

# The Fall

Genesis 3:1 – 3:24

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# Genesis Pre-History Covenants Six Covenants That Apply to All Humanity

1. Covenant with Creation
2. Covenant of Marriage
- 3. Covenant with Adam**
4. Covenant of Brotherhood
5. Covenant with Noah
6. Covenant with Abraham

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## Genesis 3:1-7 [ESV]

<sup>1</sup> Now the serpent was more crafty than any other beast of the field that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, “Did God actually say, ‘You shall not eat of any tree in the garden?’” <sup>2</sup> And the woman said to the serpent, “We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden, <sup>3</sup> but God said, ‘You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the midst of the garden, neither shall you touch it, lest you die.’” <sup>4</sup> But the serpent said to the woman, “You will not surely die. <sup>5</sup> For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.” <sup>6</sup> So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate, and she also gave some to her husband who was with her, and he ate. <sup>7</sup> Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked. And they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loincloths.

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## Genesis 3:8-13 [ESV]

<sup>8</sup> And they heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden. <sup>9</sup> But the Lord God called to the man and said to him, “Where are you?” <sup>10</sup> And he said, “I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself.” <sup>11</sup> He said, “Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?” <sup>12</sup> The man said, “The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate.” <sup>13</sup> Then the Lord God said to the woman, “What is this that you have done?” The woman said, “The serpent deceived me, and I ate.”

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## Genesis 3:14-19 [ESV]

<sup>14</sup>The Lord God said to the serpent, “Because you have done this, cursed are you above all livestock and above all beasts of the field; on your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. <sup>15</sup>I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel.” <sup>16</sup>To the woman he said, “I will surely multiply your pain in childbearing; in pain you shall bring forth children. Your desire shall be for your husband, and he shall rule over you.” <sup>17</sup>And to Adam he said, “Because you have listened to the voice of your wife and have eaten of the tree of which I commanded you, ‘You shall not eat of it,’ cursed is the ground because of you; in pain you shall eat of it all the days of your life; <sup>18</sup>thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for you; and you shall eat the plants of the field. <sup>19</sup>By the sweat of your face you shall eat bread, till you return to the ground, for out of it you were taken; for you are dust, and to dust you shall return.”

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## Genesis 3:20-24 [ESV]

<sup>20</sup>The man called his wife’s name Eve, because she was the mother of all living. <sup>21</sup>And the Lord God made for Adam and for his wife garments of skins and clothed them. <sup>22</sup>Then the Lord God said, “Behold, the man has become like one of us in knowing good and evil. Now, lest he reach out his hand and take also of the tree of life and eat, and live forever—” <sup>23</sup>therefore the Lord God sent him out from the garden of Eden to work the ground from which he was taken. <sup>24</sup>He drove out the man, and at the east of the garden of Eden he placed the cherubim and a flaming sword that turned every way to guard the way to the tree of life.

