

Angels and Demons – Part 3

Demons: Who, What, Where?

Review: Lucifer to Satan, from Light-Bearer to Accuser, Tempter, Arch-enemy of Good, Deceiver, Dragon, Serpent

Ezekiel 18; Isaiah 14

- ❖ Filled with violence (because of abundance of trading)
Could not handle the anointing and the authority.
- ❖ Heart lifted up - pride (because of perfect beauty)
- ❖ Corrupted Wisdom (became deceived and deceiver (for the sake of his own splendor)
- ❖ Defiled his sanctuaries (by the multitude of his sins)

Five – “I Wills”

I will be like the most high.

I will ascend to the throne of God.

I will rule apart from God.

Self-rule vs. God's Rule.

Self-centered vs. God centered.

Man fell - became like Satan - self-centered and not God-centered

Demons: Who are they? What do they do?

Fallen spirit beings that rebelled with Satan and are now under his lordship.

POINT: SCRIPTURE IS NOT CLEAR AS TO WHERE THEY CAME FROM, BUT IS CLEAR ON THEIR EXISTENCE, WHAT THEY DO, AND OUR AUTHORITY OVER THEM IN CHRIST JESUS!

WHO ARE THEY?

NATURE: Spirit beings and bodiless

- ❖ Desire to indwell living beings; humans first and then animals.
- ❖ Stronger than men, but no match for Jesus.
- ❖ They know who Jesus is: Matt. 8:29, Matthew 8:29 (NKJV) ²⁹ And suddenly they cried out, saying, "What have we to do with You, Jesus, You Son of God? Have You come here to torment us before the time?"
- ❖ James 2:19 You believe that there is one God. You do well. Even the demons believe--and tremble!

CHARACTER: Wicked, unclean, and vicious: "As angels can ascend the heights of spirituality, demons reach the depths of hatred, lust, bitterness, perversion, and wickedness." Terry Law

Matthew 8:28 "When He had come to the other side, to the country of the Gergesenes, there met Him two demon-possessed *men*, coming out of the tombs, exceedingly fierce, so that no one could pass that way."

Matthew 12:43-45 "When an unclean spirit goes out of a man, he goes through dry places, seeking rest, and finds none. [44] Then he says, 'I will return to my house from which I came.' And when he comes, he finds it empty, swept, and put in order. [45] Then he goes and takes with him seven other spirits more wicked than himself, and they enter and dwell there; and the last state of that man is worse than the first. So shall it also be with this wicked generation."

THEIR PURPOSE: TO HINDER THE PURPOSES OF GOD -TO EXTEND THE POWER OF SATAN

WHAT DO THEY DO?

1. LIE AND DECIEVE - DELIVER FALSE DOCTRINES :

1 Timothy 4:1-2 (NKJV) ¹Now the Spirit expressly says that in latter times some will depart from the faith, giving heed to deceiving spirits and doctrines of demons, ² speaking lies in hypocrisy, having their own conscience seared with a hot iron, 2 Corinthians 11:4 (NKJV) ⁴For if he who comes preaches another Jesus whom we have not preached, or *if* you receive a different spirit which you have not received, or a different gospel which you have not accepted--you may well put up with it! 2 Corinthians 11:14 (NKJV)¹⁴ And no wonder! For Satan himself transforms himself into an angel of light.

2. BEHIND ALL IDOL WORSHIP: 1 Cor. 10:19-21 What am I saying then?

That an idol is anything, or what is offered to idols is anything? ²⁰Rather, that the things which the Gentiles sacrifice they sacrifice to demons and not to God, and I do not want you to have fellowship with demons. ²¹You cannot drink the cup of the Lord and the cup of demons; you cannot partake of the Lord's table and of the table of demons. Psalm 115:1. ⁴Their idols *are* silver and gold, The work of men's hands. ⁵They have mouths, but they do not speak; Eyes they have, but they do not see; ⁶They have ears, but they do not hear Noses they have, but they do not smell; ⁷They have hands, but they do not handle ;Feet they have, but they do not walk; Nor do they mutter through their throat. ⁸Those who make them are like them; *So is* everyone who trusts in them. **Behind all idolatry are demons....Satan is after worship!**

CAUSE PHYSICAL AFFLICTIONS:

DUMB SPIRIT - Matthew 9:32-33 (NKJV) ³² As they went out, behold, they brought to Him a man, mute and demon-possessed. ³³ And when the demon was cast out, the mute spoke. And the multitudes marveled, saying, "It was never seen like this in Israel!"

BLINDNESS - Matthew 12:22 (NKJV)²² Then one was brought to Him who was demon-possessed, blind and mute; and He healed him, so that the blind and mute man both spoke and saw.

