



SATAN'S FALL LINE

INTRODUCTION

We do not like to follow "losers"! This lesson will map out the destination of Satan. It is important that we understand this so we can "resist the Devil" and his temptations to pull us with him!

Sin is not a "smart idea". Satan would like for you to think as he does so you will end up just like him. We must not be ignorant of Satan's devices and sinning will not have the "pull" that it once had on our thinking. You can "exercise your senses" so you can discern what is good and what is evil. The Bible gives some definite guidelines as to who is good and what is evil but beyond that one has to have the "Holy Ghost" and "their senses" to be able to distinguish what is good and what is not good!

In looking at the destination of Satan we learn some valuable lessons that can apply to us today. When you really understand where Satan is going, it is much easier to combat him.

SCRIPTURAL BASIS

2 Cor 2:11 Lest Satan should get an advantage of us: for we are not ignorant of his devices. (KJV)

Eph 6:11 Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. KJV

Heb 5:14 But strong meat belongeth to them that are of full age, even those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern, both good and evil. (KJV)

I. ANGEL REFERENCES

Ø ANGEL - A member of an order of heavenly beings who are superior to man in power and intelligence. By nature angels are spiritual beings <Heb. 1:14>.

Heb 1:14 Are they not all ministering spirits, sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation?

Their nature is superior to human nature <Heb. 2:7>, and they have superhuman power and knowledge <2 Sam. 14:17,20; 2 Pet. 2:11>. They are not, however, all-powerful and all-knowing <Ps. 103:20; 2 Thes. 1:7>.

Heb 2:7 Thou madest him a little lower than the angels; thou crownedst him with glory and honour, and didst set him over the works of thy hands: KJV

2 Sam 14:17 Then thine handmaid said, The word of my lord the king shall now be comfortable: for as an angel of God, so is my lord the king to discern good and bad: therefore the LORD thy God will be with thee. KJV

2 Sam 14:20 To fetch about this form of speech hath thy servant Joab done this thing: and my lord is wise, according to the wisdom of an angel of God, to know all things that are in the earth. KJV

2 Peter 2:11 Whereas angels, which are greater in power and might, bring not railing accusation against them before the Lord. KJV

Ps 103:20 Bless the LORD, ye his angels, that excel in strength, that do his commandments, hearkening unto the voice of his word. KJV

2 Thess 1:7 And to you who are troubled rest with us, when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels, KJV

Artistic portrayals of angels as winged beings are generally without basis in the Bible. Rarely is an angel so described. (For exceptions, compare the CHERUBIM and SERAPHIM and the living creatures-- Ex. 25:20; Ezek. 1:6; Rev. 4:8.>)

Ø CHERUBIM

A CHERUB or a CHERIBIUM are the same creature. They have four wings and have hands and a face like a man.

Lucifer was like one of the angels carved over the mercy seat of the Ark of the Covenant.

Ex 25:20 And the cherubims shall stretch forth their wings on high, covering the mercy seat with their wings, and their faces shall look one to another; toward the mercy seat shall the faces of the cherubims be. KJV

Ezek 10:5 And the sound of the cherubims' wings was heard even to the outer court, as the voice of the Almighty God when he speaketh. (KJV)

Ezek 10:8 And there appeared in the cherubims the form of a man's hand under their wings. (KJV)

Ezek 1:5 Also out of the midst thereof came the likeness of four living creatures. And this was their appearance; they had the likeness of a man.

Ezek 1:8 And they had the bands of a man under their wings on their four sides; and they four had their faces and their wings.

Ezek 1:9 Their wings were joined one to another; they turned not when they went; they went every one straight forward.

Ezek 1:12 And they went every one straight forward: whither the spirit was to go, they went; and they turned not when they went. (KJV)

Ø SERAPHIM

A seraphim has six wings and can fly also.

Isa 6:2 Above it stood the seraphims: each one had six wings; with twain he covered his face, and with twain he covered his feet, and with twain he did fly. KJV

Isa 6:6 Then flew one of the seraphims unto me, having a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with the tongs from off the altar: KJV

Rev 4:8 And the four beasts had each of them six wings about him; and they were full of eyes within: and they rest not day and night, saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, which was, and is, and is to come. KJV

Ø THE RELATION OF ANGELS

Angels were created by God <Ps. 148:2,5> and were present to rejoice when He created the world <Job. 38:4-7>.

Ps 148:2 Praise ye him, all his angels: praise ye him, all his hosts. KJV

Ps 148:5 Let them praise the name of the LORD: for he commanded, and they were created. KJV

Job 38:4-7 Where wast thou when I laid the foundations of the earth? declare, if thou hast understanding.

5 Who hath laid the measures thereof, if thou knowest? or who hath stretched the line upon it?

6 Whereupon are the foundations thereof fastened? or who laid the corner stone thereof;

7 When the morning stars sang together, and all the sons of God shouted for joy? KJV

In their original state they were holy, but before the creation of the world some of them rebelled against God and lost this exalted position. The leading angel in this revolt became the devil, also known as SATAN <Gen. 3:4,14; Ezek. 28:12-16; Rev. 12:4,7-9>. Another of the fallen angels is named Abaddon or Apollyon <Rev. 9:11>, "the angel of the bottomless pit" [abyss], NASB, NIV, RSV.

