

"Arise, take the young Child and His mother, flee to Egypt, and stay there until I bring you word"

Matthew 2:13

What are some of the evils from which we ought to flee? (1)

- 1. Immorality: "Flee also youthful lusts; but pursue righteousness, faith, love, peace with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart."
 2 Tim 2:22
- 2. Bad company: "Do not be deceived: 'Evil company corrupts good habits." 1 Cor 15:33
- 3. Anger and seeking revenge

What are some of the evils from which we ought to flee? (2)

4. Foolish disputes: "But avoid foolish and ignorant disputes, knowing that they generate strife" <u>2 Tim 2:23</u>

Why we should flee those kinds of evil? (1)

1. Because we are not stronger than the temptation:

"For she has cast down many wounded, And all who were slain by her were strong men"

Proverbs 7:26

2. Even if we win the battle, our hearts will be stained with sinful thoughts.

Why we should flee those kinds of evil? (2)

- 3. Because we might be trapped from the first experience.
- 4. Avoiding the first step is much easier than fighting with a weakened will.

What is required in order to flee?

- Discernment: "A prudent man foresees evil and hides himself, But the simple pass on and are punished" *Proverbs 22:3*
- 2. Humility and submission
- 3. Courage: "But he left his garment in her hand, and fled and ran outside." *Genesis 39:12*