INSANITY - **Luke 8:26-35 (NKJV)** ²⁶ Then they sailed to the country of the Gadarenes, which is opposite Galilee. ²⁷ And when He stepped out on the land, there met Him a certain man from the city who had demons for a long time. And he wore no clothes, nor did he live in a house but in the tombs. ²⁸ When he saw Jesus, he cried out, fell down before Him, and with a loud voice said, "What have I to do with You, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg You, do not torment me!" ²⁹ For He had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. For it had often seized him, and he was kept under guard, bound with chains and shackles; and he broke the bonds and was driven by the demon into the wilderness. ³⁰ Jesus asked him, saying, "What is your name?" And he said, "Legion," because many demons had entered him. ³¹ And they begged Him that He would not command them to go out into the abyss. ³² Now a herd of many swine was feeding there on the mountain. So they begged Him that He would permit them to enter them. And He permitted them. ³³ Then the demons went out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd ran violently down the steep place into the lake and drowned. ³⁴ When those who fed *them* saw what had happened, they fled and told *it* in the city and in the country. ³⁵ Then they went out to see what had happened, and came to Jesus, and found the man from whom the demons had departed, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid.

SUCICIDE -PERSONAL INJURIES - Matthew 17:15-21 (NKJV) ¹⁵ "Lord, have mercy on my son, for he is an epileptic and suffers severely; for he often falls into the fire and often into the water. ¹⁶ So I brought him to Your disciples, but they could not cure him." ¹⁷ Then Jesus answered and said, "O faithless and perverse generation, how long shall I be with you? How long shall I bear with you? Bring him here to Me." ¹⁸ And Jesus rebuked the demon, and it came out of him; and the child was cured from that very hour. ¹⁹ Then the disciples came to Jesus privately and said, "Why could we not cast it out?" ²⁰ So Jesus said to them, "Because of your unbelief; for assuredly, I say to you, if you have faith as a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move; and nothing will be impossible for you." ²¹ However, this kind does not go out except by prayer and fasting."

DEFECTS AND DEFORMATIES - Luke 13:11-17 (NKJV) ¹¹ And behold, there was a woman who had a spirit of infirmity eighteen years, and was bent over and could in no way raise *herself* up. ¹² But when Jesus saw her, He called *her* to *Him* and said to her, "Woman, you are loosed from your infirmity." ¹³ And He laid *His* hands on her, and immediately she was made straight, and glorified God. ¹⁴ But the ruler of the synagogue answered with indignation, because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath; and he said to the crowd, "There are six days on which men ought to work; therefore come and be healed on them, and not on the Sabbath day."

¹⁵ The Lord then answered him and said, "Hypocrite! Does not each one of you on the Sabbath loose his ox or donkey from the stall, and lead *it* away to water it? ¹⁶ So ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan has bound--think of it--for eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the Sabbath?" ¹⁷ And when He said these things, all His adversaries were put to shame; and all the multitude rejoiced for all the glorious things that were done by Him.

WHAT DO WE DO? CAST THEM OUT IN HIS NAME.

Matthew 10:8 (NKJV) ⁸ Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out demons. Freely you have received, freely give.

Mark 16:16-20 (NKJV) ¹⁶ He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned. ¹⁷ And these signs will follow those who believe: In My name they will cast out demons; they will speak with new tongues; ¹⁸ they will take up serpents; and if they drink anything deadly, it will by no means hurt them; they will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover."

What is that? It is called exorcism: Exorcism is commanding a demon to come out of an individual in the name of Jesus. Exorcism is accompanied by the spoken Word, in the name of Jesus, through the power of the Holy Spirit. It is done simply and quickly.

Acts 16:16-18 (NKJV) ¹⁶ Now it happened, as we went to prayer, that a certain slave girl possessed with a spirit of divination met us, who brought her masters much profit by fortune-telling. ¹⁷ This girl followed Paul and us, and cried out, saying, "These men are the servants of the Most High God, who proclaim to us the way of salvation." ¹⁸ And this she did for many days. But Paul, greatly annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I command you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And he came out that very hour.

Cults and the occult see human beings as part of a vast, timeless consciousness - Ultimately divine - Will live forever in various forms (reincarnation) - Can communicate with the dead or other spirits - Can receive power through the psychic or soul. Even bodily exercise to

transcend nature and understand the mysteries concerning the groups in "research and enlighten," "psychic research," transcendental meditation, yoga, and so on. These groups are not in touch with God but with Satan and demons...

Pat Robertson: What about mind control and mind-science beliefs? The word psuche is translated "soul" from which we derive the word "psychic". Most mind-science groups deal with the psychic, or soulish, phenomena.

