

# 1 Exposing The Enemy's Motives Dawn of Darkness

Series: Supernatural Struggle

**Isaiah 14:11-17**

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This morning we will be quickly looking at the **Two Old Testament** passages that refer to **Lucifer** who called **Satan, Beelzebub, the Devil,** and other names. They are **Isaiah 14:11-17 & Ezekiel 28:11-15**

**Isaiah 14:11-17** Your pomp is brought down to **Sheol**, the sound of your harps; maggots are laid as a bed beneath you, and worms are your covers. <sup>12</sup> "How you are fallen from heaven, **O Day Star**, son of Dawn! How you are cut down to the ground, you who laid the **nations low!** <sup>13</sup> You said in your heart, '**I will** ascend to heaven; above the stars of God **I will** set my throne on high; **I will** sit on the mount of assembly in the far reaches of the north; <sup>14</sup> **I will** ascend above the heights of the clouds; **I will** make myself like the Most High.' <sup>15</sup> But you are brought down to **Sheol**, to the far reaches of the pit. <sup>16</sup> Those who see you will stare at you and ponder over you: 'Is this the man who made the earth tremble, who shook kingdoms, <sup>17</sup> who made the world like a desert and overthrew its cities, who did not let his prisoners go home?'

Here is the story of **personal war** with God.

There are **Four Part's** to Satan's Story.

I. **Satan's Story Exposes His Place (12) O Day Star, son of Dawn!**

The first creatures that God created to inhabit His kingdom were an order of intelligent spirit beings called **angels**. God had created all spirit beings as good, but with a **will to choose**.

In the Spirit World God created **three great leaders**

**Michael**: Referred to **the Archangel** in **Jude 1:9**  
But even the **archangel Michael**,

**Gabriel**: Is associated with the redemptive work of God. **Luke 1:19** I am Gabriel, that stands in the presence of God

**Lucifer**: He started as what was probably the highest position of a created being. His beauty was amazing. His job was probably guarding the holiness of God, until he fell. **Ezekiel 28:11-15**

- A. **He was Created Blameless**. (**Ezekiel 28:15**)  
You were blameless in your ways from the day you were created till wickedness was found in you
- B. **He was Created Beautiful**. (**Ezekiel 28:13**)  
You were in **Eden**, the garden of God; every precious stone **adorned** you: ruby, topaz and emerald, chrysolite, onyx and jasper, sapphire, turquoise and beryl. Your settings and mountings were made of gold; on the day you were created they were prepared.
- C. **He was Created Brilliant**. (**Ezekiel 28:12**)  
"Son of man, take up a lament concerning the king of Tyre and say to him: 'This is what the Sovereign LORD says: "'You were the model of perfection, **full of wisdom** and perfect in beauty.
- D. **He was Created Blessed** (**Ezekiel 28:14**) You were **anointed as a guardian cherub**, for so I **ordained** you. You were on the holy mount of God; you walked among the fiery stones.

## II. Satan's Story Exposes His Problem (13-14)

### A. It all Started with a Determined Essence (13a) You said in your heart

#### The Five "I Wills" of Satan

1. **Satan is Determined** to Dethrone God  
(13b) 'I will ascend to heaven; above the stars of God
2. **Satan is Determined** to Diminish God  
(13c) I will set my throne on high;
3. **Satan is Determined** to Demote God  
(13d) I will sit on the mount of assembly in the far reaches of the north;
4. **Satan is Determined** to Displace God  
(14a) I will ascend above the heights of the clouds;
5. **Satan is Determined** to Defeat God (14b)  
I will make myself like the Most High.'

Satan's problem was his pride. He wanted to be above God. Notice how many times the words "I will" appear in these two verses.

## III. Satan's Story Exposes His Plummet (12, 15-16)

### A. Satan's Plummet Exposes his Rebellion (12a) "How you are fallen from heaven, O Day Star, son of Dawn! How you are cut down to the ground, you who laid the nations low!

**Revelation 12:3-4** Then another sign appeared in heaven: an enormous red dragon with seven heads and ten horns and seven crowns on his heads. 4 **His tail swept a third of the stars** out of the sky and flung them to the earth. The dragon stood in front of the woman who was about to give birth, so that he might devour her child the moment it was born.

**Revelation 12:7** And there was **war in heaven**. Michael and his angels fought against the dragon, and the dragon and his angels fought back.

- B. **Satan's Plummet Exposes his Restriction (15)** But you are brought down to Sheol, to the far reaches of the pit.

**Revelation 12:8-9** But he was not strong enough, and they lost their place in heaven. 9 The great dragon was **hurled down**-- that ancient serpent called the devil, or Satan, who leads the whole world astray. He was **hurled to the earth, and his angels with him**.

- C. **Satan's Plummet Exposes his Resented (16)** Those who see you will **stare at you** and ponder over you: 'Is this the man who made the earth tremble, who shook kingdoms,

#### IV. **Satan's Story Exposes His Prospect (11)**

- A. **Satan's Prospect finds him in a New Palace (11a)** Your pomp is **brought down to Sheol**, the sound of your harps;

- B. **Satan's Prospect finds him in a New Position (11b)**

1. **New Couch** maggots are laid as a **bed beneath you**,

2. **New Covers** and worms are your covers.

Satan is already defeated. His Fate is already sealed!

Ultimately, he will be cast into the "**Lake of Fire**"

**Revelation 20:7-10** When the thousand years are over, Satan will be released from his prison <sup>8</sup> and will go out to deceive the nations in the four corners of the earth-- Gog and Magog-- to gather them for battle. In number they are like the sand on the seashore. <sup>9</sup> They marched across the breadth of the earth and surrounded the camp of God's people, the city he loves. But fire came down from heaven and devoured them. <sup>10</sup> And the devil, who deceived them, was thrown into the lake of burning sulfur, where the beast and the false prophet had been thrown. They will be tormented day and night for ever and ever.

**Satan's Motives are not only to attack God, but to also attack His Children. You and me!**

**Revelation 12:10-11** Then I heard a loud voice in heaven say, "Now the salvation and power and kingdom of our God, and the authority of his Christ have come. The accuser of our brothers and sisters, who accuses them day and night before our God, has been thrown down. <sup>11</sup> They gained the victory over him on account of the blood of the Lamb and the word of their witness. Love for their own lives didn't make them afraid to die.

**What Must I Do?**

1. Receive Christ as your Savior **1 John 5:4-5**

**1 John 5:4-5** For everyone who has been **born of God** overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world-- our faith. <sup>5</sup> Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

2. **Refuse** to participate in any occult practices

**Colossians 1:13** He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son,

3. **Renounce** Satan and his work **Acts 19:19**

**Acts 19:19** And a number of those who had practiced magic arts brought their books together and burned them in the sight of all. And they counted the value of them and found it came to fifty thousand pieces of silver.

4. **Resist** Satan **James 4:7**

**James 4:7** Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.

Next week we will be **Exposing The Enemies Weaknesses** which will better equip you to **Defeating Satan**.

**The War has already been won!**

**When Satan Reminds You of Your Past - You Remind Him of His Future!**

**Praise Team Takes the Platform**