

Satan

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It is always good to know your opponent, so that one is able to be on guard against him at all times. This document compiles what we are given from God's word that describes the adversary. There are many different words used to describe Satan.

1. Names and Definitions

The most common name that we know that describes our adversary is **Satan**. The first time this word is used is in the following scripture. Strong's Number for Satan is H7854 and is defined as the arch enemy of good, the adversary and the opponent. Satan is the Hebrew word for adversary.

[1Ch 21:1](#) And **Satan** stood up against Israel, and provoked David to number Israel.

In the New Testament the Strong's Number for Satan is G4567 and is defined as the accuser and the Devil.

The word Satan occurs 56 times in 49 verses. It occurs in 15 verses in the Old Testament and in 34 verses in the New Testament.

The next word **Devil** only appears in the New Testament. It first appears in the following scripture. Strong's Number for it is G1228 and is defined as a traducer, a false accuser, slanderer, specifically the Devil.

[Mat 4:1](#) Then was Jesus led up of the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted of the **devil**.

This word occurs 61 times in 57 verses.

The next word is **Adversary** which is complex and used with different meanings depending upon context. In the Old Testament when used with reference to Satan it is Strong's Number H7854 and can be either Satan or an opponent. The word adversary occurs 16 times in the Old Testament and from careful reading it applies in all 16 verses to be an opponent and not Satan.

In the New Testament the word **Adversary** occurs 6 times in 5 verses. It is Strong's Number G476, again the word is defined as either Satan or an opponent. In only one verse in the New Testament is the word Adversary used with referencing Satan. This occurs in the following verse.

1Pe 5:8 Be sober, be vigilant; because your **adversary** the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour:

The next word is **Lucifer** and is defined by Strong's Number H1966 and in Hebrew is Heylel and means brightness as a morning star.

Isa 14:12 How art thou fallen from heaven, O **Lucifer**, son of the morning! *how* art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations!

The various standard Bibles are mixed, not all use the word Lucifer or Heylel. The Septuagint uses Lucifer, the Modified King James has dropped the name Lucifer and refers only to the shining star of the heavens. The word Lucifer occurs in the Latin Vulgate and likely this is where it originated. There is no doubt from scripture that it refers to Satan. The Roman Catholic Church praises Lucifer. In Latin Lucifer means light bearer. In the Exsultet or Easter Proclamation the Catholic Church praises Lucifer as the Morning Star. Note that strong's Number for Lucifer, above, says "as a morning star", not that he is the morning star. The following verses refer to the Morning Star as Yeshua, and not Lucifer.

Rev 2:27 And he shall rule them with a rod of iron; as the vessels of a potter shall they be broken to shivers: even as I received of my Father.

Rev 2:28 And I will give him **the morning star**.

Rev 22:16 I Jesus have sent mine angel to testify unto you these things in the churches. I am the root and the offspring of David, *and* **the bright and morning star**.

There is a major difference between; *son of the morning* and *the morning star*.

The next title describing Satan is the **Dragon**. There are 6 verses in the Old Testament and are defined by Strong's Number H8577 which in Hebrew is Tanniyim and means sea or land monster, a serpent. Only one of the 6 appears to speak to Satan referred to as both the Dragon and the Serpent and is found in the following which is addressing the Millennium.

Isa 27:1 In that day the LORD with his sore and great and strong sword shall punish leviathan the piercing serpent, even leviathan **that crooked serpent**; and he shall slay the **dragon** that *is* in the sea.

In the New Testament the term Dragon only occurs in the Book of Revelations. It occurs 13 times in 12 verses. Strong's Number is G1404 and in Hebrew is Drakon, and is defined as a fabulous kind of serpent. In the first scripture it is also referred to as a Red Dragon, or a fire like Dragon.

Rev 12:3 And there appeared another wonder in heaven; and behold a great **red dragon**, having seven heads and ten horns, and seven crowns upon his heads.

Since this appeared in heaven and in association with the woman giving birth, it is in reference to that of Satan. The other 10 scriptures are clear in identifying Satan. All the 11 verses refer to Satan, only one of the 12 verses does not. It refers to a Beast that came up out of the earth and spoke like a Dragon. This is the second Beast. These will be examined more extensively in the section 3. Analysis of the Dragon

Rev 13:11 And I beheld another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb, and **he spake as a dragon**.

