

SATAN

Review: Satan Tempts the Woman

Genesis 2:16-17 & 3:1-8

2:16 Creator God commanded the man, 17 “You must not eat the fruit from the *Tree of Knowing Good & Evil*. If you eat it, you will certainly die.”

3:1 Satan came to the woman in the form of a snake. 4 The snake said, “You will not die. 5 [If you eat the fruit] you will be like God – you will know good and evil!”

6 So the woman ate the fruit. Her husband was with her. So she gave the fruit to her husband – and he ate it.

8 Then the man and his wife heard God walking in the garden. And the man and woman hid from God.

WHO IS SATAN?

12 God said to Satan, “13 You were perfect – you were wise – you were beautiful. I made you. 14 I chose you – I chose you to be a very special, powerful angel. 15 Everything you did was good. But then you became evil. 17 Your heart became proud – you became proud because you were very beautiful.”
Ezekiel 28:12-15, 17*

Satan said in his heart, “I will make myself like God.”
Isaiah 14:14*

(So) God said to Satan, “I threw you down to the earth.”
So Satan fell from heaven.
Ezekiel 28:17*
Isaiah 14:12*

*These verses seem allegorical – but they are almost certainly about Satan.

And Satan’s angels (demons) were also thrown down to earth from heaven.
Revelation 12:9

2:2 Now Satan is the ruler of his evil kingdom – his evil kingdom is in the air. And Satan works in the hearts of people – Satan works in people who do not obey God ... 4:4 and do not believe God. Satan clouds their minds – Satan makes them not understand the wonderful news about Jesus.

Ephesians 2:2 ... 2 Corinthians 4:4

(Now) Satan leads the whole world the wrong way – Satan leads the world away from God.
Revelation 12:9

Satan pretends to be a good angel of light.
2 Corinthians 11:14

Watch out! If you love Jesus, Satan is your enemy. Satan is like a roaring lion – he is looking for people to eat and destroy.
1 Peter 5:8

From the beginning, Satan was a murderer. There is no truth in Satan. He tells lies – telling lies is his native language. He is a liar – and he is the father of lies. John 8:44

Satan holds the power of death. Hebrews 2:14

But God's Son (Jesus Christ) came to earth to destroy Satan's work. 1 John 3:8

Jesus died on the cross to destroy Satan. Hebrews 2:14

Jesus Christ said, "I am living. I was dead (I died on the cross) – but look! I am alive forever and forever. And I hold the keys of death." Revelation 1:18

25 Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life. Do you believe in me? Then you will live – you will live forever even if you die (physically). 26 And when you live in me and believe in me, you will never die. Do you believe this?" John 11:25-26

Then you are God's child. And God who is in you is great – God who is in you is greater than Satan who is in the world. 1 John 4:4

Say "yes" to God. But stand against Satan – and Satan will run away from you. James 4:7

Jesus said to Satan, "Go away from me, Satan!" Matthew 4:10

Paul said to the evil spirit, "In Jesus' name, I command you to get out..." Acts 16:18

18 I pray that you will know 19 Father God's great power. Do you believe in Jesus? Then God's power is for you – it is the greatest power in heaven and earth. That power is like Father God's power 20 when he made Jesus alive again from the dead – and it is like Father God's power when he brought Jesus up into heaven – 21 and it is like God's power when he put Jesus far above every ruler, every boss, every power, every government. 22 Father God put everything under Jesus' feet – and he put Jesus over everything. Jesus is over everything for the Church – and we are Jesus' Church. Ephesians 1:18-22

God has made an eternal fire. The eternal fire is for Satan and his demons – Satan and his demons will be thrown into the eternal fire. Matthew 25:41

CONTENT QUESTIONS

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

• What will happen if the man eats the fruit? If he does not obey God? Genesis 2:17

• Who made Satan? (Ezekiel 28:12-15, 17)

• What was Satan at the beginning? (verse 14)

• Was Satan good or bad at the beginning? (verse 15)

• Why did Satan become bad? (verse 17)

Is pride dangerous? How is pride dangerous?

• Who did Satan want to be like? (Isaiah 14:14)

Do people want to be the god of their own lives? What do you think?

• So what did God do to Satan? (Ezekiel 28:17)

• Where is Satan now? (verse 17)

• What is Satan doing now? (Ephesians 2:2 & 2 Corinthians 4:4 & Revelation 12:9)

• What does Satan want to do to people who love Jesus? (1 Peter 5:8)

• What is Satan's true character? What is his true nature? (2 Corinthians 11:14 & John 8:44)

Does Satan care about people?

Why does Satan promise "good" things to people?

Why did Satan promise "good" things to the woman?

• Who holds the power of death? (Hebrews 2:14)

• Why did Jesus come to earth? (1 John 3:8)

• So who holds the power of death now? (Revelation 1:18)

• Why does Jesus hold the keys of death? (verse 18 & John 11:25-26)

• Who is more powerful: God or Satan? (1 John 4:4)

• Who has power over Satan and evil spirits? (Matthew 4:10)

• We have no power over Satan. So how do we get power over Satan and evil spirits?
(Acts 16:18)

• How much power is working for us – if we believe in Jesus? (Ephesians 1:18-22)

What does Father God want to do inside us? What does he do with his power?

16 I pray that Father God will make your inner self strong with his Holy Spirit's power. 17 Then Christ can live in your hearts by faith. And I pray that 18 Father God gives you the power to understand Christ's love – I want you to know how wide, long, high and deep Christ's love is. 19 Then you can be completely filled with God.

Ephesians 3:16-21

How much power does it take to change our hearts? (Ephesians 1:19-20, page 2)

What do we want God's power to change?

Do we want God to change us on the inside? To change our hearts?
Or to change the people and circumstances around us?

Which do you think is more important?
What is inside us? Or things outside us?

How does Christ live in our hearts? (Ephesians 3:17)

What is the difference between faith and feelings?

When we don't feel Christ in us, does Christ still live in our hearts?

• In the end, who will win and who will lose? What will happen to Satan? (Matthew 25:41)

• Who works with Satan? (Matthew 25:41)

Is it good to ask Satan for help? Is it good to use Satan's power?

Will Satan be honest with you? Or will Satan trick you?
Will Satan help you? Or will Satan try to destroy you?

Don't go to mediums and spiritists for help. People should ask Creator God for help. You are alive! Why do you ask dead people to help you?

Isaiah 8:20

Why do you think Satan tempted the woman (and the man)?

What did Satan want?

Did Satan want to help them? Or did Satan want to destroy them?

The penalty for sin is death.

Romans 6:23

[Sin = bad thoughts, bad words, bad actions + not obeying God]

So how did Satan try to destroy the man and woman?