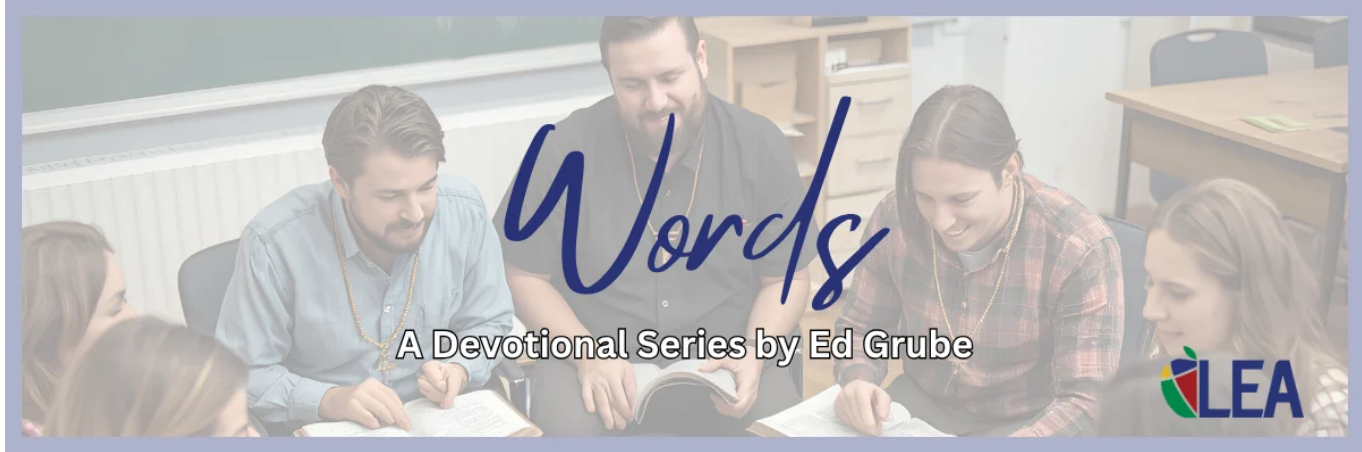




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One Little Word

You know how it is. Little lies multiply into gargantuan lies. Okay, so not always but certainly by potential. A long history of evil, misery, and deception, Satan stumbled into a single-word description of his fate. Did I say “stumbled”? How about “crashed” into defeat? Listen in on some powerful words shouted in Satan’s face:

And I heard a loud voice in heaven, saying, “Now the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ have come, for the accuser of our brothers has been thrown down, who accuses them day and night before our God (Revelation 2:10).

Why did God object so vehemently to Satan’s wiles and wanton attacks? God was angry because Satan said that God’s faithful followers weren’t telling the truth about this statement:

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness (1 John 1:9).

The devil’s lies packed quite a spiritual punch with lots of consequences for millions of people. Satan was indeed one four-letter word. Satan was indeed the liar and God wanted His multitude of believers to know the truth.

Wouldn’t it be nice for believers to create a little comeback word to replace “liar?” You might say, “Jesus.” So when you sing *A Mighty Fortress* with gasps of gusto this Reformation Day, when you get to the part that proclaims “one little word” will fell Satan, remember Who it was who did the felling. All by Himself. For you and for those in your classroom, family, and millions of people you don’t even know.

And so we pray dear Holy Spirit, spread the Good News about Jesus and His truth through our teaching and living wherever you go. As Scripture says:

Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth (John 17:17).

Question for consideration and prayer: *What lies has Satan used on you? What has Christ done about them?*

See a Psalm: [Psalm 120:2](#)

Put a song in your heart: [Mighty Fortress](#) Of interest to some: A [representative text](#) of the hymn.)

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**A joyful heart is good medicine,
But a crushed spirit dries up the bones—Prov. 17:22 ESV**

