

**Scriptures and Doctrine :: Do these scripture describe satan?****Do these scripture describe satan? - posted by warriorofgod, on: 2008/2/23 9:46**

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Re: Do these scripture describe satan? - posted by psalm1, on: 2008/2/23 11:02

isa; 14;12 " O Lucifer son of the morning"

Am I missing something here?

David

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2008/2/23 11:05

Lucifer, Satan, Dragon, Accuser of the Brethren, Adversary, Devil. The new testament itself is "full" of these references to our true enemy of our souls.

The jewish people had a concept of the devil in their mindset and belief.

Re: - posted by warriorofgod, on: 2008/2/23 11:09

Lucifer was taken from the Latin. It wasn't a term that the Hebrews used. In fact that hebrew word used is Haylel which means "spreading brightness". We use the term Lucifer to describe satan but if you remove that presupposition, what do you have to ensure that was who the scripture was talking about. In context as I have said before, it is talking to about a king.

Re: - posted by warriorofgod, on: 2008/2/23 11:10**Re: Do these scripture describe satan? - posted by psalm1, on: 2008/2/23 11:49**

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

13For 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:

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

15Yet thou shalt be brought down to hell, to the sides of the pit.

16They that see thee shall narrowly look upon thee, and consider thee, saying, Is this the man that made the earth to tremble, that did shake kingdoms;

stick to what you know. There is no need to make this something else.

The context makes it clear this has to be satan

David

Re: - posted by warriorofgod, on: 2008/2/23 12:08

Please forgive me since this kind of subject has not been simple for me. Sticking to what I know has been the norm until I find information that causes me to think. The context does not make room for Satan. It can describe him if we so chose to use it that way, but if you start in the beginning of that chapter, who is the author speaking of? King of babylon. As you can see in verse 16 it was talking about a man. Why does this portion of scripture talk about satan and then it moves back to the king? When you read it, it clearly loses continuity when you interpret it like that. At what verse does it begin to STOP talking about Satan? Who gets to decide? At what verse does it begin to talk about Satan? This is not sarcasm. These are questions even you yourself have asked about certain portions of scripture but considering that this scripture is "widely excepted" to talk about satan we don't think twice about it.

As I have said before, Lucifer was the name associated with satan, but it was not that way for the Hebrews. Read my previous post. Please continue sharpening with me. I do seek the truth and the correct interpretation of the scriptures. I want to be able to bounce my points off of you to see what you would say, so that I can get some clarity on this thank you very much.

Re: - posted by mamaluk, on: 2008/2/23 12:08

Brother David,

Strange you brought this up, for now I am too in doubt of this. I recently came across something A.Pink wrote, really can't remember where, to the effect that Lucifer, may not actually be satan himself, though he had long been assumed the same as Satan!?

(edit: sorry Warriorofgod, posted at the same time)

mamaluk

Re: - posted by warriorofgod, on: 2008/2/23 12:19

Please let me know what you find. This is no way a heretical thing. I seek the truth on how to interpret scripture. There are other arguments I want to propose concerning this subject but I want to see how others respond first so that I can test these scriptures with others understanding.

Re: - posted by warriorofgod, on: 2008/2/23 12:20

who is david?

Re: - posted by mamaluk, on: 2008/2/23 13:17

David is Psalm 1. I was confused. sorry. My post was in response to yours.

mamaluk

Re: - posted by warriorofgod, on: 2008/2/23 15:09

here is that book I think you were talking about.

<http://www.ccel.org/ccel/pink/antichrist.html>

Re: - posted by mamaluk, on: 2008/2/23 15:58

Yes, I forgot, I purchased and read this book a few months ago. I have been reading quite a bit of Pink this past year , quite inspiring and helpful really, thank God.

I think that the "mysterious" things/beings in the unseen world are quite difficult for us to pin down to a total accuracy, when I came across that point in Pink's book, I specifically remember "raising my eyebrows" a bit since I have forever long reckoned Lucifer as Satan.

Whether or not Lucifer=Satan, bibilically, the descriptions of Lucifer alone help my spiritual understanding a great deal, of Evil, and of the parallel sin nature in myself.

Knowing our GOD is greater than all is comforting enough for me. But I must say, I do appreciate the serious attitude of bible students who want to explore deeper into all that contains in this precious Book.

Thank you Warriorofgod.
mamaluk

Re: - posted by warriorofgod, on: 2008/2/23 16:19

Do you think it talks about satan today or do you go with the literal understanding of the text or do you got with the symbolical understanding of the text?

