home. Now Simon’s mother-in-law was
suffering from a high fever, and they asked Him to help
her.

39 And standing over her, He rebuked the fever, and it left
her; and she immediately got up and waited on them.

2 Corinthians 12:7–10 (NASB95)

7 Because of the surpassing greatness of the revelations,
for this reason, to keep me from exalting myself, there was
given me a thorn in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to
torment me—to keep me from exalting myself!

8 Concerning this I implored the Lord three times that it
might leave me.

9 And He has said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for
power is perfected in weakness.” Most gladly, therefore, I
will rather boast about my weaknesses, so that the power
of Christ may dwell in me.
Therefore I am well content with weaknesses, with insults, with distresses, with persecutions, with difficulties, for Christ’s sake; for when I am weak, then I am strong.

In the fall of 2000, doctors diagnosed Pastor Ed Dobson with ALS (Lou Gehrig's disease), an incurable and fatal disease. The doctors gave him two to five years to live and predicted that he would spend most of that time in a disabled condition.

Shortly after he was diagnosed, Ed wanted someone to anoint him with oil and pray for healing. And he wanted someone to pray who really believed in healing. So Ed invited a friend, a Pentecostal pastor who had regular healing services, to come over and pray for him. Here's how Ed described what happened:

It was one of the most moving evenings of my entire life. He began by telling stories of people he had prayed for who were miraculously healed. He also told stories about people he had prayed for who were not healed and had passed away, receiving that ultimate and final healing. Before he prayed for me he gave me some advice.

"Don't become obsessed with getting healed, Ed," he said. "If you get obsessed [with getting healed], you will lose your focus. Get lost in the wonder of God, and who knows what he will do for you."

This is some of the best advice I have ever received .... Since that night, I've been trying to get—and stay—lost in the wonder of God.

*Ed Dobson, Seeing through the Fog (David C. Cook, 2012), page 110*
2 Corinthians 1:3–4 (NASB95)

3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort,

4 who comforts us in all our affliction so that we will be able to comfort those who are in any affliction with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God.

Luke 4:40 While the sun was setting, all those who had any who were sick with various diseases brought them to Him; and laying His hands on each one of them, He was healing them.

41 Demons also were coming out of many, shouting, “You are the Son of God!” But rebuking them, He would not allow them to speak, because they knew Him to be the Christ.