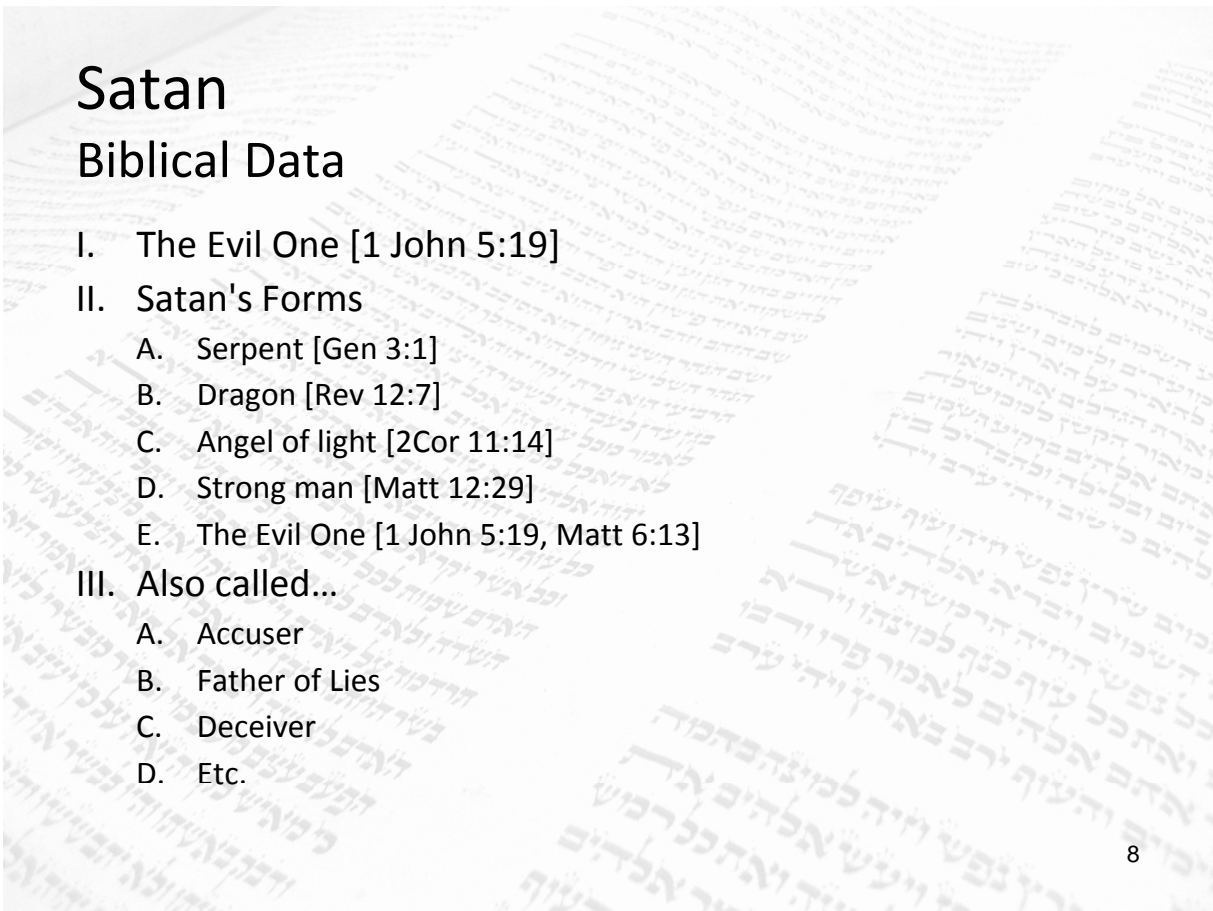
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# Satan

## Biblical Overview

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## Biblical Data

- I. The Evil One [1 John 5:19]
- II. Satan's Forms
  - A. Serpent [Gen 3:1]
  - B. Dragon [Rev 12:7]
  - C. Angel of light [2Cor 11:14]
  - D. Strong man [Matt 12:29]
  - E. The Evil One [1 John 5:19, Matt 6:13]
- III. Also called...
  - A. Accuser
  - B. Father of Lies
  - C. Deceiver
  - D. Etc.

## Satan as the Evil One

### Matthew 6:7-15 [ESV]

<sup>7</sup>“And when you pray, do not heap up empty phrases as the Gentiles do, for they think that they will be heard for their many words. <sup>8</sup>Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him. <sup>9</sup>Pray then like this:

“Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.

<sup>10</sup>Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

<sup>11</sup>Give us this day our daily bread,

<sup>12</sup>and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors.

<sup>13</sup>And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from...

[“the Evil One”, ]

<sup>14</sup>For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you, <sup>15</sup>but if you do not forgive others their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

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## Satan as a Dragon

### Revelation 12:3-9 [ESV]

<sup>3</sup>And another sign appeared in heaven: behold, **a great red dragon, with seven heads and ten horns, and on his heads seven diadems.** <sup>4</sup>**His tail swept down a third of the stars of heaven and cast them to the earth.** And the dragon stood before the woman who was about to give birth, so that when she bore her child he might devour it. <sup>5</sup>She gave birth to a male child, one who is to rule all the nations with a rod of iron, but her child was caught up to God and to his throne, <sup>6</sup>and the woman fled into the wilderness, where she has a place prepared by God, in which she is to be nourished for 1,260 days. <sup>7</sup>Now war arose in heaven, Michael and his angels fighting against the dragon. And the dragon and his angels fought back, <sup>8</sup>but he was defeated and there was no longer any place for them in heaven. <sup>9</sup>**And the great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world—he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him.**