Even though it may not reference Satan directly, do you think it is still ok to say that it describes him? Let know your thoughts.

Re: Do these scripture describe satan? - posted by rowdy2 (), on: 2008/2/23 17:23

Reply to warriorofgod
Nebuchadnezzar was called Lucifer, this name sometimes mistakenly associated with Satan.

Eddie

Re: - posted by mamaluk, on: 2008/2/23 17:57

I tend to agree with Eddie. To avoid letting satan to turn this into a "controversial" debate, I'd rather refrain from getting further into this.

The Lord in Scripture said for us to have a sound mind, (not necessary an open mind), and indeed the soundness of our minds can only come from diligence in searching Scriptures comparing Scriptures to Scriptures.

I also think that overall, most Christians really know all too little about satan and of all his calculating evil ways, in fact, most Christians I met don't seem to take satan seriously at all. Study on, brother.

2 Timothy 2:15

Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

mamaluk

Re: - posted by psalm1, on: 2008/2/24 0:09

warrior, maybe you are right! Sometimes I stick my foot in my mouth.

I just dont know about it.

Could be Lucifer is Nebuchadnezzar?

I read it about 5 times.
Appears you may be right.

Interesting!

David

Re: - posted by psalm1, on: 2008/2/24 0:13

Another possibility is that in vs 12 Lucifer and nebuchadnezzar are being paralleled?

David

Re: - posted by ChrisJD (), on: 2008/2/24 1:12

Dear friends,

I think there is in a sense a focal point in scripture in which the rays of revelation meet.

Christ Jesus, His life, His teachings, His Gospel and that of His Apostles are the prism in which the rays of revelation can be diffused into thier individual hues and by which they can be untited into most brilliant light.

In this case, it seems to me that the hosts of darkness had been so much hidden from view, as darkness would prefer it, but that, when the Army of Heaven, or rather, its Commander, decided to put the battle in full array, that is, that the Word of God was made flesh and pitched His tent among us, that this was enough to flush the hordes of darkness out into light of day.

And so their captain challenged ours and said to Him, speaking of all the kingdoms of the world, and their glory

"All these things will I give thee, if thou wilt fall down and worship me."

But his assault was repulsed and now his army was exposed.

...for whatsoever doth make manifest is light.

Re: Builders - posted by rowdy2 (), on: 2008/2/24 8:21

Reply to Brother Chris,

Building an house unto the name of The Lord our God.

- Abel,
- Noah,
- Abraham,
- Jacob,
- Moses,
- Jethro,
- Joshua,
- Gideon,
- Samuel,
- David,
- Solomon,
- Jehu,
- Hezekiah,
- Jehoshaphat,
- Jabez,
- Asa,
- Josiah,
- Daniel,
- Hananiah,
- Mishael,
- Azariah,

- Zacharias ,
- Simeon,
- Anna, the prophetess,
- The Roman centurion,
- Cornelius, centurion ,

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-Eunice and Lois,

-Simon, who is called Peter,

-Andrew his brother,

-James the son of Zebedee,

-John his brother,

-Philip,

-Bartholomew,

-Thomas,

-Matthew the publican,

-James the son of Alphaeus,

-Lebbaeus, whose surname was Thaddaeus,

-Simon the Canaanite,

-All the disciples in the days of Jesus's earthly ministry,

-Steven,

-Paul,

-You and all the disciples of Jesus who refuse the image of all men and do no unrighteousness in judgment, we who do not respect the person of the poor, nor honor the person of the mighty, but in righteousness we judge our neighbor..

Eddie

Re: - posted by warriorofgod, on: 2008/2/26 19:11

I am curious as how you made that parallel? Please let me know what you drew from to make that conclusion.

Re: - posted by warriorofgod, on: 2008/2/26 19:31

I was speaking about the nebachunezzar and king of babylon parallel. Sorry for my unclarity.

Re:, on: 2008/2/26 23:04

Quote:

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A huge AMEN on this one mamaluk.

Satan is more involved with the BIG threats - but he has 1/3 of Heaven's former population of angels who are now 'demo ns' working with him - on and around us.

He either allows Christians to go fanatical as "demon-busters" or he puts them to sleep to where they think that they are Always dealing with "only flesh and blood". :-(

We NEED Discernment in these days more than ever & anything - because Demons love to be wherever GOD is about to, or is, or will be moving on a people.

They haven't time to mess with carnal lazy self-consumed-already christians or ministries - but they'll aim for any 'Threat s' to satan's filthy GOD hating kingdom - to bring in counterfeits, phenomena, heresies, whatever dissensions/divisions/b ad feelings over non-essentials that they can.

