

The Enemy (Satan)

Lesson 8- Spiritual Discipleship and Growth

Intro: Some people do not believe in the Devil, believing that he is a made up character that is used to scare people into church. Others believe that the Devil is dressed up in a red suit complete with horns, cloven feet and a long dragon's tail.

Both of these views of Satan are false!

The Devil is NOT A JOKE!!! He is very real, and he is very dangerous. In this lesson we will look at what the Bible says about our enemy.

Does Satan Exist?

A. The existence of Satan is referred to in seven Old Testament Books and nineteen New Testament Books.

B. Look up and read Matthew 4:1-11. Satan was very real in the life of our Lord Jesus Christ.

1. List the three names given to Satan in this passage.

_____ , _____ , _____ .

2. How many times do we see him tempt the Lord Jesus in the passage? ____

3. How did the Lord Jesus respond to the Devil's temptation?

"It is _____," (He used the Word of God)

The Origin of Satan:

Ezekiel 28:11-19

A. Is Satan a created or an eternal being? _____.

What verse did you find your answer? _____.

B. What was Satan before he sinned? The _____ .

What verse did you find your answer? _____.

C. According to verse 15, what change took place that dramatically altered Satan's original status? _____.

Where is Satan now?

A. According to Ephesians 2:2, Satan is the "prince of the power of the _____."

B. According to the Revelation 12:10, Satan can appear before God to accuse believers.

C. According to 1 Peter 5:8 and Job 1:7, Satan also is walking upon the _____.

From these passages, we learn that Satan is alive and very active in many areas. One day Satan will eventually end up in the Lake of Fire! But that day is not here yet! When Satan does get cast into Hell, he will not be the "king of hell", he will be tormented forever.

Satan's Working Among the Unsaved:

A. Look up: Matthew 13:38, John 8:44, Acts 13:10 and 1 John 3:10. According to these scriptures, what does God call those who are lost?

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B. Look up: 2 Corinthians 4:4. What is Satan's major work among the lost?

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Satan's Workings Among Real Christians:

Look up 1 John 4:4b.

Who is the One "that is in you?" _____

Who is the one "that is in the world?" _____

Who is the greatest? _____

It is very important that you know this fact because Satan is a very powerful being. The Bible teaches that he works with a whole kingdom of darkness, made up of angels that sinned with him at the beginning. The bible refers to these as "devils" (demons) and evil spirits. (Jude 6, Matthew 12:26, Ephesians 6:12)

- A. Satan can still _____ me. 1 Thessalonians 3:5
- B. Satan does _____ me. Revelation 12:9-10
- C. Satan will try to _____ me in my service for the Lord. 1 Thessalonians 2:18
- D. He will attempt to get Baptists to depart from the _____. 1 Timothy 4:1
- E. Sometimes, God will permit Satan to afflict Christians physically, but always for His glorious purpose. (Job 1:12, 2:4-7, and 2 Corinthians 12:7-10.

Closing:

Think about your own life and how Satan uses his wiles to render you useless for the Lord. What can you do? You can follow the leading of our Savior... Write down several verses that would help you overcome one of Satan's snares.

Verse 1:

Verse 2:

Verse 3:

Now to key is to put it to practice. Follow the Book!!