NOTE: It is believed that both SATAN and ABADDON or APOLLYON are one and the same - the Devil.

Two of the vast companies of unfallen angels are named in the Bible. They are the archangels Michael <Dan. 10:13,21; 12:1; Jude 9; Rev. 12:7> and Gabriel <Dan. 8:16; 9:21; Luke 1:19,26>. Michael has the special task of caring for Israel, and Gabriel communicates special messages to God's servants.

MICHAEL

Michael is called an archangel.

Dan 10:13 But the prince of the kingdom of Persia withstood me one and twenty days: but, lo, Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me; and I remained there with the kings of Persia. KJV

Dan 10:21 But I will shew thee that which is noted in the scripture of truth: and there is none that holdeth with me in these things, but Michael your prince. KJV

Dan 12:1 And at that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people: and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time: and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book. KJV

Jude 1:9 Yet Michael the archangel, when contending with the devil he railing accusation, but said, The Lord rebuke thee. (KJV)

Rev 12:7-9 And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels,

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

9 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. KJV

ARCHANGEL - In the celestial hierarchy, a spiritual being next in rank above all angels. The word archangel occurs several times in the Bible. In the New Testament the voice of an archangel and the sounding of the trumpet of God will signal the coming of Christ for His people <1 Thes. 4:16> and Michael the archangel disputed with the devil about the body of Moses <Jude 9>. In the Old Testament, Michael is described as having a great power and authority <Dan. 10:13> and is the guardian of Israel <Dan. 10:21>, especially in the "time of trouble" in the last days <Dan. 12:1>.

GABRIEL

All appearances of Gabriel recorded in the Bible are connected with the promise about the coming of the Messiah. But one passage may link Gabriel with Christ's return. In Christian tradition, Gabriel is sometimes identified as the archangel whose voice is heard at the Second Coming of Christ <1 Thes. 4:16>. Although Gabriel is not mentioned by name in this passage, he is sometimes depicted as the trumpeter of the Last Judgment.

Dan 8:16 And I heard a man's voice between the banks of Ulai, which called, and said, Gabriel, make this man to understand the vision. KJV

Dan 9:21 Yea, whiles I was speaking in prayer, even the man Gabriel, whom I had seen in the vision at the beginning, being caused to fly swiftly, touched me about the time of the evening oblation. KJV

Luke 1:19 And the angel answering said unto him, I am Gabriel, that stand in the presence of God; and am sent to speak unto thee, and to shew thee these glad tidings. KJV

Luke 1:26 And in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God unto a city of Galilee, named Nazareth,

1 Thes 4:16 For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: (KJV)

The vast army of unfallen angels delight in praising the name of the Lord continually <Ps. 103:21; 148:1-2>. Large numbers of them remain at God's side, ready to do His every command <1 Kin. 22:19>. Angels in God's presence include the cherubim, seraphim, and living creatures (or living beings) <Ex. 25:20; Is. 6:2; Ezek. 1:5-6; Rev. 4:6>.

Unfallen angels are known for their reverence for God and their obedience to His will. Angels represent God in making significant announcements of good news <Gen. 18:9-10; Luke 1:13,30; 2:8-15>. On His behalf they also warn

of coming dangers <Gen. 18:16--19:29; Matt. 2:13>. In some cases they are God's agents in the destruction and judgment of evil <Gen. 19:13; 2 Sam. 24:16>. (from Nelson's Illustrated Bible Dictionary) (Copyright (C) 1986, Thomas Nelson Publishers)

II. ORIGIN OF SATAN - HEAVEN (STEP 1)

Ezek 28:13 Thou hast 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.

Ezek 28:14 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.

Ezek 28:15 Thou wast perfect in thy ways from the day that thou wast created, till iniquity was found in thee. (KJV)

Isa 14:12 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!

Isa 14:13 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.

Isa 14:14 I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High. (KJV) Luke 10:18 And he said unto them, I beheld Satan as lightning fall from heaven. (KJV)

From the above Scriptures we discover...

Satan was called Lucifer, son of the morning. He was an anointed cherub - an angel. God created him to be an angel. He was in the Garden of Eden. Every precious stone was his covering. He had pipes and tabrets. This referred to musical ability for worship. He was the anointed cherub that covered the Lord with worship. He was perfect until iniquity was found in him. Iniquity is rebellion against Divine authority - God. He fell like lightning from Heaven.

SATAN WAS FIRST AN ANGEL (An Anointed Cherub) IN THE HOLY MOUNT OF GOD. Since he was considered one of the greater angels like Michael and Gabriel we classify him as an ARCHANGEL also.

