



Is God or Satan Winning?

DO YOU KNOW: That God created Lucifer perfect, but he rebelled against God (Isa. 14: 12-20; Ezek. 28: 12-19), and so became Satan (*adversary*), God's enemy?

+ That Satan is a *person*—not an *evil principle*—for he abode not in the truth, spoke to God, reasoned, *etc.* (John 8: 44; Job 1: 1-22; 2: 1-13; 2 Cor. 2: 11; 11: 14, 15)?

+ That God created Adam perfect and told him if he disobeyed he would surely die, but Satan won control over mankind by his first lie: "Ye shall not surely die" (Gen. 2: 17; 3: 4; Ezek. 18: 4, 20; Rom. 5: 12; 6: 23)?

DO YOU KNOW: That God sentenced Adam to die: "Unto dust shalt thou return," but also said that the woman's seed shall bruise Satan's head (Gen. 3: 14-19)?

+ That, starting with Cain and Abel, Satan has tried to destroy or ensnare the seed of the woman?

+ That Satan before the Flood induced some angels to materialize and marry women, thus producing hybrids and very evil conditions (Gen. 6: 1-7; Jude 6, 7)?

+ That God by the Flood destroyed that "old world" (Greek, *kosmos*, social order)—*not the earth* (Eccl. 1: 4)—saving only Noah and family (2 Pet. 2: 4, 5)?

+ That Satan with the aid of his fallen angels soon enslaved Noah's progeny through Nimrod, began various false religions, *etc.*, and thus by usurpation became "the god [mighty one] of this ['present evil'] world" (Gen. 10: 1-32; 2 Cor. 4: 4; Gal. 1: 4; John 12: 31; 14: 30)?

+ That God promised righteous Abraham that through him and his seed all nations would be blessed (Gen. 12: 1-3; 17: 19, 21; 22: 15-18; 26: 4; 28: 14)?

+ That Satan consequently made special attacks on Isaac, Esau (causing him to sell his birthright), Jacob, Joseph, Moses, the Israelites, Saul, David, Solomon, his progeny, the prophets, *etc.* (Luke 11: 47-51)?

+ That God finally sent His only begotten Son, the promised Seed, to give His life a ransom, so all would be given one full individual trial for eternal life (Gal. 3: 8, 16; Matt. 20: 28; 1 Tim. 4: 10; 1 John 2: 2)?

+ That Satan tried to ensnare or destroy Jesus and finally succeeded in crucifying Him (Matt. 4: 1-11; 8: 24; Luke 4: 29; 22: 3-6, 47, 48; 23: 33, 34)?

+ That God raised Jesus from the dead and exalted Him to the Divine nature (Acts 5: 30, 31; Phil. 2: 9-11)?

+ That Satan, no longer able to attack Jesus personally, tried to destroy the Church, His Body, for it also is a part of Abraham's Seed, that is to bless all mankind (Rom. 12: 5; 4: 13-16; Eph. 1: 18-23; Gal. 3: 7-9, 29)?

+ That God, despite Satan's persecutions, prospered and multiplied the early Church (Acts 2: 41; 5: 14)? DO YOU KNOW: That Satan, failing to destroy the Church by persecutions, perverted it with false doctrines and bad practices (Matt. 13: 24-28; 2 Thes. 2: 3-10; 1 John 4: 3), so the true Church became almost unrecognizable, because of so many tares (imitation Christians)?

+ That God kept His promise never to forsake His loyal people, so amid all Satan's errors and the "gross darkness" upon the people, God gave His true saints "a little help" through such faithful servants as Marsiglio, Wyclif, Huss, Savonarola, Luther, Zwingli, Cranmer, Wesley, *etc.* (Heb. 13: 5, 6; Matt. 28: 20; Isa. 60: 2; Dan. 11: 34; Mic. 5: 5)?

+ That Satan controlled Christendom by "the chained Bible," ignorance, superstition, heathen philosophies and various errors, especially the Divine right of kings, clergy and aristocracy—and to support his first lie (Gen. 3: 4), consciousness of the dead, inherent immortality of the human soul and the blasphemous doctrine of eternal torment, using figurative Bible texts and parables literally and confusing *Hades* and *Gehenna* so as to deceive?

+ That since 1799, in "the time of the end," God has greatly increased knowledge (Dan. 12: 4; Nah. 2: 3, 4)?

+ That with the dispelling of his old errors, Satan and his demons ("seducing spirits") have brought forth new "doctrines of devils" (1 Tim. 4: 1)—Evolution, Theosophy, Christian Science, New Thought, Mormonism, Rosicrucianism, Universalism, Scientology, *etc.*—and are multiplying "signs and wonders" (2 Thes. 2: 9)—witchcraft, black art, fortune-telling, alleged talking with the dead, Satanism, clairvoyance, spirit-rapping, sorcery, crystal-ball gazing, tea-leaf reading, spirit-writing, hypnotism, ESP, astrology, poltergeists, horoscopes, ouija boards, "flying saucers," *etc.*?

+ That God forbids His people to have anything to do with such media (Ex. 22: 18; Lev. 19: 26, 31; 20: 6, 27; Deut. 18: 9-14; 1 Chron. 10: 13, 14; 2 Kings 21: 6; 2 Chron. 33: 6; Isa. 8: 19, 20; 19: 3, 4; Jer. 29: 8, 9; Zech. 10: 2; Gal. 5: 19-21; Rev. 21: 8; 22: 15)? DO YOU KNOW: That Satan is desperate, seeing God through Christ victorious in refuting his errors by the truth and in using the Time Of Trouble (World War, Revolution and Anarchy) to bind him and demolish his empire, preparatory to establishing God's Kingdom on earth (Rev. 19: 11-21; 11: 15-18; 20: 1-4; 1 Kings 19: 11, 12; Psalms 46: 8-11; 76: 8-10; Dan. 12: 1; Matt. 24: 21, 22; 12: 29; 6: 10; Micah 4: 1-4)?

+ That God "shall bruise Satan under your [the elect Seed's] feet shortly"; for God "will have all men [including the non-elect—1 Tim. 4: 10; Heb. 2: 9; 1 John 2: 2] to be saved [from Adamic

condemnation] and to come unto the [exact] knowledge of the truth" (Rom. 16: 20; 1 Tim. 2: 4-6; Num. 14: 21; Isa. 11: 9)?

+ That in "the new earth [social order]" mankind will have their judgment (trial for life) as they come up the "highway" to human perfection (Acts 17: 31; 2 Pet. 3: 7-13; Isa. 35: 1-10; 65: 17-25; Rev. 21: 1-5; 22: 17)?

+ That Satan, when loosed for mankind's final testing, will soon gain a host of followers, but God will annihilate him and all the wicked (Rev. 20: 3, 7-10; 21: 8; Psa. 37: 9-11, 38; 145: 20; Isa. 43: 17; Heb. 2: 14)?

+ That God will thus have won the contest; for Satan will be no more, "all iniquity shall stop her mouth," and all creatures will praise God and Christ forever (Ezek. 28: 19; Psa. 107: 42; Rev. 5: 12, 13)?