Eph 6:10 Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might.

Eph 6:11 Put on the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.

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.

Eph 6:13 Wherefore take unto you the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.

Eph 6:14 Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness;

Eph 6:15 And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace;

Eph 6:16 Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked.

Eph 6:17 And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God:

Eph 6:18 Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints

We must not be "ignorant of his devices".

Thank you Brother.

Re: Do these scripture describe satan? - posted by crsschk (), on: 2008/2/27 0:00

Hi warrior,

Appreciate your manner of going about this. Have you gone through some of the commentaries on these? Matthew Henry, Albert Barnes, Clarke, Gill, others?

It would be probably a bit much to do so here but I think there is something in the prose for lack of maybe the accurate word here to express more than one thing happening at a time. It may be part Hebraism or I may also be confusing this as well ...

Am thinking of similar instances such as those that describe prophetic, future events while addressing that which is current simultaneously;

Psalm 22

Psa 22:1 My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me? why art thou so far from helping me, and from the words of my roaring?

Psa 22:2 O my God, I cry in the daytime, but thou hearest not; and in the night season, and am not silent.

Psa 22:3 But thou art holy, O thou that inhabitest the praises of Israel.

Psa 22:4 Our fathers trusted in thee: they trusted, and thou didst deliver them.

Psa 22:5 They cried unto thee, and were delivered: they trusted in thee, and were not confounded.

Psa 22:6 But I am a worm, and no man; a reproach of men, and despised of the people.

Psa 22:7 All they that see me laugh me to scorn: they shoot out the lip, they shake the head, saying,

Psa 22:8 He trusted on the LORD that he would deliver him: let him deliver him, seeing he delighted in him.

Psa 22:9 But thou art he that took me out of the womb: thou didst make me hope when I was upon my mother's breasts

.

Psa 22:10 I was cast upon thee from the womb: thou art my God from my mother's belly.

Psa 22:11 Be not far from me; for trouble is near; for there is none to help.

Psa 22:12 Many bulls have compassed me: strong bulls of Bashan have beset me round.

Psa 22:13 They gaped upon me with their mouths, as a ravening and a roaring lion.

Psa 22:14 I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint: my heart is like wax; it is melted in the midst of my bowels.

Psa 22:15 My strength is dried up like a potsherd; and my tongue cleaveth to my jaws; and thou hast brought me into the dust of death.

Psa 22:16 For dogs have compassed me: the assembly of the wicked have inclosed me: they pierced my hands and my feet.

Psa 22:17 I may tell all my bones: they look and stare upon me.

Psa 22:18 They part my garments among them, and cast lots upon my vesture.

Psa 22:19 But be not thou far from me, O LORD: O my strength, haste thee to help me.

Psa 22:20 Deliver my soul from the sword; my darling from the power of the dog.

Psa 22:21 Save me from the lion's mouth: for thou hast heard me from the horns of the unicorns.

Psa 22:22 I will declare thy name unto my brethren: in the midst of the congregation will I praise thee.

Psa 22:23 Ye that fear the LORD, praise him; all ye the seed of Jacob, glorify him; and fear him, all ye the seed of Israel

.

Psa 22:24 For he hath not despised nor abhorred the affliction of the afflicted; neither hath he hid his face from him; but when he cried unto him, he heard.

Psa 22:25 My praise shall be of thee in the great congregation: I will pay my vows before them that fear him.

Psa 22:26 The meek shall eat and be satisfied: they shall praise the LORD that seek him: your heart shall live for ever.

Psa 22:27 All the ends of the world shall remember and turn unto the LORD: and all the kindreds of the nations shall worship before thee.

Psa 22:28 For the kingdom is the LORD'S: and he is the governor among the nations.

Psa 22:29 All they that be fat upon earth shall eat and worship: all they that go down to the dust shall bow before him: and none can keep alive his own soul.

Psa 22:30 A seed shall serve him; it shall be accounted to the Lord for a generation.

Psa 22:31 They shall come, and shall declare his righteousness unto a people that shall be born, that he hath done this.

Just as an example. Isaiah as well readily jumps to mind when it comes to speaking of those things distinctive to the Lord Jesus while also addressing what was in the moment. There is this almost going back and forth it seems and maybe that is due to our benefit of being on the finished end of matters, after the fact.

Am struggling to form my thoughts here, but it seems to be something with sentence structure and verse\prose, language that lends to all this.

Working at a reduced ... capacity\density here with a slight head cold, so not sure how helpful this all is.