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# Satan as an Angel of Light

## 2 Corinthians 11:1-15 [ESV]

<sup>1</sup> I wish you would bear with me in a little foolishness. Do bear with me! <sup>2</sup> I feel a divine jealousy for you, for I betrothed you to one husband, to present you as a pure virgin to Christ. <sup>3</sup> **But I am afraid that as the serpent deceived Eve by his cunning,** your thoughts will be led astray from a sincere and pure devotion to Christ. <sup>4</sup> For if someone comes and proclaims another Jesus than the one we proclaimed, or if you receive a different spirit from the one you received, or if you accept a different gospel from the one you accepted, you put up with it readily enough. <sup>5</sup> I consider that I am not in the least inferior to these super-apostles ... <sup>13</sup> For such men are false apostles, deceitful workmen, disguising themselves as apostles of Christ. <sup>14</sup> And no wonder, for even **Satan disguises himself as an angel of light.** <sup>15</sup> So it is no surprise if his servants, also, disguise themselves as servants of righteousness. Their end will correspond to their deeds.

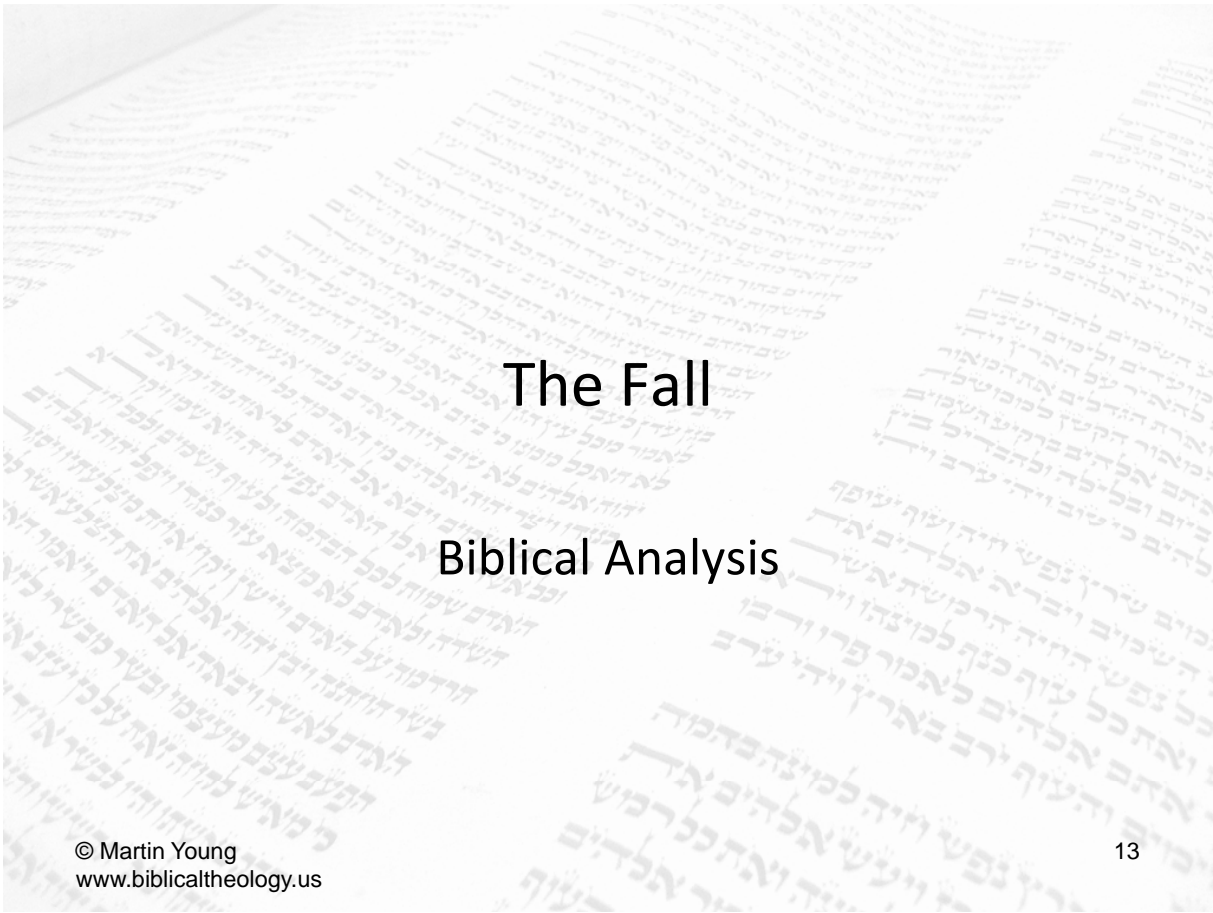
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# Satan as a Strong Man

