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(James 4:7 NIV)  Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.

Submit = to be under obedience to God, Honoring His will.

To Submit means:

- Surrender
- Yield
- Comply
- Humble
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*To Submit To God Means...*

To Yield To His Authority
To Defer To His Will
To Commit Your Life To Him
To Be Willing To Follow Him

—Life Application Bible Notes

Whatever-- Whenever-- However-- Wherever!
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Submission Is The Recognition Of God’s Authority All Through Out Our Lives

‘Submit to God’ a military term meaning "get into your proper rank."

It Takes A Spirit-Filled Believing Christian To Submit To God And To Let Him Fight The Battles Of This Life
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There Is A Battle Going On For Our Destiny In Life

QUESTION: “Will I Submit To The Lord’s Will For My Life?”

You Must Make A Choice: A War Ends In Either Total Surrender Or Total Destruction
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Resisting the Devil:

- To Take A Stand Against Him
- To Exert Energy And Effort
- To Oppose The Devil
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The Word Of God Teaches The Reality Of Satan

▪ Jesus Believed In The Reality Of Satan
▪ We Must Acknowledge Satan’s Attempts To Destroy Us

“Satan Is Opposed To Our Maturity And Will Do Anything He Can To Keep Us From Realizing Who We Are And What We Have In Christ.”

Bondage Breaker
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We Don’t Have To Be Afraid Of Him

We Can Resist Him

He Will Flee From Us!
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We Resist The Devil By Submitting To God

We Submit In Our Desires – James 4:1
We Submit In Our Motives – James 4:3
We Submit In Our Choices – James 4:4
We Overcome Pride – James 4:6
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WE ARE GIVEN AUTHORITY TO RESIST SATAN

When Christ Comes Gives Us New Life -- We Are Given Authority Over Satan -- Satan Is No Longer In Charge

- A Renewed Position Of The Believers Authority.

Galatians 2:20 (NIV) (20) I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.
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• Our Authority Is Returned To Us Thru The Restoration Of Life That We Receive In Christ

• Our Current Position: We Have Authority To Resist Satan Even As We Are Locked In A Battle With Him
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Where Satan Must Be Resisted

In Trials, Tests, Temptations — Jas 1:2-18
In Listening And Not Doing — Jas 1:22-25
In Showing Favoritism — Jas 2:1-13
In Having Faith w/o Deeds — Jas 2:14-26
In The Untamed Tongue — Jas 3:1-12
In Harboring Envy & Ambition — Jas 3:13-14
In Choosing The World’s Wisdom Over God’s — Jas 3:15-18
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What Satan Is Up To:

- Liar & Murderer
- Deceiver & Tempter
- Initiates Sin
- Slanders Saints
- Inflicts Diseases
- Opposes The Righteous
- Ruins Souls And Bodies
- Preys Upon People
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The Arch-Enemy Of All Mankind

- He Blinds Minds Of Unbelievers
- He Contends w/ The Saints
- He Deceives Through:
  - Lying Promises
  - Misused Scripture
  - Cunning Plans
  - False Appearances
  - Counterfeit Miracles
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Scripture Keys To Resisting Satan:

Give No Foothold/ Keep Emotions In Check

Put On Full Armor Of God

Be Self-controlled & Alert

Resist Him Standing Firm In The Faith

Resist Him By Submitting To God – HE WILL FLEE!