



Way of the Eagle

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Dealing with the Serpent

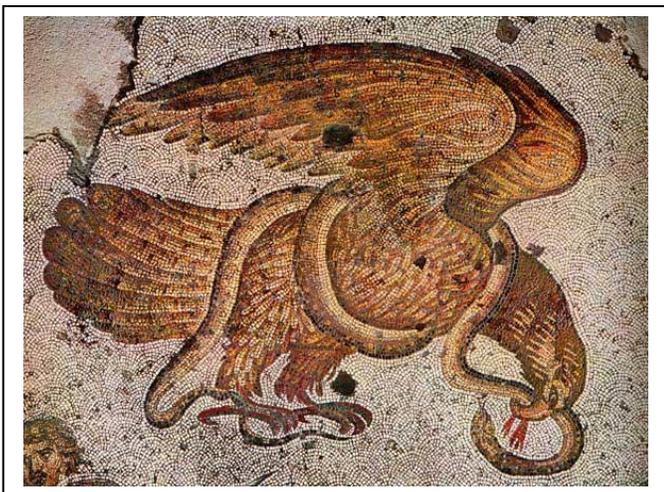
Eagle Christians, before they mature, willingly go through training in order not to stay in a comfortable nest for the rest of their life. Eagle Christians have no desire to be a pew sitter, listen to a sermon and then go home to do as they like for the rest of the week. They know that this is too dangerous!

But how does the eaglet Christian mature and learn to face the dangers of life? By being kicked out of the comfortable “nest” of their life whatever nest it may be: such as a home or church group that’s giving no spiritual food to prepare them for the “flight” nor teaches them how to develop their ministry or fight the enemy in the spirit.

The eagle’s enemy is the serpent, which is equivalent with the Christian’s enemy, which is that old serpent satan.

How does the eagle handle the serpent?

One way is the eagle uses its beak to peck the serpent to death.



Another way is when the female eagle hears her eaglets from the distance crying for help, she comes and snatches off the eagle’s head and feeds the body to the babies.

A good analogy here is when you discern danger in your Christian walk with God such as a person or group that the serpent has brought into your life that is tempting you or causing you to compromise or a situation in which you know the serpent is attacking you... pray fervently for help from God... also, command any and every evil entity that is attacking your mind, will and emotion, such as:

“I command right now that every form of evil spirit that is attacking my mind, and tempting me through others to compromise with God and my life, to be destroyed by the power of Jesus Christ. You have no power over me! I am bought with the blood of Jesus and I am free from every form of mental stronghold that evil puts in my path. I ask You Holy Spirit to right now come and fill me with the light and truth of God and bring healing to every part of my body, in Jesus name.”

You can also pray in tongues.

If you are a young Christian eaglet and you ignore the sin in your life or you don’t ask for help, you can easily fall prey to the serpent.

The serpent is always looking for a way to attack you. Such as two single Christians tempted to be sexually involved before marriage and not seeking wise counsel... the serpent’s bite is close at hand. A bite of the serpent can leave a scar for the rest of their lives and even kill if the sin is unrepented.

Or there are worldly Christians (chickens, crows, vultures and turkeys) who participate in, accept and allow the serpent in their midst through sinful activities such as fornication, homosexuality, adultery, occultism, dead religious practises (idolaters), and sinful compromise in their lives and home or church group.

It's sort of like having an infected foot that you ignore, instead of going to the doctor, the Great Physician which is the Lord, for the prescription of how to protect the rest of the body. If the infected foot is not dealt with, the foot infects the whole leg, and then it moves to the other parts of the body. You and the whole body of Christ in this group can become diseased with sin brought in initially by another.

Paul said in **1 Corinthians 5** that we need to cut off such people from among us: **"¹It is actually reported that there is sexual immorality among you, impurity of a sort that is condemned and does not occur even among the heathen; for a man has [his own] father's wife: ²And you are proud and arrogant! And you ought rather to mourn (bow in sorrow and in shame) until the person who has done this [shameful] thing is removed from your fellowship and your midst! ³As for my attitude, though I am absent [from you] in body, I am present in spirit, and I have already decided and passed judgment, as if actually present, ⁴In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, on the man who has committed such a deed. When you and my own spirit are met together with the power of our Lord Jesus, ⁵You are to deliver this man over to Satan—for physical discipline [to destroy carnal lusts which prompted him to incest], that [his] spirit may [yet] be saved in the day of the Lord Jesus. ⁶[About the condition of your church] your boasting is not good [indeed, it is most unseemly and entirely out of place]. Do you not know that [just] a little leaven will ferment the whole lump [of dough]? ⁷Purge (clean out) the old leaven that you may be fresh (new) dough, still uncontaminated [as you are], for Christ, our Passover [Lamb], has been sacrificed. ⁸Therefore, let us keep the feast, not with old leaven, nor with leaven of vice and malice and wickedness, but with the unleavened [bread] of purity (nobility, honor) and sincerity and [unadulterated] truth. ⁹I wrote you in my [previous] letter not to associate [closely and habitually] with unchaste (impure) people--¹⁰Not [meaning of course that you must] altogether shun the immoral people of this world, or the greedy graspers and cheats and thieves or idolaters, since otherwise you would need to get out of the world and human society altogether! ¹¹But now I write to you not to associate with anyone who bears the name of [Christian] brother if he is known to be guilty of immorality or greed, or is an idolater [whose soul is devoted to any object that usurps the place of God], or is a person with a foul tongue [railing, abusing, reviling, slandering], or is a drunkard or a swindler or a robber. [No] you must not so much as eat with such a person. ¹²What [business] of mine is it and what right have I to judge outsiders? Is it not those inside [the church] upon whom you are to pass disciplinary judgment [passing censuring sentence on them as the facts require]? ¹³God alone sits in judgment on those who are outside. Drive out that wicked one from among you [expel him from your church]."**

You rarely find people standing up for righteousness and holiness in the body of Christ. Most will close their eyes to sin, because they don't want to offend anyone. I'm not saying you should kick out anyone in the church who falls into sin... if there is sincere repentance; there is a place for forgiveness.

Eagle Christians should be counsellors and teachers who are willing to help those who fall into sin and they should do it just like the Word says in **Galatians 6: 1** **"Brethren, if any person is overtaken in misconduct or sin of any sort, you who are spiritual [who are responsive to and controlled by the Spirit] should set him right and restore and reinstate him, without any sense of superiority and with all gentleness, keeping an attentive eye on yourself, lest you should be tempted also."**

Don't ignore or invite the serpent to take a bite into your life or allow yourself to be the catalyst to see others become infected. Keep yourself holy unto the Lord (**Numbers 15:40**)... keep deliberate sinners out of your life and the group you're involved with... if the home group or church group you attend doesn't want to deal with sin then leave to prevent the infection from spreading to you or having people outside the group believing that you accept sin.

"As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered. No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us." Romans 8:36-37 (English Standard Version)
Jesus is the strength, the force and the power that the Eagle Christian utilizes: **"The Lord is my Rock, my Fortress, and my Deliverer; my God, my keen and firm Strength in Whom I will trust and take refuge, my Shield, and the Horn of my salvation, my High Tower. I will call upon the Lord, Who is to be praised; so shall I be saved from my enemies." Psalm 18: 2-3**

The powerful Eagle Christian sees and discerns the serpent from a distance... it is spiritually in tune with God... its spiritual senses are kept in perfect condition. The Eagle Christian is a conqueror and rules over its domain. The Eagle Christian doesn't allow the serpent in its midst, but destroys it!