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THE ORIGIN OF SATAN



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Satan—The Enemy

As Christians, we are engaged in a titanic struggle with the forces of darkness. *It is essential that we know the battleground that we are fighting on and the enemy that is opposing us.* In order to be successful in a warfare, we need to know our weapons and the terrain in which we are engaged in battle. The enemy wants to destroy Jesus, but he cannot get to Jesus, so he will try to get to us because we are Ambassadors for Christ; we are the representatives of the Kingdom of God.

We are not glorifying Satan when we talk about him. We are exposing him for who he really is. There are many who do not even believe there is such a being as Satan. In society, we have made a cartoon character out of him. You see him in a red suit with a long tail and pitch fork and horns. When we see him in the movies, he is made out to be some kind of joke. But he does exist, and he is winning far too many battles when it comes to the family of God. Whether you know it or not, you can do something about him.

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Satan—God's Enemy

The first thing we need to do is establish as best we can from the Word of God the origin or the beginnings of this personage. I have heard people say, "there is really no personal devil (Satan). The idea of a devil is simply a state of mind, conceptualized by religionists to cause us fear," but let's see what the Bible has to say on the subject!

How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! how art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations!

For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north:

I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High.

Yet thou shalt be brought down to hell, to the sides of the pit.

Isaiah 14:12-15

Lucifer is Satan's technical or given name when he was created in the beginning. This is not a human being, this is a heavenly being. He did not fall from earth, he fell from heaven.

Moreover the word of the Lord came unto me, saying,

Son of man, take up a lamentation upon the king of Tyrus, and say unto him, Thus saith the Lord God; Thou sealest up the sum, full of wisdom, and perfect in beauty.

Thou has been in Eden the garden of God; every precious stone was thy covering, the sardius, topaz, and the diamond, the beryl, the onyx, and the jasper, the sapphire, the emerald, and the carbuncle, and gold: the workmanship of thy tabrets and of thy pipes was prepared in thee in the day that thou wast created.

Thou art the anointed cherub that covereth; and I have set thee so: thou wast upon the holy mountain of God; thou hast walked up and down in the midst of the stones of fire.

(A cherub is an angel, not a man, not an earthly king but a supernatural being, one beyond the realm of flesh and blood.)

Thou wast perfect in thy ways from the day that thou wast created, till iniquity was found in thee.

By the multitude of thy merchandise they have filled the midst of thee with violence, and thou hast sinned: therefore I will cast thee as profane out of the mountain of God: and I will destroy thee, O covering cherub, from the midst of the stones of fire.

Thine heart was lifted up because of thy beauty, thou hast corrupted thy wisdom by reason of thy brightness: I will cast thee to the ground, I will lay thee before kings, that they may behold thee.

Ezekiel 28:11-17

This is a description of that angelic being, called Satan. There is revelation knowledge that God gives, and *I believe that in my spirit I understand this,* but you do not have to accept it and your salvation is not based on it.

It appears that when God created this world originally, Satan, or Lucifer, was placed in charge of this earth-realm. When you read from the King

James Bible in Genesis, chapter 1, verse 1, it says, In the beginning. Literally, in the Hebrew it also says, "In beginning." But then in verse 2, it says, And the earth was without form, and void. Why would God create something without form and void? Then it says that there was darkness upon the face of the deep.

Literally in the Hebrew, it says, "there was chaos." God does not create chaos because chaos is confusion, and the Bible says God is not the author of confusion.

Why would God create a world, submerge it in water and then call the ground to come up out of the water to make continents and islands?

I believe that this being, Satan, was in charge of the earth, and his job was to bring the praise and worship and adoration of the creatures here in this earth-realm to God. He was a very beautiful angel; in fact, he was the most beautiful angel that God had created, and it says that because of his beauty his pride got in the way. Satan thought he was so beautiful that the praise and adoration of these earth-bound creatures ought to be directed to him and he said, "I will exalt my throne above the throne of God." So, he became perverted and blasted not only himself but the whole earth into a chaotic condition.

Actually, Genesis, chapter 1, verse 2 to the end of the chapter, is really not the story of creation but rather, it is the *story of restoration.* The only things that are really created are the animals and man. Everything else God said, LET THE. EARTH BRING FORTH. Why? Because in that chaos, everything in the earth-realm was destroyed and plunged into darkness. The Bible says that God is light!

For thus saith the Lord that created the heavens; God himself that

formed the earth and made it; he hath established it, he created it not in vain, he formed it to be inhabited: I am the Lord; and there is none else.

Isaiah 45:18

In the Hebrew, the words "not in vain" literally mean "not without form."

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Satan—Earth's Enemy

There have been some lies told to try to perpetuate this idea of the origin of man. But archaeologists did not fabricate those bones that have been dug up out of the ground.

The Bible time clock indicates that the time from the Garden of Eden up until now is some 6,000 years—4,000 from Adam until Christ, and approximately another 2,000 years from Christ until now.