The next word is **Serpent**. Strong's Number is H5175 and in Hebrew is Nachash, it is defined as a snake. It appears early in Genesis, with the story of man's fall.

Gen 3:1 Now the **serpent** was more subtil than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden?

There are 38 times that serpent is used in the Old Testament, in 32 verses. There are two verses that identifies the serpent as Satan, these are Isa 27:1 and Rev 12:9.

In the New Testament there are 8 verses that contain serpent. Only two of them do not pertain to Satan. Strong's Number is G3789 and in Greek is Ophis and means a snake, an artful malicious person, especially Satan. An important scripture referring to the serpent, that implies Satan, the same as Gen 3:1 .

2Co 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.

This is why God cursed the serpent.

Gen 3:14 And the LORD God said unto the serpent, Because thou hast done this, thou *art* cursed above all cattle, and above every beast of the field; upon thy belly shalt thou go, and dust shalt thou eat all the days of thy life:

The next is **prince of the power of the air**. This occurs once as given below.

Eph 2:2 Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to **the prince of the power of the air**, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience:

The more common form is **prince of this world**. This occurs 3 times in the New Testament. And all are in the Book of John. Only one is given below.

Joh 12:31 Now is the judgment of this world: now shall *the prince of this world* be cast out.

The word **prince** in the New Testament Is Strong's Number G758 is a ruler, a chief, a magistrate.

The next name is **Beelzebub**. This occurs in Matthew and Mark and Luke and totals 7 verses. Typically the scripture in Matthew below defines the name as the prince of devils.

Mat 12:24 But when the Pharisees heard *it*, they said, This *fellow* doth not cast out devils, but by **Beelzebub** the *prince of the devils*.

Beelzebub is given by Strong's Number G954, it is of Chaldee origin and means dung god, it is used as a name for Satan in all verses.

The LORD calls Satan the **king of Tyrus**. This is given in the following scripture.

Eze 28:12 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.

There are many other verses in Ezekiel that follow the one above. These describe history of Satan and will be examined later.

False names

There are a few false names that various prominent pastors, in the Protestant Churches have made in commentaries that we have available today. These are accepted by the various Protestant churches of today as being correct. In fact they are not, simply because they were not read in context and also they were not examined thoroughly with other scripture throughout the Bible.

The first is a name of **Belial** or **children of Belial** that is not a name of Satan, but applies to describing evil people. This occurs in 15 verses in the Old Testament. It is Strong's Number H1100 and means worthlessness, wickedness, evil, ungodly.

Deu 13:13 *Certain* men, the **children of Belial**, are gone out from among you, and have withdrawn the inhabitants of their city, saying, Let us go and serve other gods, which ye have not known;

The following scripture asks what sort of agreement or concurrence in attitude does Yeshua have with the wicked or evil people.

2Co 6:15 And what concord hath Christ with **Belial**? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel?

There is nothing to suggest that Belial is a name for Satan.

Next is a major error in using the following names as describing Satan, these are **Abaddon** and **Apollyon**. These names are found in the following scripture.

Rev 9:11 And they had **a king over them, which is the angel of the bottomless pit**, whose name in the Hebrew tongue *is* **Abaddon**, but in the Greek tongue hath *his* name **Apollyon**.

In order to understand these one needs to look at the context that it is given. First the scripture preceding it, tells us that at the announcement of the fifth plague of God a star came down from heaven with the key to the bottomless pit, as given in the following scripture.

Rev 9:1 And the **fifth angel sounded**, and I saw a **star fall from heaven** unto the earth: and to him was given the **key of the bottomless pit**.

This is further reinforced in the following scripture as being a specific angel that is the jailer or king of the bottomless pit and controls the key that seals the pit.

Rev 20:1 And I saw an **angel come down from heaven**, having **the key of the bottomless pit** and a great chain in his hand.

Further understanding is based upon logic, recognizing what is happening. Why is the bottomless pit being opened ? It is to release the plagues of God upon the whole world. A special plague that God had prepared for this end time occasion is contained in the bottomless pit. This plague is smoke and a special locust never seen before. These locusts are to sting and torment all men on earth that do not have God's seal on them. This is given to us in the following scriptures.