1 Corinthians 2:14 (NKJV) ¹⁴ But the natural man does not receive the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; nor can he know *them*, because they are spiritually discerned.

The soulish realm is the realm of demons. Demons can and often do enter into this psychic area. The people who are in touch with the dead or the "other world" are not tapping into some universal consciousness. They are in touch with demons. Demons lurk behind many of the world religions, as well as behind the "mind control" teachings.

Sorceries: Pharmakeia: compare pharmacy and pharmacist. Generally described the use of medicine, drugs or the spells. Later the word was used for poisoning and then for sorcery, accompanied by drugs, incantations, charms and magic. Drugs are a door into the demonic **supernatural**.

WHAT DOES JESUS HAVE TO SAY? Luke 10:17-22 (NKJV) ¹⁷ Then the seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, even the demons are subject to us in Your name." ¹⁸ And He said to them, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. ¹⁹ Behold, I give you the authority to trample on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall by any means hurt you. ²⁰ Nevertheless do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rather rejoice because your names are written in heaven."

**WHAT IS THE WAR? WHAT IS THE BATTLE STRATEGY?
HOW DO I ENGAGE IN IT? SO HOW DO I WIN AND
ENFORCE HIS VICTORY ON THE EARTH?**

- 1. KEEP RENEWING YOUR MIND: DON'T BE IGNORANT OF HIS DEVICES.**
- 2. KNOW THE GROUND ON WHICH YOU STAND – THE BLOOD OF THE LAMB.**
- 3. GET UNDER AUTHORITY – SUBMIT TO GOD.**
- 4. RESIST THE TEMPTER – STEDFAST IN THE FAITH – USE YOUR WEAPONS - DIE DAILY – “RESIST TEMPTATION.**

HOW DO I OVERCOME; ENFORCE CHRIST'S VICTORY?

- 1. KEEP RENEWING YOUR MIND: KEEP ALL SPIRITUAL WARFARE IS WAGED OVER ONE ESSENTIAL QUESTION: WHO WILL CONTROL REALITY ON EARTH, HEAVEN, OR HELL?**

When it comes to spiritual warfare, the battle is fought in the realm of thoughts. Every action begins with a thought. To control the reality of people is to control their actions.

- Battlefield: The Mind**
- Change men's thoughts – change men's actions. The realm of the mind is the major battlefield of spiritual warfare. 2 Cor. 10:3-6 For though we walk in the flesh, we do not**

war according to the flesh. ⁴For the weapons of our warfare *are* not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds, ⁵casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ, ⁶and being ready to punish all disobedience when your obedience is fulfilled. 2 Corinthians 10:3-6 (MSG) ³ The world is unprincipled. It's dog-eat-dog out there! The world doesn't fight fair. But we don't live or fight our battles that way—never have and never will. ⁴ The tools of our trade aren't for marketing or manipulation, but they are for demolishing that entire massively corrupt culture. ⁵ We use our powerful God-tools for smashing warped philosophies, tearing down barriers erected against the truth of God, fitting every loose thought and emotion and impulse into the structure of life shaped by Christ. ⁶ Our tools are ready at hand for clearing the ground of every obstruction and building lives of obedience into maturity.

What part do demons play with thoughts?

- Cast doubt on God's Words – confusion and unbelief.**
- Master of suggestion – making you think they are your thoughts .**

Master deceiver - liar – “fiery darts.” Ephes. 6:16 above all, taking the shield of faith with which you will be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked one. John 13:2 And supper being ended, the devil having already put it into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's *son*, to betray Him, Acts 5:3 But Peter said, "Ananias, why has Satan filled your heart to lie to the Holy Spirit and keep back *part* of the price of the land for yourself?

RIGHT NOW WE ARE LIVING IN A TIME WHERE WE ARE BEING SEDUCED BY DOCTRINES OF DEMONS.

- NO LONGER MORAL ABSOLUTES.**
- WE ARE IN A TIME OF MORAL RELATIVISM WHERE THE TRUTH IS WHAT YOU THINK IT IS, AND IT IS OK FOR YOU TO BELIEVE ONE THING AND FOR ME TO BELIEVE ANOTHER!**
- TIME OF EASE AND TOLERANCE -**
 - IT'S OK TO KILL BABIES, BUT WRONG TO DESTROY ANIMALS.**
 - IT'S OK TO ALLOW PORN, BUT IT IS INVAISIVE TO HAVE PRAYER IN THE SCHOOLS!**
 - MANY NEW TYPES OF FAMILIES INCLUDING SAME SEX, BUT IT IS WRONG – HOMOPHOBIA –TO COME AGAINST SAME SEX RELATIONSHIPS!**

IS IT POSSIBLE FOR A BELIEVER TO GIVE HEED TO SEDUCING SPIRITS AND DOCTRINES OF DEMONS?

