

An Attempt To Listen To God

Satan - Part 2

Contrasts Between The Kingdoms
and Old Testament Pictures of Satan

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The Contrasts:

1) The Contrast Between The Kings

God	Satan
The Kingdom of God	The kingdom of Satan
God is King (Psa. 95:3)	Satan is king (Rev. 9:11)

God		Satan	
Truth	God is true (2 Cor. 1:18)	Deception	The deceiver (Rev. 12:9)
Goodness	The goodness of God leadeth thee to repentance (Rom. 2:4)	Wickedness	The whole world lieth in wickedness (Lit. In the arms of the wicked one) (1 Jn. 5:19)
Activity	To bring Christ into the world (Gen. 3:14-15, 20) (Adam believed the promise of God, and knowing spiritual death was not to be permanent, called His wife "The mother of all living" knowing that through the woman the Deliverer would come)	Activity	To prevent Christ from coming into the world (by slaying Abel) (Gen. 4:8-9) By Pharaoh seeking to kill all males (Ex. 1:16) By Athaliah. seeking to destroy "all the seed royal" (2 Kgs. 11:1)
Purpose	To have Christ be the sacrifice for sins (Gen. 22:8) To have Christ lifted up on the cross (Jn. 3:14)	Purpose	To kill Christ before He ever went to Calvary (Mk. 4:37-39 - This storm was the work of Satan for the Lord would not have nullified the will of God) (Lk. 4:29) To have Christ come down from the cross before the work was accomplished. (Matt. 27:42)

2) The Contrasts Between The kingdoms

- a) The kingdoms have similarities in administration although more is mentioned of God's than Satan's. Only God's Kingdom is said to have dominions, thrones (Col.1:16); authorities (1 Pet. 3:22); cherubim (Gen. 3:24); seraphim (Isa. 6:2); angels (1 Pet. 3:22); and archangels (Jude 1:9). The kingdom of Satan has principalities and powers (Eph. 6:12; Col. 2:15). Having said that, it is understood that "demons" (translated "devils" in the KJV) are fallen angels.

God's Kingdom	Reference	Satan's kingdom	Reference
Light	1 Jn. 1:5	Darkness	Col. 1:13
Peace	Rom. 15:33	Confusion	1 Cor. 14:33
Holy	Isa. 6:3	Unholy	Jer. 51:6 Rev. 18:2
Fulness of life	Jn. 17:3	Second death	Rev. 20:14
Seeks the good for men	Psa. 73:1	Seeks mens ruination	Jn. 10:10 1 Pet. 5:8 Lk. 22:31
Joy	Rom. 14:17	Wailing because of the loss of earthly things Wailing for eternity	Rev. 18:19 Matt. 13:50

4) There is a contrast between the spirits manifested in the kingdoms

The Holy Spirit	Reference	The Spirit of Satan and Error	Reference
To glorify Christ	Jn. 16:14	To dishonor Christ	Jn. 10:20 Mk. 3:22
To unveil divine truth	Jn. 16:13	To hinder the understanding of divine truth	1 Tim. 4:1 1 Jn. 4:6

5) The contrast between Christ and Satan

Christ	Reference	Satan	References in Ezekiel 28
Humbled Himself	Phil. 2:7-8	Sought to exalt himself	v.16 - I will rise exalt etc.
God wills His exaltation	Acts 5:31 Phil. 2:9	God wills his damnation	v.16 - I will cast down v.16 - I will destroy v.17 - I will cast thee v.17 - I will lay thee v.18 - I will bring forth fire v.18 - I will bring to ashes

6) The contrast between Christ and the Beast

Christ	Reference	The Beast	Reference
The perfect man	Lk. 23:41 Jn. 8:29	A beast like man	2 Thess. 2:3 Rev. 13:4
Rejected by the world	Jn. 1:11 Jn. 19:15	Accepted by the world	Rev. 13:3-4
He came down	Jn. 6:38	He goes up	Rev. 11:7
God exalts Christ	Matt. 22:44	Christ destroys the beast	Rev. 19:20
A spirit filled man	Lk. 4:1	A satanically empowered man	Rev. 13:2
Obedient to the scriptures	Heb. 10:7	Mocks and despise's that which God has said and His purposes	Gen. 3:4 Matt. 4:1 2 Thess. 2:4
Was holy and was manifested being deity	Jn. 1:18	Was depraved and claimed to be deity	2 Thess. 2:4
God exalted Him	Heb. 5:4-5	Satan exalts him	Rev. 13:2