Rev 9:2 And he **opened the bottomless pit**; and there arose a smoke out of the pit, as the smoke of a great furnace; and the sun and the air were darkened by reason of the smoke of the pit.

Rev 9:3 And there came out of the **smoke locusts** upon the earth: and unto them was given power, as the scorpions of the earth have power.

Rev 9:4 And it was **commanded them** that they should not hurt the grass of the earth, neither any green thing, neither any tree; but only those **men which have not the seal of God** in their foreheads.

Rev 9:5 And to them it was given that they should **not kill them**, but that they should be **tormented** five months: and their torment *was* as the torment of a scorpion, when he striketh a man.

So the angel with the key to the bottomless pit is a servant of God, sent by God to release the 8th plague of the end time, or the 5th plague of the Tribulation, upon the world. It has nothing to do with Satan. The name of this angel is Abaddon in Hebrew or Apollyon in Greek.

Note further that at the time the bottomless pit is opened a Beast that was locked in it is released. This is the second Beast, a spiritual angel of Satan that was locked up in this pit. This release occurs at the mid point of the Tribulation. The release of this evil spirit is part of God's plan and plague that He brings upon the world at this point in time. This Beast is the counterfeit of God's Spirit. This understanding is given in the following scripture.

Rev 17:8 The *beast* that thou sawest was, and is not; and *shall ascend out of the bottomless pit*, and go into perdition: and they that dwell on the earth shall wonder, whose names were not written in the book of life from the foundation of the world, when they behold the beast that was, and is not, and yet is.

This second Beast that is released from the bottomless pit is able to enable the image that is made to talk as well as become alive, and allows the Antichrist (false prophet) to perform miracles when before it.

Rev 19:20 And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone.

Note from the following that is describing this second Beast, it is coming up out of the earth, or the bottomless pit.

Rev 13:11 And I beheld another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb, and he spake as a dragon.

Rev 13:12 And he exerciseth all the power of the first beast before him, and causeth the earth and them which dwell therein to worship the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed.

Rev 13:13 And he doeth great wonders, so that he maketh fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men,

Rev 13:14 And deceiveth them that dwell on the earth by *the means of* those miracles which he had power to do in the sight of the beast; saying to them that dwell on the earth, that they should make an image to the beast, which had the wound by a sword, and did live.

Rev 13:15 And he had power to give life unto the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak, and cause that as many as would not worship the image of the beast should be killed.

This second Beast is able to deceive all those who took the mark of the first Beast by doing miracles or supernatural things.

One other name used in error as describing Satan is **Destroyer**. One needs to be very careful with this since it applies to a special angel of God. It first appears as the angel that took the life of the first born in the 10th plague of Egypt. The Destroyer passed over the Israelites as given in the following scripture.

Exo 12:23 For the LORD will pass through to smite the Egyptians; and when he seeth the blood upon the lintel, and on the two side posts, the LORD will pass over the door, and will not suffer **the destroyer** to come in unto your houses to smite *you*.

Second the Destroyer is the angel of God that brought plagues upon the Israelites at Mount Sinai.

1Co 10:5 But with many of them God was not well pleased: for they were overthrown in the wilderness.

1Co 10:6 Now these things were our examples, to the intent we should not lust after evil things, as they also lusted.

1Co 10:7 Neither be ye idolaters, as *were* some of them; as it is written, The people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to play.

1Co 10:8 Neither let us commit fornication, as some of them committed, and fell in one day three and twenty thousand.

1Co 10:9 Neither let us tempt Christ, as some of them also tempted, and were destroyed of serpents.

1Co 10:10 Neither murmur ye, as some of them also murmured, and were destroyed of **the destroyer**.

Satan does destroy the lives of man and it is one of his actions, but is not a name that is given to him. The Destroyer is a special angel of the LORD.

What has been shown especially in these last two cases is that pastors that go to Bible colleges, are taught and learn things that are not correct. Then they teach their congregations these errors.

2. Characteristics of Satan

Now there are a number of words used to describe the nature of Satan. These are descriptors and not names specifically used for Satan. The first of these used once to describe Satan is **god of this world**. This is found in the scripture below.

2Co 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.