## Matthew 12:22-29 [ESV]

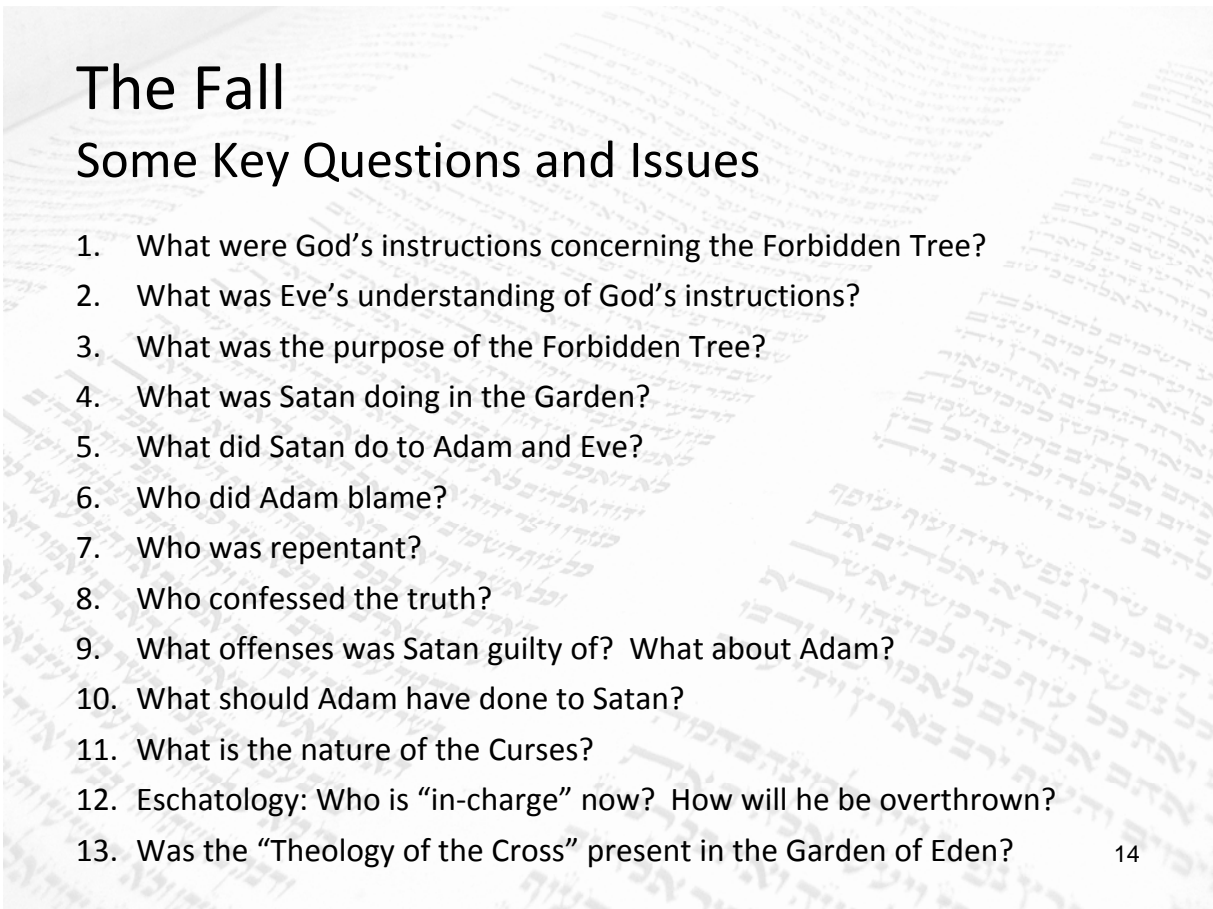
<sup>22</sup> Then a demon-oppressed man who was blind and mute was brought to him, and he healed him, so that the man spoke and saw. <sup>23</sup> And all the people were amazed, and said, "Can this be the Son of David?" <sup>24</sup> But when the Pharisees heard it, they said, "It is only by Beelzebul, the prince of demons, that this man casts out demons." <sup>25</sup> Knowing their thoughts, he said to them, "Every kingdom divided against itself is laid waste, and no city or house divided against itself will stand. <sup>26</sup> **And if Satan casts out Satan, he is divided against himself. How then will his kingdom stand?** <sup>27</sup> **And if I cast out demons by Beelzebul, by whom do your sons cast them out? Therefore they will be your judges.** <sup>28</sup> **But if it is by the Spirit of God that I cast out demons, then the kingdom of God has come upon you.** <sup>29</sup> **Or how can someone enter a strong man's house and plunder his goods, unless he first binds the strong man?** Then indeed he may plunder his house.

