

Pastor Dwight McKissic Sr.: Don't Take the Bait

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Pastor Dwight McKissic Sr.: Don't Take the Bait (Ephesians 4:27; Luke 22:31-32)

Pastor Dwight McKissic Sr., senior pastor of [Cornerstone Baptist Church](#) in Arlington, Texas, exhorted his hearers not to give the devil any ground. The devil doesn't just use sex; the devil also uses pride, lying and other avenues of the "flesh."

McKissic cautioned against making "a permanent decision off a temporary emotion." He made the point through sharing the story of a person sent to prison as the result of a fight. The "tempter's snare" can be found in these heated moments. Spiritual warfare against the devil involves reasoning, processing, thinking before acting.

McKissic then turned to the moment at the Last Supper when Jesus told Simon Peter Satan asked to break him down. Jesus prayed for Peter, and Peter still decided to give in to temptation. Even so, Jesus restored Peter, delivering him from evil and establishing him as a leader of the church.

McKissic closed by encouraging his hearers that Jesus will do the same for them.

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