A second one is **tempter**. This is found in 2 scriptures in the New Testament, the main one is given below.

Mat 4:3 And when the **tempter** came to him, he said, If thou be the Son of God, command that these stones be made bread.

A third one is **enemy**. This is found in both the old and New Testament and these are given as follows.

Psa 74:10 O God, how long shall the adversary reproach? shall the **enemy** blaspheme thy name for ever?

Mat 13:39 The **enemy** that sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the world; and the reapers are the angels.

A fourth scripture is has a number of descriptors, these being **murderer, lie, liar, father of lies**. It is given in the following scripture.

Joh 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**.

A fifth descriptor is found in the following two scriptures. It is **power of darkness** and **spiritual wickedness**.

Col 1:13 Who hath delivered us from the **power of darkness**, and hath translated *us* into the kingdom of his dear Son:

Eph 6:12 For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the **darkness of this world**, against **spiritual wickedness** in high places.

A sixth descriptor is **wicked one**. This is found in the scripture that follows.

Mat 13:19 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.

A seventh descriptor is **to deceive**. This is found in the following scriptures and the action occurred early in the garden of Eden.

Rev 20:2 And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years,

Rev 20:3 And cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that he should **deceive the nations no more**, till the thousand years should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little season.

Rev 20:8 And shall go out **to deceive** the nations which are in the four quarters of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together to battle: the number of whom *is* as the sand of the sea.

An important fact to note is that there are other fallen angels that the Bible refers to as devils. These occurred early in the Old Testament as the sons of God that mated and created offspring with women. They are evil and unclean, but they are not Satan. However they act in the same manner as does Satan. They at times reside in people taking over their mind and body. Consider the following scripture.

Luk 4:33 And in the synagogue there was a man, which had a ***spirit of an unclean devil***, and cried out with a loud voice,

At this point in time, many angels following and faithful to Satan still reside in heaven while a few reside on earth.

The following scriptures give us further insight into the nature of Satan. These scriptures first tell us what lead to Satan's fall.

Isa 14:12 How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! *how* art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations!

Isa 14:13 For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north:

Isa 14:14 I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High.

We learn also that Satan was in the Garden of Eden and when he was created he was covered in precious stones of various gems, being extremely colorful, according to the following scripture.

Eze 28:13 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.

In addition we learn that he was an anointed Cherub and resided in the holy mountain of God, where he walked freely in the structure that was enflamed with fire.

Eze 28:14 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.

When he was created he was perfect until iniquity entered into him.

Eze 28:15 Thou *wast* perfect in thy ways from the day that thou wast created, till iniquity was

found in thee.

When he became unjust and wicked, he was filled with violence. **God will cast him out** of His mountain and destroy him. He was a covered Cherub that walked in the gems of fire.

Eze 28:16 By the multitude of thy merchandise they have filled the midst of thee with violence, and thou hast sinned: therefore I will cast thee as profane out of the mountain of God: and I will destroy thee, O covering cherub, from the midst of the stones of fire.

Satan became puffed up in his mind as a result of his beauty and brightness, it corrupted his mind. God will cast him out of heaven and down to the earth. The next section addresses this.

Eze 28:17 *Thine heart was lifted up* because of *thy beauty*, thou hast corrupted thy wisdom by reason of *thy brightness*: I will cast thee to the ground, I will lay thee before kings, that they may behold thee.

There are many characteristics of the nature of Satan that we are given. These are first he is a created angel, that is a Cherub. This is one of the most powerful of the angels and in this case Satan appears to be also an Archangel and leads an army of angels. This army consists of a third of the angels in heaven as will be shown later. Satan was covered with precious stones and was a shiny bright star. He was made with this covering to be very beautiful. This was what lead to his downfall, puffing up his mind and allowing evil thoughts to enter in. He wanted to replace God and control all the angels. Satan worked to blind the minds of people to not believe in Yeshua. He turned into the enemy of God. He tried to tempt Yeshua. He lies and has murdered man as occurred with Job's family and in tempting others to commit murder, such as Cane. He brings evil and temptation to man and is a deceiver trying always to destroy what God values. He is full of spiritual wickedness and darkness or evil. He is an adversary of both man and of God. He works to destroy all what God creates. Continually he is an accuser of man before God. He first took the form of a serpent in the Garden of Eden in order to deceive Eve. His main name describes him as that of a Dragon, which is a large spectacular serpent. He is the prince of the air, or of evil spirits or of evil fallen angels that are in this world. He rules over the fallen world with limits placed upon him by the Holy Spirit. He is cruel and hateful and works through deception. He is a bright and shiny angel, but can transform himself into anything. His goal is focused upon destruction. He is a personification of evil in this world.