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## Biblical Analysis



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## Some Key Questions and Issues

1. What were God's instructions concerning the Forbidden Tree?
2. What was Eve's understanding of God's instructions?
3. What was the purpose of the Forbidden Tree?
4. What was Satan doing in the Garden?
5. What did Satan do to Adam and Eve?
6. Who did Adam blame?
7. Who was repentant?
8. Who confessed the truth?
9. What offenses was Satan guilty of? What about Adam?
10. What should Adam have done to Satan?
11. What is the nature of the Curses?
12. Eschatology: Who is "in-charge" now? How will he be overthrown?
13. Was the "Theology of the Cross" present in the Garden of Eden?

# The Covenant with Adam

## Genesis 2:15-17 [ESV]

<sup>15</sup>The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to work it and keep it. <sup>16</sup>And the Lord God commanded the man, saying, “You may surely eat of every tree of the garden, <sup>17</sup>but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die.”

**How should we understand the Adamic Covenant?**

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# What Was Eve’s Understanding?

## Genesis 3:2-3 [ESV]

<sup>2</sup>And the woman said to the serpent, “We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden, <sup>3</sup>but God said, ‘You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the midst of the garden, neither shall you touch it, lest you die.’”

### Key Questions

1. **What is the flaw in Eve’s understanding?**
2. **Where did this come from?**
3. **Why wasn’t it corrected?**

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## What Was The Purpose of the Forbidden Tree? Genesis 1:22-23

<sup>5</sup> For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and **you will be like God, knowing good and evil.**” – Satan [Gen 1:5]

<sup>22</sup> Then the Lord God said, “**Behold, the man has become like one from amongst us knowing good and evil...**” – God [Gen 1:22]

### Key Questions

1. **Did the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil impart the Knowledge of Good and Evil?**
2. **Was Satan right? Did the Man become “like” God?**

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## What Was Satan Doing In the Garden? Genesis 1:28 and 2:19-20 [ESV]

Genesis 1:28: <sup>28</sup> And God blessed them. And God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth.”

Genesis 2:19-20: <sup>19</sup> So out of the ground the Lord God formed every beast of the field and every bird of the heavens and brought them to the man to see what he would call them. And whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. <sup>20</sup> The man gave names to all livestock and to the birds of the heavens and to every beast of the field. But for Adam there was not found a helper fit for him.

### Key Questions

1. **Did Adam have authority over Satan?**

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# What Did Satan Do to Adam and Eve?

## John 8:44 [ESV]

... He [Satan] was a murderer from the beginning, and has nothing to do with the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he lies, he speaks out of his own character, for he is a liar and the father of lies.

### Key Questions

1. Why does Jesus call Satan a murderer from the beginning?
2. What was Satan's MURDER WEAPON?
3. Did Satan succeed in his murder?
4. Did Satan have an accomplice?

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# Who Was Repentant?

