

THE FALL OF SATAN (#2)

Gen.1:1-2 is part of a dateless eternal past. Last week we introduced three chaotic conditions of the earth that made it uninhabitable (Gen.1:2; Isa.14:17; 45:18).

We believe that these three chaotic conditions were the result of the Fall of Satan in the dateless eternal past. The King James Bible translated “Morning Star” of Isa.14:12 in Latin as Lucifer (light-bearer). The Webster dictionary defined Lucifer as “a fallen rebel archangel, the Devil” (pg.708).

**This lesson will study seven aspects of the Fall of Satan.
Watch for eleven special points associated with the Fall of Satan.**

1. “Morning Star” was Satan’s name prior to his fall.

Angels were created from the light of God. (1 John 1:5; Job 38:7; Isa.14:12) [son of Dawn].

He was a guardian cherub of the throne of God (Ezek.28:12-15) and archangel like Michael (Dan.12:1; Jude 9; Rev.12:7) and Gabriel (Dan.9:21-23) with authority over other angels.

2. Spiritual darkness was the result of Satan’s rebellion and fall (1 John 3:8; 2 Pet.2:4).

It was extended to the earth (Gen.1:2; Isa.14:12). Later it was extended to fallen human race (Acts 26:18; Col.1:13-14; 1 Pet.2:9).

Satan led 1/3 of the angels in revolt against the Plan of God in the third heaven (Rev.12:9; Isa.14:12-15; Ezek.28:17; 1 Tim.3:6-7; 5:15; Matt.12:24; Ezek.28:16-17; 1 John 3:8).

This angelic revolt resulted in two categories of angels: **fallen and holy**.

3. Some believe that God offered grace salvation to them, but they rejected it (Heb.2:1-8; Col.1:20; 2 Pet.2:4).

With their rejection of grace salvation, they were sentenced to the lake of fire at the end of human history (Matt.25:41; Rev.20:10, 15).

Satan appealed unsuccessfully this sentence and was given fallen names: Satan (adversary) and Devil (accuser) and (Evil One (opposed to God) (Job 1:6; 2:1-3; 1 John 5:19; Rev.12:9).

Some believe that **Sheol and the lake of fire** were created in eternity past (Gen.1:2; Luke 16:23; Matt.25:41; Rev.20:10, 14-15).

Because **angels were created from God’s light**, fallen angels of Genesis 6 were placed in Tartarus. A prison of total darkness (**2 Pet.2:4**; Jude 6, 13; 1 Pet.3:19; Rev.9:1-2, 11; 20:1-3).

4. Today the fallen angels are a highly organized army under Satan.

They are engaged in spiritual warfare against the Plan of God, the human race, Divine Institutions and the Church (Eph.2:1-3; 6:11-17; 2 Cor. 10:4-5; Matt.13:19, 38-39; 1Tim. 4:1, 16; 2 Tim.4:7-8).

- This is why we refer to this **spiritual warfare as the Angelic Conflict (A/C)**.

5. God created the earth to be inhabited by the human race (Ps.115: 16) and to resolve the Angelic Conflict (Gen.3; Ezek.28:17; Rev.12:7; Eph.6:17).

Therefore the human race was created in the image and likeness of God but little lower than the angels (Gen.1:26; 1 Cor.11:7; James 3:9; Heb.2:6-11; Ps.8:4-6).

Whenever the **holy angels observe human volition** choose grace salvation, they rejoice in heaven (Luke 15:7, 10; 1 Cor.4:9; 11:10; 1 Tim.5:21; 1 Pet.1:10-12).

Fallen angels, called demons trembled in presence of Jesus Christ (Matt.8:28-30).

Volition is the common denominator between angels and mankind. It makes angels and humans free agents to choose or reject God's grace plan.

Volition is tested in human race the same as angels in regards to grace salvation with the same consequences of rejection (Rev.20:10, 14-15; John 3:16-18; Rom.8:38-39).

6. Fall of Adam showed the angelic conflict extended to the volition of mankind

(Gen.2:17; 3:1; 2 Cor.11:3; 1Tim.2:14) (Matt.6:11; 2 Cor.2:11; Eph.4:27; 1 Pet.5:8; James 4:7).

Satan gained rulership of the world with the fall of Adam (John 12:31; 14:30; 16:11; 2 Cor.4:4).

Because of the fall of Adam, every member of the human race is physically born under judicial penalty of Adam's Original Sin (AOS) (Rom.5:12-21; 1 Cor.15:22) and in the **dominion of darkness** (Acts 26:18; Col.1:13-14; Eph.5:8).

7. The death, burial and resurrection of Jesus Christ remove every believer from the judicial penalty of AOS at moment of salvation (Acts 26:18; Col.1:13-14; 1 John 3:5, 8; Rom.2:19; 1 Cor.15:3-4; Rom.1:16).

Whenever a member of the human race believes the gospel of grace salvation, that **believer is placed IN Christ. A position superior to all angels** (2 Cor.5:17; Heb.1:1-14; 1 Cor.6:3; 2 Cor.4:4-6; Eph.5:8-14).