In the last 6,000 years of recorded history, *there have been no such animals as the Tyrannosaurus Rex, Brontosaurus, or any other dinosaurs* that have lived on the earth. Therefore these bones had to come from somewhere. I believe they are the bones of animals that existed in the pre-Adamic earth before it was plunged into chaos as a result of this angelic being, Satan. Those animals were all destroyed because of Satan's sin. The only things that God created in the first chapter of Genesis were the animals and man, at the end of the 6th day. He then said this to Adam, **Be fruitful, and multiply, and *replenish* the earth.** If it were the beginning or the first time for the earth's existence, He would have said, "Now be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth." But God said replenish the earth. Which means the earth must have been "plenished" in the first place. "Replenish" implies to do it again. This statement would have to mean there had to have been something already here.

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Satan—Man's Enemy

The Bible refers to three heavens. (There is no such thing in the Bible as seven heavens.) There is the atmosphere around this earth referred to as the firmament. The heaven where God the Father dwells and where His throne and the Golden City are is referred to as the third heaven. The heaven around the earth is the first heaven. There is a heaven in between the heaven where God lives and the earth-realm that is referred to in the Bible as the heavenlies.

When Satan was cast down from his position as bright star or son of the morning, he was cast out of the third heaven and cast into the heavenlies. From the position of the heavenlies, he has access in two directions.

Think of a salami sandwich—two slices of bread and a piece of salami. The salami is in between the two slices of bread; however, the salami touches both slices of bread, yet it is a separate entity. Think of the top slice of bread as the third heaven, think of the salami as the heavenlies, and think of the bottom slice of bread as the heaven that surrounds the earth. Satan operates in the salami area, and he has access to the bread both at the top and the bottom.

There is coming a day when *Satan will be totally and completely cast out of the heavenlies,* and he will have no more access to any heavenly place. Let's look at Job 1:6:

Now there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the Lord, and Satan came also among them.

Where do you think the Lord was when the sons of God came to present themselves before Him? He was in the third heaven. The sons of God are angelic beings. *They are not sons of God in the sense that we are,* but they are called sons of God because they are the creations of God. Note that this being, Satan, was already in existence even then.

The book of the Revelation says that Satan accuses us before the Father day and night. Well, the Father is in the third heaven, so obviously Satan has access to it. There is coming a day when he will be extradited into the earth-realm and that will be the only place he will be able to operate in until such time as he is cast into the lake of fire.

And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels,

And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven.

This has not happened yet, but this is that final event when Satan is going to be cast out of the heavenlies completely and totally into this earth-realm.

And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.

Revelation 12:7-9

Notice all these aliases. He is called the dragon, the serpent, the Devil, Satan, Lucifer, the king of Tyrus, the deceiver—all referring to the same person.

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Satan—The God of This World

In order to successfully contend for the faith that has been delivered to the saints, we must know our enemy. We must know that he exists, we must understand his mode of operation and we must understand how we are to view him. We are not glorifying Satan, but we are locating the enemy. The following scriptures give us more information concerning the *modus operandi* of this corrupt being.

Hereafter I will not talk much with you: for the prince of this world cometh, and hath nothing in me.

John 14:30

But if our gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost:

In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them.

2 Corinthians 4:3,4

It does not say the God of all the ages, the Creator, but the god of this world has blinded the minds of them that believe not. Therefore the god of this world could not be the Heavenly Father God, who so loved the world, that he gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. So this must be another god, the one who is also referred to as the prince or the ruler of this world.

Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience.

Satan is a dethroned angel, a fallen angel, a rebellious angel, and he is the god of this world.

And that they may recover themselves out of the snare of the devil, who are taken captive by him at his will.

2 Timothy 2:26

If the devil does not exist, how could one be trapped by him?

How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil....

Acts 10:38

From that verse of scripture, I take it that sickness and disease must be satanic oppression and that Satan is the oppressor and Jesus is the deliverer.

How could Jesus heal people that were oppressed by a devil that does not exist?

The Lord then answered him, and said, Thou hypocrite, doth not each one of you on the sabbath loose his ox or his ass from the stall, and lead him away to watering?

And ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan has bound, lo, these eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the sabbath day?

Luke 13:15,16

This woman's infirmity was not caused by God but by Satan. We see very clearly that Satan is unfortunately alive and doing well on planet earth.

For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war after the flesh.

2 Corinthians 10:3

No man that warreth entangleth himself with the affairs of this life; that he may please him who hath chosen him to be a soldier.

2 Timothy 2:4

The term *war* again implies an opponent, struggle, and conflict. If you are at war, you must have an enemy.

Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour.

1 Peter 5:8

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Satan—The Defeated

Satan will try to devour you with sickness, fear, poverty, disease, warfare, bloodshed, accidents—anything he can. Once you become aware of who he is and how he operates, and you become aware that he is already whipped and defeated, then you will stop allowing him to lord it over you. He will be out of business as far as you are concerned. Know that the devil and the demons are already defeated.

Christians need to stop blaming the Heavenly Father for their misfortunes—*it is the devil who is the problem.* You have authority over Satan and his demon forces. PRAISE GOD, *you are on top! You are a winner!* These evil forces can no longer lord it over you once you find out who you are and find out that they are *DEFEATED!*

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