## Analysis of Adam, Eve, or the Serpent?

- I. Is the Serpent repentant?
- II. Is Eve repentant? (Gen 3:13)

<sup>13</sup> Then the Lord God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "**The serpent deceived me, and I ate.**"

- III. Is Adam repentant? (Gen 3:12)

<sup>10</sup> And he said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself." <sup>11</sup> He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" <sup>12</sup> The man said, "**The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate.**"

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# Who Did Adam Blame?

## Matthew 5:37

**ESV:** Let what you say be simply 'Yes' or 'No'; anything more than this comes from evil.

**NET:** Let your word be 'Yes, yes' or 'No, no.' More than this is from **the evil one**.

**GNT:** ἔστω δὲ ὁ λόγος ὑμῶν ναὶ ναί, οὐ οὐ· τὸ δὲ περισσὸν τούτων ἐκ **τοῦ πονηροῦ** ἐστίν.

### Key Questions

1. **Why didn't Adam answer God with a simple "Yes?"**
2. **Who did Adam blame for the Fall?**  
**"The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate."**

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# Who Confessed the Truth?

## 1 Timothy 2:9-14 [ESV]

<sup>9</sup>... women should adorn themselves in respectable apparel, with modesty and self-control, not with braided hair and gold or pearls or costly attire, <sup>10</sup> but with what is proper for women who profess godliness—with good works. <sup>11</sup> Let a woman learn quietly with all submissiveness. <sup>12</sup> I do not permit a woman to teach or to exercise authority over a man; rather, she is to remain quiet. <sup>13</sup> **For Adam was formed first, then Eve;** <sup>14</sup> **and Adam was not deceived, but the woman was deceived and became a transgressor.**

### Key Questions

1. **Was Adam deceived?**
2. **Was Eve deceived?**

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# What Offenses Was Satan Guilty Of?

1. Blasphemy
2. Idolatry
3. Profaning God's Name
4. Profaning the Sabbath
5. Dishonoring Humanity's Parent
6. Murder
7. Adultery
8. Theft
9. Bearing False Witness
10. Coveting

**What are these?**

**Who else was guilty of all of these offenses too?** 23

# What should Adam have done to Satan?

## The Nature of the Forbidden Tree

- I. What should Adam have done to the serpent?
- II. What should Adam have done to Eve?
  - A. Remember: Marriage as an Image of God
- III. What did Adam do? (Genesis 3:6)

<sup>6</sup>So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate, and she also gave some to her husband who was with her, and he ate.

**Did Adam have to eat of the Forbidden Tree to acquire the Knowledge of Good and Evil?**

# What is the Nature of the Curses?

## Genesis 3:14-19 [ESV]

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<sup>16</sup>To the woman he said, “**I will surely multiply your pain in childbearing; in pain you shall bring forth children. Your desire shall be for your husband, and he shall rule over you.”**

<sup>17</sup>And to Adam he said, “Because you have listened to the voice of your wife and have eaten of the tree of which I commanded you, ‘You shall not eat of it,’ cursed is the ground because of you; in pain you shall eat of it all the days of your life; <sup>18</sup>thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for you; and you shall eat the plants of the field. <sup>19</sup>By the sweat of your face you shall eat bread, till you return to the ground, for out of it you were taken; **for you are dust, and to dust you shall return.**” 25

# Adam’s Curse

## Various References

- I. Genesis 18:27 <sup>27</sup> Abraham answered and said, “Behold, I have undertaken to speak to the Lord, **I who am but dust and ashes.**
- II. 1 Peter 5:7 <sup>8</sup> Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, **seeking someone to devour.**
- III. 1 Corinthians 15:45-49 <sup>45</sup> Thus it is written, “The first man Adam became a living being”; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit. <sup>46</sup> But it is not the spiritual that is first but the natural, and then the spiritual. <sup>47</sup> The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven. <sup>48</sup> **As was the man of dust, so also are those who are of the dust,** and as is the man of heaven, so also are those who are of heaven. <sup>49</sup> Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we shall also bear the image of the man of heaven.