3. Analysis of the Dragon

The Dragon is a major part of prophecy as found in the Book of Revelations.

Note the timing of the appearance of this Beast that came up out of the earth, it is at the mid point of the Tribulation.

Rev 9:1 And the fifth angel sounded, and I saw a star fall from heaven unto the earth: and to him was given the key of the bottomless pit.

Rev 9:2 And he opened the bottomless pit; and there arose a smoke out of the pit, as the smoke of a great furnace; and the sun and the air were darkened by reason of the smoke of the pit.

Stars are often used to refer to angels. The bottomless pit was sealed closed until this moment. This second Beast we are told in scripture came out of the bottomless pit,

Rev 11:7 And when they shall have finished their testimony, the beast that ascendeth out of the bottomless pit shall make war against them, and shall overcome them, and kill them.

Rev 17:8 The beast that thou sawest was, and is not; and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit, and go into perdition: and they that dwell on the earth shall wonder, whose names were not written in the book of life from the foundation of the world, when they behold the beast that was, and is not, and yet is.

Satan being a Cherub means he was very special and very powerful. He would have been made possibly even more powerful than the archangels. We know of two archangels, Michael and Gabriel. It is very possible Satan could be the highest archangel as well. An archangel is a head or chief angel. Consider what happens to Satan when he is thrown out of heaven, from the following two verses.

Rev 12:7 And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against *the dragon*; and the *dragon fought and his angels*,

Rev 12:8 And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven.

Rev 12:9 And the *great dragon* was cast out, that *old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan*, which deceiveth the whole world: *he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.*

There are a number of descriptors in the above verse. The Dragon is that Old Serpent as well as the Devil and also Satan. This confirms that the serpent in the Garden of Eden was Satan.

Other description on throwing out of heaven of the Dragon and his angels is from the following scripture.

Rev 12:4 And his tail drew the **third part of the stars of heaven**, and did **cast them to the earth**: and the dragon stood before the woman which was ready to be delivered, for to devour her child as soon as it was born.

It appears that Satan controlled 1/3 of the angels in heaven, the other 2/3 appear to be controlled by Michael and Gabriel. This would likely indicate 3 archangels. It also appears that since Satan's angels were thrown out of heaven with him, that the archangel is the chief over a company of angels, operated according to man's military rules. The troops being obedient to the

commander. Thus Satan's angels or army would fight with him and when loosing, they were thrown out with him.

The timing of this event of Satan being thrown out of heaven is given to us from various scriptures. We are told that the Devil is now limited to being on earth and is extremely mad since he knows that he has a short time.

Rev 12:12 Therefore rejoice, *ye* heavens, and ye that dwell in them. Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and of the sea! for ***the devil is come down unto you***, having ***great wrath***, because he knoweth that ***he hath but a short time***.

The woe in the scripture above is that of the first woe at the midpoint of the Tribulation. Satan having but a short time is 3 ½ yrs over the last half of the Tribulation.

Next the woman, being the Church or Congregation in Jerusalem that follows Yeshua, flees to a place of refuge in the wilderness. There she is nourished and protected for three and a half years.

Rev 12:13 And when ***the dragon*** saw that he was cast unto the earth, he persecuted the woman which brought forth the man *child*.

Rev 12:14 And to ***the woman*** were given two wings of a great eagle, that she ***might fly into the wilderness***, into her place, where ***she is nourished for a time, and times, and half a time***, from the face of the serpent.

Rev 12:15 And the serpent cast out of his mouth water as a flood after the woman, that he might cause her to be carried away of the flood.

Rev 12:16 And the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed up the flood which the dragon cast out of his mouth.

Rev 12:17 And ***the dragon*** was wroth with the woman, and ***went to make war with the remnant of her seed***, which keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ.

The Dragon becomes mad at the woman's escape and goes after others of Yehsua's followers that did not flee to the place of refuge.