Satan and The Descriptive Ways God Describes Him

In Genesis 1 God calls certain things by specific names which had a significance. Therefore, when it comes to Satan, God describes him by several names. These descriptive names are:

1) The descriptive terms given him:

Descriptive term	Ref.	No. of Ref.	Descriptive Term	Ref.	No. of Ref.
Abaddon	Rev. 9:11	1	Liar	Jn. 8:44	1
Accuser	Rev. 12:10	1	Lion	1 Pet. 5:8	1
Adversary	1 Pet. 5:8-9	1	Lucifer	Isa. 14:12	1
Angel of Light	2 Cor. 11:14	1	Murderer	Jn. 8:44	1
Anointed Cherub	Ezek. 28:14	1	Prince of the power of the air	Eph. 2:2	1
Apollyon	Rev. 9:11	1	Prince of this world	Jn. 12:31	3
Beelzebub	Matt. 10:25	7	Satan	1 Chron. 21:1	49

Descriptive term	Ref.	No. of Ref.	Descriptive Term	Ref.	No. of Ref.
Belial	1 Sam. 2:12	25	Son of Perdition	Jn. 17:12 2 Thess. 2:3	2
Covering Cherub	Ezek. 28:16	1	Tempter	Matt. 4:5-6 1 Thess. 3:5	2
Devil	Jn. 8:44	57	The God of This World	2 Cor. 4:4	1
Enemy	Matt. 13:39	1	The Old Serpent	Rev.12:9	1
Great Dragon	Rev. 12:9	2	Evil One / Wickedness	1 Jn. 5:19	1

Humans Displaying Characteristics Of Him

Throughout the scriptures there are those who were prototypes of Satan. Some of them are:

a) Pharaoh

He was not only a type of Satan, he is a prototype of any man, organization, government, which seeks to eradicate all consciousness of God and a life beyond the present. Pharaoh's government was a picture of the Satanic government with:

- i) Pharaoh, the great prince.
- ii) His taskmasters as individual fallen angels, demons.
- iii) Under Satan, Egypt was a miniature of the entire world:
 1. A world of spiritual darkness. (Jn. 12:46)
 2. A world of spiritual ignorance. (Jn. 17:14; 1 Cor 1: 21)
 3. A world of spiritual corruption. (2 Pet. 1:4; 2:20)
 - (a) Pharaoh is called “the great dragon”. (Ezek. 29:3 and so is Satan when he is called “a great red dragon”; “the great dragon” Rev. 12:3, 9)
 - (b) His associates are viewed as:
 - (i) The fowler (Psa. 91:3)
 - (ii) The wolf (Jn. 10:12)

b) Belshazzar

This ancient King of Babylon was evil to the extreme, doing far worse than his grandfather Nebuchadnezzar had ever done. When Nebuchadnezzar brought the gold and silver vessels of the House of the Lord to Babylon, he put them in the house of his god (Dan. 1:2). Belshazzar used them to mock God in his night of drunken partying (Dan. 5:1-4). It was on that very night he died and his end was sudden. The Lord will not slay Satan but will cast him into the bottomless pit to endure the fierce wrath of God for all eternity.

c) Judas

Judas is called the son of perdition (Jn. 17:12) because of the spiritual value he placed on that which God had given him, he clamored for more. Likewise with Satan, he was dissatisfied with the high place God had given to him, and being jealous of that which God was and had, he sought to elevate himself to being as God. (Ezek. 28:16)

d) Haman

He is called the adversary and enemy (Est. 7:6) for he hated the people of God and sought to destroy them (Est. 3:6-15). Satan, using his men, the beast and the false prophet, will seek the same thing (Rev. 12:13-14). Hitler was mild compared to these men.

This will be continued in the next document of "Satan - Part 3"

**May God grant us good understanding as He, by His Holy Spirit, deigns to guide us into all truth.
John 16:13**

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