

How Satan Deceives Believers When They Make These Judgments

John 7:24 says, "Do not judge according to appearance, but practice righteous judgment."

Many people are deceived because they are judging wrongly. We make decisions based on superficial things such as looks, fame, money, success and connections. Some feel if something is shiny, beautiful and appealing it's from God.

Take heed because every door, opportunity and person isn't of God. The enemy knows what our flesh desires, so he tempts us by placing various stumbling blocks in our path. The enemy disguises himself as an angel of light.

Second Corinthians 11:14 says, "And no wonder! For even Satan disguises himself as an angel of light."

When Saul was chosen as the king, people judged him by his outer appearance. He was popular because his father was well known. He was taller than anyone else and handsome (1 Sam. 9:2).

According to the people, Saul was destined to be king. He was the people's choice but not God's. The Lord foreknew of the calamity down the road of Saul's failures. However, the Lord gave the people what they wanted. The most popular candidate may not be the best person for the position.

Does the person have the heart of God? Are they anointed for the position? Does the person have any ulterior motives? Is the person God's choice or the people's choice?

When Samuel was sent to anoint one of Jesse's sons to be king, he judged by appearance. He thought because Eliab was tall and

handsome, he was the right choice. The Lord spoke and said that He sees according to the heart (1 Sam. 16:6-7).

God chooses to use whom He wants. May your heart be pure, so God can raise you up for these end times (1 Cor. 1:27).

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