Victorias Baptist Church

Who Is Satan

Ezekiel 28:12-19

- Son of man, take up a lamentation upon the king of Tyrus, and say unto him, Thus saith the Lord God; Thou sealest up the sum, full of wisdom, and perfect in beauty.
- Thou hast been in Eden the garden of God; every precious stone *was* thy covering, the sardius, topaz, and the diamond, the beryl, the onyx, and the jasper, the sapphire, the emerald, and the carbuncle, and gold: the workmanship of thy tabrets and of thy pipes was prepared in thee in the day that thou wast created.

- 14 Thou *art* the anointed cherub that covereth; and I have set thee *so*: thou wast upon the holy mountain of God; thou hast walked up and down in the midst of the stones of fire.
- 15 Thou *wast* perfect in thy ways from the day that thou wast created, till iniquity was found in thee.

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- Thou hast defiled thy sanctuaries by the multitude of thine iniquities, by the iniquity of thy traffick; therefore will I bring forth a fire from the midst of thee, it shall devour thee, and I will bring thee to ashes upon the earth in the sight of all them that behold thee.
- All they that know thee among the people shall be astonished at thee: thou shalt be a terror, and never *shalt* thou *be* any more.

Introduction

➤ 2 Corinthians 2:11 "Lest Satan should get an advantage of us: for we are not ignorant of his devices."

Satan's Character

1. He is a Thief

- >He steals the Word of God from the heart of the hearers
- Matthew 12:39 "When any one heareth the word of the kingdom, and understandeth it not, then cometh the wicked one, and catcheth away that which was sown in his heart. This is he which received seed by the way side."

- 2. He is Subtle (So slight as to be difficult to detect)
 - Satan beguiled (to win and hold somebody's attention)
 Eve through his subtlety
 - ➤2 Corinthians 11:3 "But I fear, lest by any means, as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtilty, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ."

3. He is a Murderer

➤ John 8:44 "Ye are of *your* father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it."

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5. He is a Deceiver

Revelation 12:9 "...and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him."

Satan's Work

- 1. To seek whom he may devour
 - ❖ 1 Peter 5:8 "Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour:"
- 2. To sow tares and evil doctrines
 - ❖Matt 13:25 "But while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat, and went his way"

3. To accuse the bretheren

❖ Revelation 12:10 "And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night"

4. To sift (test) the Christians

Luke 22:31-32 "And the Lord said, Simon, Simon, behold, Satan hath desired to have you, that he may sift you as wheat. But I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not: and when thou art converted, strengthen thy brethren."

5. To blind the minds of men

*2 Corinthians 4:4 "In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them."

- 6. To destroy the flesh (lives) of men
 - ❖1 Corinthians 5:5 "To deliver such an one unto Satan for the destruction of the flesh, that the spirit may be saved in the day of the Lord Jesus."

Conclusion

- > Satan is mighty but...
- ➤ God is the ALMIGHTY
- Satan was defeated in Calvary
- Let us constantly claim victory over Satan through the Blood of Calvary
- Revelation 12:11 "And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death."