

## Daily Devotion For December 7, 2022

“Our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms”. Ephesians 6:12

On this date in history, Dec. 7, 1941, the naval forces of the Empire of Japan achieved total surprise in their early morning attack on Pearl Harbor. Absolutely nobody in a U.S. uniform saw it coming. In fact, even when the bombers, torpedo planes, and Zeros with their “rising sun” insignia flew directly overhead, many U.S. personnel thought it was just a training exercise. Church members from Wintersburg Presbyterian Church in Santa Ana shared with me that they saw the planes flying over their heads when they were young children growing up on Oahu.

While the attack on Pearl Harbor was a devastating attack on the U.S., today we have an enemy who is even more dangerous than any earthly threat or evil all rolled into one. Satan, the prince of darkness, has committed himself to destroying the relationship that exists between believers and Jesus and fully plans to enjoy all the suffering that he can inflict on them. All too often people don’t see his work and are caught by surprise at the destruction he causes.

**Thought For Today:** Satan is alive and well and sneaking around to destroy the hearts and lives of believers. What preparations will you make daily so as not to be caught off guard by our enemy?

**Today’s Prayer Focus:** Pray that daily you will put on the full armor of God so as to defend yourself against the attacks of our enemy, Satan. Deo Volente.