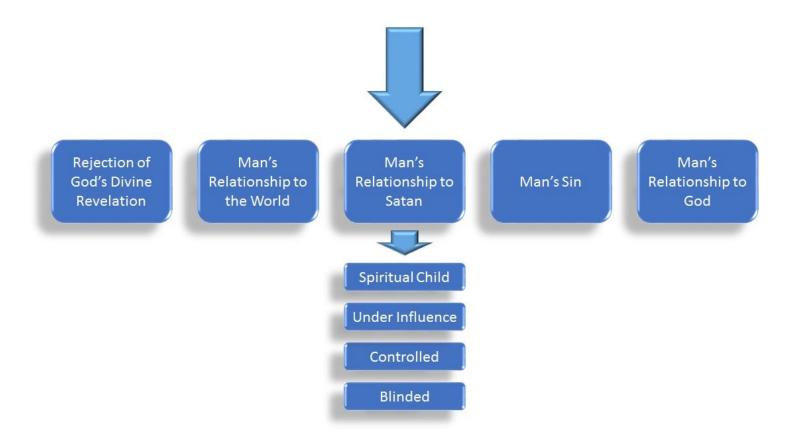
Who's Your Daddy??? Part 4

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THIRD COUNT OF LOST: Man's Relationship With Satan Condemns Him.



Satan is real.

He was a created cherub who sinned against God.

Ezekiel 28:12-19

¹² "Son of man, take up a lamentation over the king of Tyre and say to him, 'Thus says the Lord God,

"You had the seal of perfection,

Full of wisdom and perfect in beauty.

13 "You were in Eden, the garden of God;

Every precious stone was your covering:

The ruby, the topaz and the diamond;

The beryl, the onyx and the jasper;

The lapis lazuli, the turquoise and the emerald;
And the gold, the workmanship of your settings and sockets,
Was in you.

On the day that you were created
They were prepared.

14 "You were the anointed cherub who covers,
And I placed you there.
You were on the holy mountain of God;
You walked in the midst of the stones of fire.

15 "You were blameless in your ways
From the day you were created
Until unrighteousness was found in you.

16 "By the abundance of your trade
You were internally filled with violence,
And you sinned;
Therefore I have cast you as profane
From the mountain of God.
And I have destroyed you, O covering cherub,
From the midst of the stones of fire.
17 "Your heart was lifted up because of your beauty;
You corrupted your wisdom by reason of your splendor.
I cast you to the ground;
I put you before kings,
That they may see you.

18 "By the multitude of your iniquities,
In the unrighteousness of your trade
You profaned your sanctuaries.
Therefore I have brought fire from the midst of you;
It has consumed you,
And I have turned you to ashes on the earth
In the eyes of all who see you.

19 "All who know you among the peoples
Are appalled at you;
You have become terrified
And you will cease to be forever.""

Satan's wisdom, and beauty led to pride and his subsequent downfall. Isaiah 14:12-17

12 "How you have fallen from heaven, O star of the morning, son of the dawn! You have been cut down to the earth, You who have weakened the nations!

¹³ "But you said in your heart, 'I will ascend to heaven; I will raise my throne above the stars of God, And I will sit on the mount of assembly In the recesses of the north. I will ascend above the heights of the clouds;
 I will make myself like the Most High.'
 "Nevertheless you will be thrust down to Sheol,
 To the recesses of the pit.

16 "Those who see you will gaze at you, They will ponder over you, saying, 'Is this the man who made the earth tremble, Who shook kingdoms,

¹⁷ Who made the world like a wilderness And overthrew its cities, Who did not allow his prisoners to go home?'

Since Satan's fall, he has become the archenemy of God and of His program to restore mankind to Himself. In the future, Satan will be cast into the lake of fire, where he will be tormented forever and ever.

- Mathew 25:41 ⁴¹ "Then He will also say to those on His left, 'Depart from Me, accursed ones, into the eternal fire which has been prepared for the devil and his angels;
- Revelation 20:10 ¹⁰ And the devil who deceived them was thrown into the lake of fire and ¹brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are also; and they will be tormented day and night forever and ever.

In Satan's opposition to God, he sustains a definite relationship to the world of mankind.

- Through his temptation, Eve ate of God's forbidden fruit in the Garden of Eden.
- Satan constantly pounces on natural man using man's degradation and ability-to-only-sin nature to relentlessly tempt, and tempt, and tempt man to constantly stay in rebellion to God.
- Satan has been active in the world of human affairs ever since the Garden.

