



FOOTHOLDS #1

THREAT AND VULNERABILITY ASSESSMENT

Call Study – Jason Park

“and do not give the devil a foothold.” Eph. 4:27

²⁵Therefore each of you must put off falsehood and speak truthfully to your neighbor, for we are all members of one body. ²⁶“In your anger do not sin”: Do not let the sun go down while you are still angry, ²⁷**and do not give the devil a foothold.** ²⁸Anyone who has been stealing must steal no longer, but must work, doing something useful with their own hands, that they may have something to share with those in need. ²⁹Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen. ³⁰And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. ³¹Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. ³²Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you. **Eph. 4:25-31**

WHERE ARE MEN UNDER **ATTACK**?

UNRESOLVED ANGER

¹²Therefore, as God’s chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. ¹³Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. **Col. 3:12-13**

SEXUAL TEMPTATION

It is God’s will that you should be sanctified: that you should avoid sexual immorality; that each of you should learn to control your own body in a way that is holy and honorable, not in passionate lust like the pagans, who do not know God. **1 Thes. 4:3-5**

SELF-RELIANCE AND PRIDE

God opposes the proud but shows favor to the humble. **James 4:6**

MATERIALISM AND GREED

¹⁹“Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moths and vermin destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. ²⁰But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moths and vermin do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. ²¹For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. **Matt. 6:19-21**

⁹Those who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. ¹⁰For the **love of money** is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs. **1. Tim. 6:9-10**

APATHY AND **NEGLECT**

⁸ Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. ⁹ 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. **1 Pet. 5:8-9**

¹² So, if you think you are standing firm, be careful that you don't fall! **1 Cor. 10:12**

Which of the above is your greatest weakness and your greatest strength?

Are you being attacked in an area that is not listed above?

THREAT ASSESSMENT

F.O.C.U.S.

F **FAITH AND CONFIDENCE** _____

The fundamental fact of existence is that this trust in God, this faith, is the firm foundation under everything that makes life worth living. It's our handle on what we can't see. The act of faith is what distinguished our ancestors, set them above the crowd. **Heb. 11:1-2**

O **OBEDIENCE TO GOD** _____

Walk in obedience to all that the Lord your God has commanded you, so that you may live and prosper and prolong your days in the land that you will possess. **Deu. 5:33**

If you love me, keep my commands. **Jn. 14:15**

C **CONNECTED WITH OTHER MEN** _____

²⁴ And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, ²⁵ not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching. **Heb. 10:24-25**

U **UNDERSTANDING GOD'S WORD** _____

Keep this Book of the Law always on your lips; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful. **Joshua 1:8**

The beginning of wisdom is this: Get wisdom. Though it cost all you have, get understanding. **Proverbs 4:7**

S **SELF-CONTROL OF THOUGHTS AND ACTIONS** _____

For the grace of God has appeared that offers salvation to all people. It teaches us to say 'No' to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age. **Titus 2:11-12**

Rate each from 1 (weak) to 5 (strong). Discuss the lowest-scored section. Why and how can this change?

FOCUS BEGIN IN OUR **MINDS**

We demolish arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God, and we take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ. **2 Cor. 10:5**

How can we pray for you?

2025 READING PLAN
New Testament/Psalms/Proverbs

