## TAKE ACTION

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# In the beginning:

# The Fall of Lucifer (Revelation 12:9)

The great dragon was hurled down—that ancient serpent called the devil, or Satan, who leads the whole world astray. He was hurled to the earth, and his angels with him.

### The Fall of man (Genesis 3:1)

Now the serpent was more crafty than any of the wild animals the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God really say, 'You must not eat from any tree in the garden'?"

## Reconciliation with God - only by God:

## Christ and the cross (John 19:30)

"It is finished"

## The battle for your soul (John 10:10)

"The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full."

### Join the fight!:

### Know the enemy (Ephesians 6:12 KJV)

For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.

We must put on the full armor of God. Here is a brief description, found in Ephesians 6:

- belt of truth,
- breastplate of righteousness,
- feet fitted with the readiness from the gospel of peace
- shield of faith
- helmet of salvation
- sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

#### Call to ACTION (Luke 10:19)

"I have given you authority to trample on snakes and scorpions and to overcome all the power of the enemy; nothing will harm you."

#### You choose (John 3:18)

Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because they have not believed in the name of God's one and only Son.

This is a story of a guy who was sitting on a fence between accepting Christ or the world. He was unable to make a decision, and then the end came while he was still sitting on the fence. He wasn't a bad guy, so he thought he was okay. Then the devil came and collected all the people who were on his side of the fence and he also took the fence. **Making no choice is a choice.** 

Brothers and Sisters, the victory has already been won. Jesus Christ is coming soon. Make sure you're on the right side of the fence. Amen.

### Be ready (1 Peter 5:8-9)

Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. Resist him, standing firm in the faith, because you know that the family of believers throughout the world is undergoing the same kind of sufferings.

#### Be bold (Revelation 12:11 KJV)

And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death.