In addition this event is occurring in Jerusalem right at the mid point of the Tribulation as given to us by Yeshua to flee out of Jerusalem.

Mat 24:15 When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand:)

Mat 24:16 Then let them which be in Judaea flee into the mountains:

This is also reinforced in the following verses.

Luk 21:20 And when ye shall see Jerusalem compassed with armies, then know that the desolation thereof is nigh.

Luk 21:21 Then let them which are in Judaea flee to the mountains; and let them which are in the midst of it depart out; and let not them that are in the countries enter thereinto.

There are a lot of activities occurring at this milestone, the Antichrist is sitting in the temple declaring himself to be god and the daily sacrifice by orthodox Jews is stopped. Jerusalem is surrounded by an army, the fifth trumpet sounds, an angel with the key to the bottomless pit opens it, and the second beast comes out of it as well as smoke and special locusts. Satan is throw down to earth with 3 ½ years remaining, the woman flees to a place of refuge in the wilderness. Satan goes after attacking the Saints after she got away. The three woes are announced. And this is the time of the first woe. The special locusts and smoke arise out of the bottomless pit are the eighth plague.

Other scriptures referencing the Dragon are given in the following.

Rev 13:2 And **the beast** which I saw was like unto a leopard, and his feet were as *the feet* of a bear, and his mouth as the mouth of a lion: and **the dragon** gave him his power, and his seat, and great authority.

Rev 13:4 And they worshipped **the dragon** which gave power unto **the beast**: and they worshipped the beast, saying, Who *is* like unto the beast? who is able to make war with him?

These tell us Satan gives power to the first Beast, which leads a conglomeration of Nations.

The second Beast is released out of the bottomless pit and it is a spiritual Beast or fallen angel. It has power and is able to create miracles.

Rev 13:11 And I beheld **another beast** coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb, and he spake as a dragon.

Rev 13:12 And he **exerciseth all the power** of the first beast before him, and causeth the earth and them which dwell therein **to worship the first beast**, whose deadly wound was healed.

Rev 13:13 And he doeth great wonders, so that **he maketh fire come down from heaven** on the earth in the sight of men,

Rev 13:14 And deceiveth them that dwell on the earth by *the means of* those miracles which he had power to do in the sight of the beast; saying to them that dwell on the earth, that they should **make an image to the beast**, which had the wound by a sword, and did live.

Rev 13:15 And **he had power to give life unto the image of the beast**, that **the image of the beast should both speak**, and cause that as many as would not worship the image of the beast should be killed.

This Second Beast gives power to the First Beast which is the Antichrist, allowing him to do miracles. Fire is brought down from heaven and the idol or image of the first Beast that is made, becomes alive and is able to speak and to kill those people that will not worship it.

To gain understanding of the 2 Beasts read the document "*The Unholy Trinity*".

4. Summary

Satan goes by many names but most are of personal characteristics that describe him. HE has four main names, Satan, Dragon, Serpent and Devil, a close fourth would be Lucifer.

Satan is the evil that permeates through this world. He is the enemy of God and the enemy of man, and especially of God's chosen people. Satan is filled with hate and is cruel and has a single focus which is to sit in the throne of God in heaven. Therefore whenever he can, he uses men to do his will here on this earth. He is a master at using deception in order to have people go against God.

Our heavenly Father has given us free will and God's word warns us many times to watch out for deception. Deception leads to sin and is everywhere. Sin is Satan's domain in the world until the end of the Tribulation. Watching out for deception is emphasized as being especially important in the end time. Satan knows the Bible and therefore his actions of deception will be well hidden. Look at the world today, it is full of lies, these come from the news media, from world leaders and from many people in positions of having power over others. As well large organizations and companies are all acting to deceive the world as agents of Satan. This also includes the pharmaceutical industry and a number of Church leaders.

We need the LORD's help to be able to walk in His way and keep sin out of our life and out of our mind. The battle we are in is a spiritual one, evil verses good, Satan verses God. We know the outcome as given in God's word, we need to be very careful that we walk properly and be extremely aware of deception. We need to ask God to walk with us and help us in our walk. We are alive in the end times, in the times of sorrow, and knowing God's word is super important as one's salvation depends upon it.

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