When the Devil Knocks:

The Destroyer

Stay alert! <u>Watch out for your great enemy, the devil</u>. He prowls around like a roaring lion, <u>looking for someone to devour</u>. 1 Peter 5:8 NLT

Satan rose up against Israel and incited David to take a census of Israel. 1 Chronicles 21:1

But Joab did not include Levi and Benjamin in the numbering, because the king's command was <u>repulsive to him.</u> ⁷ <u>This command was also evil in the sight of God</u>; so he punished Israel. 1 Chronicles 21:6-7

... "I have sinned against the Lord." ... 2 Samuel 12:13

"I have sinned greatly by doing this..." 1 Chronicles 21:8

THE DEADLY SIN OF PRIDE

• YOU MAY NEVER BE MORE <u>VULNERABLE</u> THAN WHEN YOU ARE FULL OF PRIDE.

But after Uzziah became powerful, his pride led to his downfall. ... 2 Chronicles 26:16

Pride precedes destruction; an arrogant spirit appears before a fall. Proverbs 16:18 ISV

... "<u>God opposes the proud</u> but <u>shows favor to the humble</u>." ⁷ Submit yourselves, then, to God. <u>Resist the devil</u>, and <u>he will flee from you</u>. ⁸ Come near to God and he will come near to you ... ¹⁰ <u>Humble yourselves before the Lord</u>, and he will lift you up. James 4:6-8, 10