# Eschatological Implications

## Satan as the Devourer

- I. Mark 9:47-49 <sup>47</sup> And if your eye causes you to sin, tear it out. It is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than with two eyes to be thrown into hell, <sup>48</sup> 'where their worm does not die and the fire is not quenched.' <sup>49</sup> For everyone will be salted with fire.
- II. 1 Peter 5:8-9 <sup>8</sup> Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. <sup>9</sup> Resist him, firm in your faith, knowing that the same kinds of suffering are being experienced by your brotherhood throughout the world.
- III. Malachi 3:11 <sup>11</sup> I will rebuke the devourer for you, so that it will not destroy the fruits of your soil, and your vine in the field shall not fail to bear, says the Lord of hosts.

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## In the Day...

Genesis 2:16-17 <sup>16</sup> And the Lord God commanded the man, saying, "You may surely eat of every tree of the garden, <sup>17</sup> but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for *in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die.*"

Genesis 3:3-5 <sup>3</sup> but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the midst of the garden, neither shall you touch it, lest you die.' " <sup>4</sup> But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not surely die. <sup>5</sup> For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil."

Genesis 3:6-7 <sup>6</sup> ... she [the woman] took of its fruit and ate, and she also gave some to her husband who was with her, and he ate. <sup>7</sup> Then the eyes of both were opened...

Genesis 5:5 <sup>5</sup> Thus *all the days that Adam lived were 930 years*, and he died.

***What does this have to do with the curses in Genesis 3: 14-19***

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# Eschatological Implications

## The Woman, Her Seed and Her Other Children

- I. Genesis 3:20 <sup>20</sup> The man called his wife's name Eve, because she was the mother of all living.
- II. Revelation 12:13-17 <sup>13</sup> And when the dragon saw that he had been thrown down to the earth, he pursued the woman who had given birth to the male child. <sup>14</sup> But the woman was given the two wings of the great eagle so that she might fly from the serpent into the wilderness, to the place where she is to be nourished for a time, and times, and half a time. <sup>15</sup> The serpent poured water like a river out of his mouth after the woman, to sweep her away with a flood. <sup>16</sup> But the earth came to the help of the woman, and the earth opened its mouth and swallowed the river that the dragon had poured from his mouth. <sup>17</sup> Then the dragon became furious with the woman and went off to make war on the rest of her offspring, on those who keep the commandments of God and hold to the testimony of Jesus. And he stood on the sand of the sea.
- III. Romans 16:20 <sup>20</sup> The God of peace will soon crush Satan under your feet

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# Eschatological Implications

## Defeat of Satan

- I. Revelation 12:7-9 <sup>7</sup> Now war arose in heaven, Michael and his angels fighting against the dragon. And the dragon and his angels fought back, <sup>8</sup> but he was defeated and there was no longer any place for them in heaven. <sup>9</sup> And the great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world—he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him.
- II. Luke 10:17-20 <sup>17</sup> The seventy-two returned with joy, saying, "Lord, even the demons are subject to us in your name!" <sup>18</sup> And he said to them, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. <sup>19</sup> Behold, I have given you authority to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall hurt you. <sup>20</sup> Nevertheless, do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."
- III. 1 Corinthians 6:3 <sup>3</sup> Do you not know that we are to judge angels? How much more, then, matters pertaining to this life!
- IV. Romans 16:20 <sup>20</sup> The God of peace will soon crush Satan under your feet

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# Final Thoughts

## The Adamic Covenant and Theology of the Cross

1. God's intention was to give Humanity the Knowledge of Good and Evil by introducing the Forbidden Tree into the Garden
2. To receive such knowledge, all Humanity need do was judge Satan
3. God gave Adam and Eve authority over Satan
4. Using the Forbidden Tree, Satan blasphemed God and attempted to murder Adam and Eve
5. For Satan's crime, Adam should have hung or crucified Satan against the Forbidden Tree (using Satan's own weapon against him)
6. By judging Satan, Man would have the Knowledge of Good and Evil
7. Unfortunately, Adam becomes Satan's accomplice, thus meriting the same punishment as Satan
8. For their crimes, God judges Satan and Adam
9. Instead of Satan and Adam justly crucified, Christ is unjustly crucified
10. Christ, Eve's Seed, pays Adam's penalty in full through the Cross...