

# NOTES

## PUBLIC ENEMY #1

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EZEKIEL 28; EPHESIANS 6

### Introduction

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Is a Deadly \_\_\_\_\_

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2. \_\_\_\_\_ Is a Dangerous \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_ Is an Essential \_\_\_\_\_

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS FOR FAMILY, FRIENDS & GROUPS

1. What percent of Americans believe in the devil, according to a recent survey? (*Answer at the bottom; don't look until you've guessed.*) Why do you think people don't believe in Satan these days?
2. Which way do you lean with regard to Satan: a) I give him too much credit for the evil in the world and in my life; b) I am too unaware of him? Explain.
3. Read Ezekiel 28:1-9. What were the two causes ("w" words) of Tyre's pride and how do those pride-causes manifest themselves in today's culture? How did Daniel (v.3) demonstrate his wisdom (recap his story)? How was Daniel's wisdom different from Tyre's? (Hint: consider the source.)
4. Cite some contemporary examples of our culture's "wisdom" being contrary to God's. Why do we sometimes (often?) act as if we know better than God? Describe a situation in which you struggled to submit to God's wisdom.
5. Read Deuteronomy 8:17, 18 and I Corinthians 4:7. What is the source of pride in these verses? What would God say to the person who objects: "God didn't give me anything--I worked for it."
6. The sermon cited the speaker at a recent Christ Community Church Business Owners Breakfast, who said he has two ways of reminding himself that every dollar he makes comes from God. Describe each of those ways and what they teach us about our wealth.
7. Read Ezekiel 28:12-17. What phrases in this passage seem to describe Satan (and not just the king of Tyre)? Explain.
8. Read Isaiah 14:12-15 and Revelation 12:1-10. Make a list of what you learn about Satan from these passages. Read I Peter 5:8. How does this make you feel?
9. Read Ephesians 6:13-17 and identify the six pieces of spiritual armor. Find and read the pages from Pastor Jim's book, Prayer Coach, that describe these pieces of armor (middle of the last chapter on Satan). Practice praying on each piece, one at a time.
10. Read Ephesians 6:18-20. What word is repeated (in one form or another) 5X in this paragraph? Why is this our essential defense against Satan and his demons?
11. Explain the following three prayer-tips (from the close of the sermon) and note why each one is important: Identify what's behind each sin you confess. Ask Jesus to free you from demonic control. Invite others to pray for you when life situations make you vulnerable to the enemy.
12. What's your most important takeaway from this study?  
*Question #1 answer: 58% of Americans believe in the devil.*