ABSOLUTELY!

2. KNOW THE FOUNDATIONS ON WHICH YOU STAND

Revelation 12:10-12 (NKJV) ¹⁰ Then I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, "Now salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of His Christ have come, for the accuser of our brethren, who accused them before our God day and night, has been cast down. ¹¹ **And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death.**

THE BLOOD OF THE LAMB: THE SOURCE OF POWER AND THE GROUNDS TO USE IT.

POINT: READ COLOSSIANS 1:12-21 Col. 1:12-21 giving thanks to the Father who **has qualified** us to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in the light. ¹³He **has delivered us from the power of darkness** and conveyed us into the kingdom of the Son of His love, ¹⁴in whom **we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins.**

- 1. QUALIFIED US TO BE PARTAKERS OF THE INHERITANCE OF THE SAINTS.**
- 2. DELIVERED US FROM DARKNESS AND IT'S AUTHORITY.**
- 3. GIVEN US FULL REDEMPTION, FULL RECONCILIATION, FULL RESTORATION, ABILITY, AUTHORITY, ANOINTING TO ARREST DARKNESS AND OVERCOME EVIL WITH GOOD.**

Leviticus 17:11 For the life of the flesh *is* in the blood, and I have given it to you upon the altar to make atonement for your souls; for it *is* the blood *that* makes atonement for the soul.'

Hebrews 2:14-15 Inasmuch then as the children have partaken of flesh and blood, He Himself likewise shared in the same, that through death He might destroy him who had the power of death, that is, the devil, ¹⁵and release those who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage.

Rev. 1:5-6 and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler over the kings of the earth. To Him who loved us and washed us from our sins in His

own blood, and has made us kings and priests to His God and Father, to Him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Rev. 1:18 I *am* He who lives, and was dead, and behold, I am alive forevermore. Amen.
And I have the keys of Hades and of Death.

WE OVERCOME DARKNESS BY THE POWER IN HIS BLOOD. THE ATONEMENT OF THE DEATH, BURIEL, AND RESSURECTION OF JESUS CHRIST IS THE POWER AND THE GROUNDS OF OUR ABILITY, AUTHORITY AND ANOINTING TO ARREST DARKNESS AND ENFORCE HIS VICTORY AS THE CHURCH!

- **THE BLOOD ANSWERS TO EVERY DEMONIC CLAIM OF RIGHT AND AUTHORITY. HIS BLOOD ANSWERS ALL VOICES OF CONDEMNATION AND ACCUSATION.**

Ephesians 1:20-23 (MSG) ²⁰ All this energy issues from Christ: God raised him from death and set him on a throne in deep heaven, ²¹ in charge of running the universe, everything from galaxies to governments, no name and no power exempt from his rule. And not just for the time being, but *forever*. ²² He is in charge of it all, has the final word on everything. At the center of all this, Christ rules the church. ²³ **The church, you see, is not peripheral to the world; the world is peripheral to the church. The church is Christ's body, in which he speaks and acts, by which he fills everything with his presence.**

(Outlying; fringe; outer) Opposite word: Central

Hebrews 10:12-14 But this Man, after He had offered one sacrifice for sins forever, sat down at the right hand of God, ¹³ from that time waiting till His enemies are made His footstool. ¹⁴ For by one offering He has perfected forever those who are being sanctified.

Hebrews 10:12-14 (MSG)

¹² As a priest, Christ made a single sacrifice for sins, and that was it! Then he sat down right beside God ¹³ and waited for his enemies to cave in. ¹⁴ It was a perfect sacrifice by a perfect person to perfect some very imperfect people. By that single offering, he did everything that needed to be done for everyone who takes part in the purifying process.

3. STAY UNDER AUTHORITY - SUBMIT TO GOD - OBEDIENCE TO GOD'S WILL GIVES US THE GROUNDS TO STAND IN DELEGATED AUTHORITY AND USE THE NAME OF JESUS TO DEFEAT DEMONS AND DARKNESS.

Top down authority: "Neil Anderson said spiritual authority is not a tug-of-war on a horizontal plane; it is a vertical chain of command. "Jesus Christ has all authority. He is on top. We are underneath Jesus because He gave His authority and power to His servants to be exercised in His Name. Satan and his demons are at the bottom, subject to the authority Christ has invested in us. They have no more right to rule your life than a buck private has to order a general to clean the latrine."