II. PRINCE & POWER OF AIR (STEP 2)

Luke 10:18 And he said unto them, I beheld Satan as lightning fall from heaven. (KJV)

Eph 2:2 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: (KJV)

Dan 10:12 Then said he unto me, Fear not, Daniel: for from the first day that thou didst set thine heart to understand, and to chasten thyself before thy God, thy words were heard, and I am come for thy words. (KJV)

Dan 10:13 But the prince of the kingdom of Persia withstood me one and twenty days: but, lo, Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me; and I

remained there with the kings of Persia. KJV)

When Lucifer fell from Heaven, like lightning, he became the prince of the power of the air. NOTE: It did not say King of the power of the air but PRINCE of the air. He will never be the King!

Some of his powers can include withstanding prayer requests. He even has princes set up over the earth to thwart the prayers of the saints. Where did these other angels come from?

Rev 12:4 And his tail drew the third part of the stars of heaven, and did cast them to the earth and the dragon stood before the woman which was ready to be delivered, for to devour her child as soon as it was born. (KJV)

This refers to Israel as the "woman", "her child" as Jesus, and the "dragon" as Satan. "The third part of the stars of heaven" refers to the fallen angels.

IV. HEADQUARTERS ON EARTH (STEP 3)

Satan will be cast down to the Earth in the Tribulation time. Notice that the "dragon" failed to kill the "child" and then tries to "drown" the "woman" - Israel. However, Israel will not drown like the Egyptians did because the earth will help Israel.

Rev 12:7 And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels, (KJV)

Rev 12:8 And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven. (KJV)

Rev 12:9 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. (KJV)

Rev 12:10 And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night. (KJV)

Rev 12:11 And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death. (KJV)

Rev 12:12 Therefore rejoice, ye heavens, and ye that dwell in them. Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and of the sea! for the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time. (KJV)

NOTE: The "heavens" were rejoicing because that Satan was no longer "prince and power of the air". He could no longer come before the throne of God and accuse "the brethren".

Rev 12:13 And when the dragon saw that he was cast unto the earth, he persecuted the woman which brought forth the man child. (KJV)

Rev 12:14 And to the woman were given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness, into her place, where she is nourished for a time, and times, and half a time, from the face of the serpent. (KJV)

Rev 12:15 And the serpent cast out of his mouth water as a flood after the woman, that he might cause her to be carried away of the flood. (KJV)

Rev 12:16 And the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed up the flood which the dragon cast out of his mouth. (KJV)

Ø THE TRINITY OF SATAN

Rev 16:12-13 And the sixth angel poured out his vial upon the great river Euphrates; and the water thereof was dried up, that the way of the kings of the east might be prepared.

13 And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs come out of ***the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet.*** KJV

Notice that there are three gods during the Tribulation Time that are ruling the earth.

The Dragon – Satan

The Beast – The one whose number is 666 and is given power by the Dragon

The False Prophet – the one who did many miracles to deceive the people

Rev 13:1-4 And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a beast rise up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy.

2 And the beast which I saw was like unto a leopard, and his feet were as the feet of a bear, and his mouth as the mouth of a lion: and the dragon gave him his power, and his seat, and great authority.

3 And I saw one of his heads as it were wounded to death; and his deadly wound was healed: and all the world wondered after the beast.

4 And they worshipped the dragon which gave power unto the beast: and they worshipped the beast, saying, Who is

like unto the beast? who is able to make war with him? KJV

Rev 19:20 And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone. KJV

V. BOTTOMLESS PIT (STEP 4)

During the time of the Millennial, Satan will be cast into the Bottomless Pit. Here cannot tempt or cause havoc on the earth. He will be released for just a short time before the Great White Throne Judgement. This will result in a spiritual battle called the Battle of God and Magog.

Rev 20:1 And I saw an angel come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand. (KJV)

NOTE: Just one of the Lord's angels with one hand can take care of the Devil!

Rev 20:2 And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years, (KJV)

Rev 20:3 And cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little season.

Rev 20:7 And when the thousand years are expired, Satan shall be loosed out of his prison, (KJV)

Rev 20:8 And shall go out to deceive the nations which are in the four quarters of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together to battle: the number of whom is as the sand of the sea. (KJV)

Rev 20:9 And they went up on the breadth of the earth, and compassed the camp of the saints about, and the beloved city: and fire came down from God out of heaven, and devoured them. (KJV)

He just never learns!

VI. THE LAKE OF FIRE (STEP 5)

The Final Destination of the Great Loser, Satan, is the Lake of Fire! Here he will spend eternity in the place designed for him. The Lake of Fire was not designed for man! Any person going there will choose to go there with the Devil and all of his fallen angels!

Rev 20:10 And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever. (KJV)

The devil, the dragon, will join the other two of the Unholy Trinity – the Beast and the False Prophet!

Rev 19:20 And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone. (KJV)

NOTE: The Devil was cast into the "bottomless pit" for 1,000 years and then after the Battle of God and Magog he was cast into the Lake of Fire where the Beast and False Prophet ARE! After 1,000 years they were still there! That is why this researcher believes in eternal damnation!

CONCLUSION

Satan is on a collision course with Hell! Those who follow him have the same mentality! You can recognize their "spirit" because they do not really care or think about tomorrow with its consequences. They are just thinking about today with its pleasure, etc. Let us think right!