The Lost Are Spiritual Children of Satan

Every sinner is a "spiritual" child of the devil. When Adam & Eve sinned, they lost their position before God. All descendants were conceived in sin and since birth have not had the ability-not-to-sin. So you did what was natural in this world. You lived in this world as a natural citizen ruled by hell-bent Satan, who is your God.

Until Man rejects Satan AND by faith accepts God and the redeeming work of Jesus Christ, there can be no change of citizenship. Satan is your god and your daddy and you will share in his future punishment.





Spiritual Child of Satan

Subject to Kingdom of Satan Under The Direct Control of Satan Satan Blinds Minds & Spiritual Perception of the Lost

1 John 3:10 ¹⁰ By this the children of God and the children of the devil are obvious: anyone who does not practice righteousness is not of God, nor the one who does not love his brother.

John 8:42-44 ⁴²Jesus said to them, "If God were your Father, you would love Me, for I proceeded forth and have come from God, for I have not even come on My own initiative, but He sent Me. ⁴³ Why do you not understand what I am saying? It is because you cannot hear My word. ⁴⁴ You are of your father the devil, and you want do the desires of your father. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth because there is no truth in him. Whenever he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own nature, for he is a liar and the father of lies.

- Mankind does not love Christ because Satan, their father, does not love Christ.
- They do not respond to the divine Word of God.
- They hate, murder, lie, all because of their spiritual, satanic nature.
- Just as Satan stands condemned for his actions and character, so will Satan's children (followers).

Satan is the ruler of this world and the 'lost' are his subjects

Not only is Satan a father to sinners, but Paul calls him a ruler.

- Colossians 1:13 For He rescued us from the domain of darkness, and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son,
- John 12:31 Now judgment is upon this world; now the ruler of this world will be cast out.
- Ephesians 2:2 in which you formerly walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, of the spirit that is now working in the sons of disobedience.
- 2 Corinthians 4:4 in whose case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelieving so that they might not see the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God.

- Ephesians 6:12 For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the powers, against the world forces of this darkness, against the spiritual forces of wickedness in the heavenly places.
- Matthew 4:8-9 ⁸ Again, the devil *took Him to a very high mountain and *showed Him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory; ⁹ and he said to Him, "All these things I will give You, if You fall down and worship me."

Satan is clearly the ruler over a world of fallen men and angels. And Jesus did not contest Satan's claim that he could give Jesus dominion over the nations of the world. Not only did Jesus reject Satan, but so must we.

The lost are also under the direct control of Satan

- Ephesians 2:2 ² in which you formerly walked according to the ^[a]course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, of the spirit that is now working in the sons of disobedience.
- Look again at Ephesians 2:2 just above. The lost walk according to satanic goals, satanic likes and satanic dislikes.
- The devil is a 'spirit' that now works in the sons of disobedience.
- The Greek idea behind 'is now working' is energy. Satan energizes the lost. He works in and through them to accomplish his will. This means that no lost person has a totally free will. An anti-Christ, anti-God will is steering the life of the lost.

Satan Blinds the 'Lost'

Satan blinds the minds and spiritual perception of the lost.

2 Corinthians 4:4 $\,^4$ in whose case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelieving so that they might not see the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God.

- When a man's natural eyes are blinded, he cannot see by the light of the sun. When's man's mind, or spiritual eyes are blinded he cannot see the spiritual light of the Son of God, Jesus Christ. Jesus is the light of men. He shines in the world of the blind lost. John 1:4-5 (* In Him was life, and the life was the Light of men. ⁵ The Light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it.)
- The lost do not believe they are blind, rather enlightened. This is part of Satan's plan of deception. When men think that they can understand spiritual truth, but they really cannot, then Satan has succeeded in blinding them. When one admits their spiritual blindness, then they have taken the first step. John 9:41 ⁴¹ Jesus said to them, "If you were blind, you would have no sin; but since you say, 'We see,' your sin remains.

- Satan's goal is to keep sinners from the life God wants for them. Ephesians 4:17-18 ¹⁷ So this I say, and affirm together with the Lord, that you walk no longer just as the Gentiles also walk, in the futility of their mind, ¹⁸ being darkened in their understanding, ^[a] excluded from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them, because of the hardness of their heart;
- Just as God created light to dispel the darkness. (Genesis 1:3 ³ Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light), so God today must create spiritual light to dispel man's moral blindness (2 Corinthians 4:6 ⁶ For God, who said, "Light shall shine out of darkness," is the One who has shone in our hearts to give the Light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ.)