- **RECOGNIZE YOU MUST BE UNDER AUTHORITY TO HAVE AUTHORITY.** Isaiah 1:19 (NKJV) ¹⁹ If you are willing and obedient, You shall eat the good of the land; You can have no authority without being under authority. **Not under authority (obedience with right heart attitude), no power.**
- **UNDERSTAND ANGELS AND DEMONS LIVE UNDER AND RECOGNIZE DELEGATED AUTHORITY. Demons know if you have spiritual authority OR NOT!**
- **JESUS – UNDER AUTHORITY** John 14:30-31 (MSG) ³⁰ I'll not be talking with you much more like this because the chief of this godless world is about to attack. But don't worry—he has nothing on me, no claim on me. ³¹ But so the world might know how thoroughly I love the Father, I am carrying out my Father's instructions right down to the last detail. "Get up. Let's go. It's time to leave here.

Acts 19:11-20 (NKJV) ¹¹ Now God worked unusual miracles by the hands of Paul, ¹² so that even handkerchiefs or aprons were brought from his body to the sick, and the diseases left them and the evil spirits went out of them. ¹³ Then some of the itinerant Jewish exorcists took it upon themselves to call the name of the Lord Jesus over those who had evil spirits, saying, "We exorcise you by the Jesus whom Paul preaches." ¹⁴ Also there were seven sons of Sceva, a Jewish chief priest, who did so. ¹⁵ And the evil spirit answered and said, "Jesus I know, and Paul I know; but who are you?" ¹⁶ Then the man in whom the evil spirit was leaped on them, overpowered them, and prevailed against them, so that they fled out of that house naked and wounded. ¹⁷ This became known both to all Jews and Greeks dwelling in Ephesus; and fear fell on them all, and the name of the Lord Jesus was magnified. ¹⁸ And many who had believed came confessing and telling their deeds. ¹⁹ Also, many of those who had practiced magic brought their books together and burned *them* in the sight of all. And they counted up the value of them, and *it* totaled fifty thousand *pieces* of silver. ²⁰ So the word of the Lord grew mightily and prevailed.

4. RESIST THE TEMPTER –Keep my flesh in check: 1 Peter 5:8-9 (AMP) ⁸ Be well balanced (temperate, sober of mind), be vigilant *and* cautious at all times; for that enemy of yours, the devil, roams around like a lion roaring [in fierce hunger], seeking someone to seize upon *and* devour. ⁹ Withstand him; be firm in faith [against his onset—rooted, established, strong, immovable, and determined], knowing that the same (identical) sufferings are appointed to your brotherhood (the whole body of Christians) throughout the world.

- **GET USED TO DYING DAILY-** NOT LOVING THEIR LIVES UNTO DEATH – BE READY TO DIE TO THE FLESH, THE SELF-APPETITES, THE SELF-CENTERED AGENDA'S, AND THE SELF-CENTERED AMBITIONS OF FLESH.
- **KEEP MY FLESH IN CHECK -GIVE HIM NO PLACE.**
Ephesians 4: (MSG) ²⁵ What this adds up to, then, is this: no more lies, no more pretense. Tell your neighbor the truth. In Christ's body we're all connected to each other, after all. When you lie to others, you end up lying to yourself. ²⁶ Go ahead and be angry. You do well to be angry—but don't use your anger as fuel for revenge. And don't stay angry. Don't go to bed angry. ²⁷ Don't give the Devil that kind of foothold in your life.
- Galatians 5:19-21 (NLT) ¹⁹ When you follow the desires of your sinful nature, the results are very clear: sexual immorality, impurity, lustful pleasures, ²⁰ idolatry, sorcery, hostility, quarreling, jealousy, outbursts of anger, selfish ambition, dissension, division, ²¹ envy, drunkenness, wild parties, and other sins like these. Let me tell you again, as I have before, that anyone living that sort of life will not inherit the Kingdom of God.
- **REPENT WHEN YOU SIN –** 1 John 3:⁹ People conceived and brought into life by God don't make a practice of sin. How could they? God's seed is deep within them, making them who they are. It's not in the nature of the God-begotten to practice and parade sin.

1 John 1:9 (MSG) ⁹ On the other hand, if we admit our sins—make a clean breast of them—he won't let us down; he'll be true to himself. He'll forgive our sins and purge us of all wrongdoing.

REVIEW: Demons –Their Mission:

- TO HINDER THE PURPOSES OF GOD -TO EXTEND THE POWER OF SATAN
- What do we do with them? Cast them out

How do we overcome Satan?

1. Keep renewing your mind.
2. Know the foundations on which you stand – His blood.
3. Stay under authority – obey God.
4. Resist the tempter – keep your flesh in check.