

# The Strong Man

## Parables: Part 2

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### Learn to compare the order of your \_\_\_\_\_ with Jesus' order.

*Then He went home, and the crowd gathered again so that they were not even able to eat. When His family heard this, they set out to restrain Him, because they said, "He's out of His mind."*

*The scribes who had come down from Jerusalem said, "He has Beelzebul in Him!" and, "He drives out demons by the ruler of the demons!"*

*So He summoned them and spoke to them in parables: "How can Satan drive out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if Satan rebels against himself and is divided, he cannot stand but is finished.*

*"On the other hand, no one can enter a strong man's house and rob his possessions unless he first ties up the strong man. Then he will rob his house."*

Mark 3:20-27

### \_\_\_\_\_ is the strong man.

*"I assure you: People will be forgiven for all sins and whatever blasphemies they may blaspheme. But whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit never has forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin" – because they were saying, "He has an unclean spirit."*

Mark 3:28-30

### Don't miss: All types of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ can be forgiven!

*Then His mother and His brothers came, and standing outside, they sent word to Him and called Him. A crowd was sitting around Him and told Him, "Look, Your mother, Your brothers, and Your sisters are outside asking for You."*

*He replied to them, "Who are My mother and My brothers?" And looking about at those who were sitting in a circle around Him, He said, "Here are My mother and My brothers! Whoever does the will of God is My brother and sister and mother."*

Mark 3:31-35

*He was in the world, and the world was created through Him, yet the world did not recognize Him. He came to His own, and His own people did not receive Him. But to all who did receive Him, He gave them the right to be children of God.*

John 1:10-12

### When you follow Jesus, you enter a spiritual \_\_\_\_\_!

### Talk It Over With Someone

1. How do you usually react to threatening situations?
2. In your life to this point, have you tended toward taking Satan too seriously or not seriously enough?
3. How does it affect your approach to life to think that Jesus has already overpowered Satan enough to start plundering Satan's kingdom?
4. What might this mean for how you as a Jesus follower can or should speak and act in our world today?

\* All scriptures from HCSB unless otherwise noted