

# “DEATH IN THE KINGDOM”

Delivered to DANVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH

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## Remember a Church Usually Gets Sick Before It Dies

Gen.3:1

“Now the serpent was more subtle than any beast of the field...”

**Satanic subtlety:** This is his best discipline.

In your life: Most look at Satan as a nuisance at best.

Life of others: The cause of their pain and misery.

The **Lord** and **Satan** have two different messages.

The **Lord** says deal with it.

**Satan** says leave it alone.

### 3 Areas of Satan's Interest

Proverbs 4:23

“Keep thy heart with all diligence, for out of it are the issues of life.”

**1] Problems (sins) in your life:** What is wrong with my life? It is probably the relation you have with this world. This world will abuse you, knock you down and walk all over you. (Unless you escape to your fantasy world-television-shopping-vacation-Drug alcohol-) It won't leave you for dead. It will be back. It will constantly abuse you. It will consistently beat you down. [Open line of communication with God a must]

**Problems to be addressed:** Addiction-Depression-Anxiety- a Loose Constitution- Insatiability

Psalm 68:6

“God setteth the solitary in families...”

“God is he that joins, couples single ones into a couple, as one:" **some copies add,**  
"to build an house out of them;" **that is, a family.**

**2] Problems (sins) in your family:** Far more complex simply due to the multiple lives involved. Complexity exists also, due to nature/commitment level.

**Spouse relation:** Have you vowed to God “to keep” person in relation –

**Other Family** -“cutting your losses” are an option.

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**Note:** Open line of communication is preferred but not always possible with parties involved. This happens, most likely, when godly principles are ignored.

**1 Cor. 12:27**

**“Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it.”**

**3] Problems (sins) in your church:** The most critical relation. It will always be an accurate reflection of how you are relating to Christ. Satan is aware of the risk/reward factor for himself and for you.

**A]** As long as you have a guarded pulpit – it's unlikely to hear the word “I don't believe in the Trinity” But will you hear “my opinion is”? You just opened heresies door. Look at Webster's Dictionary to get definition of heresy.

Look at the Bible.

**“If any man speak let him speak as the oracles of God.” 1 Peter 4:11**

**B]** As long as you don't guard membership – you are fulfilling the will of Satan.

Laxity in discipline is sure sign of apostasy! Satan says “don't deal with it”

**“Take heed unto thyself, and unto the doctrine; continue in them:” 1 Tim. 4:16**

When he calls you home are you going?

When he calls you to heaven are you going?

**\*\*Quote Brong; Christ church –pp38 bottom paragraph**

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