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 - “those who love little, because they know little of God’s love... show themselves **rigid, implacable, irreconcilable,** even to the penitent” - James Denney

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 - **Pride - Greed - Worldliness - Relationships**
 - Satan knows the *“one thing”* we won’t give up...

HE'S GOT HELPERS

(MATT. 13:24-30, 38-42)

- The “*tares*” or “*weeds*” are Satan’s children (38)
 - “a pseudo-believer (false Christian)” – HELPS Word-studies
 - “in” the kingdom (41) but not “*sons of the kingdom*”
- **False** because of their **actions**
 - “*stumbling blocks*” and “*causes of sin*” (ESV)
 - “*commit lawlessness*” or act “without law” – HELPS



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- *“Prince of Darkness”* passes for an *“angel of light”*
 - He will look good, sound good and seem good
 - Satan deceives (11:3) then leads astray
- His helpers have disguises too (11:13)
 - *“false”* – “deceitful, lying, untrue” – Strong’s
 - Can describe **character** or **teaching** or **both**
 - They will be judged according to their **deeds** (11:15)

HE'S AFTER YOUR HEART

(MATT. 13:19)

- If he gets **the word** out of your heart, he has it
 - His scheme is to replace the word in your heart
 - His devices will “add to” or “take from” the word
- **Fill your heart with God's word**
- **Put your armor on (Eph. 6:1)**
 - *“Put on the full armor of God, so that you will be able to stand firm against the **schemes** of the devil.”*



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“... and one of the elders said to me, ‘Stop weeping; **behold, the Lion that is from the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has overcome so as to open the book and its seven seals.**’

*And I saw between the throne (with the four living creatures) and the elders a **Lamb** standing, as if slain...”*

-Rev. 5:5-6