Actually, even the commentary on Psalm 22 (and others similar) might be helpful in reconciling those things you are concerned with also in Isaiah and Ezekiel.

Re: - posted by Lowly, on: 2008/2/27 0:42

WarriorofGod,

Maybe you could look at it like the Messianic Psalms. David is writing about himself and then suddenly he speaks prophetically about the Messiah, and then back to his situation. Psalm 69

There is definitely a dualism occurring. As satan exalted himself and wanted to be worshipped as god, and rebelled, so has this king, which we see an example with Nebuchadnezzar, exalted himself to be worshipped as a god. Just like in the Psalms it is specifically speaking of this king, but then it seems to be speaking a prophetic revelation. It is interesting that the city also is mentioned, (the Kingdom), and the sanctuaries, (religious) have polluted themselves with their merchandising.

Satan from the beginning has tempted man to desire to be like god. Caesar raised himself up and eventually they declared themselves to be worshipped as a god.

The beast (the kingdom, the Antichrist (the King), and the False Prophet (religious system) is the same pattern. Satan is behind it all influencing and sowing, he is in the midst. It is just like his rebellion in heaven. Men would rather worship the creature than the Creator. Men exalting themselves, taking for themselves the glory. Babylon was judged and cast down. Rome judged and cast down. This of course is going to happen again.

Just some thoughts.

In His amazing love,
Lowly

Learn of Me for I am meek and lowly of heart.....

Re: - posted by Lowly, on: 2008/2/27 0:46

Dear Mike,

I was posting mine and when I hit submit I saw yours. :-)

You did a much better job explaining it!

Lowly

Re: - posted by warriorofgod, on: 2008/2/27 1:20

To lowly and chrsschek,

I definitely have considered the dualism theory. Thanks for the examples in scripture chrsscheck. There seems to be three theories concerning these Scriptures.

One theory says that this scripture is talking about satan, another theory says this scripture speaks about only the king of babilon which is prophetic of the coming antichrist, and the last theory considers both.

I am being more and more persuaded by the second only because of the origin of the word lucifer. It was a latin word not a hebrew word. And somehow we have associated lucifer with satan. The antichrist is a bit more fitting only because there are dozens of scripture that speak about this wicked ruler in the Old testament. And they outweigh the scriptures that define satan.

I do have to say this though. If the antichrist is the embodiment of evil, then I have no problem dealing with the fact that this scripture may be speaking about attributes of Satan. I just, for some reason or another, can no longer say that this was the authors primary intent. I will check out the commentaries you gentlemen recommended to me and will get back to you. God bless and thank you for all your help.

Re., on: 2008/2/27 3:24

Brother, because of the mention of anti-Christ/King of Babylon and Lucifer, etc. - may I just give a word of caution with this subject - there are such people, as you may well know, called Luciferians. Those who say that the "christ's" real name is Lucifer - just for one. In a similar fashion saying that Jesus was the 'usurper' and that Lucifer was the real intended god/savior. They believe this so strongly that they've been trying to bring this about since Rome, (actually since before creation) but now by "blood-lines" (dna) and "blood-types" and the blood-line people have always been in and are merging even more with the 'blood-type' people. Some suddenly becoming Catholic. Or "Christian" New Agers. This is deep stuff - but that's the nutshell.

Both of those two 'blood' groups - also use the name of "Jesus", "Christ" and "Lord".

The point I'm trying to make is, that Jesus warned us of this in His Sermons about "those days" - the last days. Many will say, I am Christ. That can be taken both ways.

That is just partially why I felt just a simple word of caution for discernment be thrown in and not going to far beyond traditional teachings. Discernment more than anything is to be coveted. And when looking into anti-Christ - the son of perdition - who has satan enter him - just as Judas did, who was also called the son of perdition.

Just googling hêylêl is a bad trip - so to speak.

Suggesting those commentators was alright, but this is a very deep topic. Will be more so in the days ahead. When Jesus said, "Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding count the number of the beast: for it is the number of a man; and his number is Six hundred threescore and six."

That word, "count" psēphizō

G5585 ψηφίζω Thayer Definition:

- 1) to count with pebbles, to compute, calculate, reckon
- 2) to give one's vote by casting a pebble into the urn
- 3) to decide by voting

Part of Speech: verb

A Related Word by Thayer's/Strong's Number: from G5586

MikeB - I'm sure you'll understand this ...

From e-sword alone from R. A. Torrey, one of my favorites, but look at this closely in your e-sword.

The 'cross-references' from his Treasury of Scriptural Knowledge.

Isa 14:12 -

How art thou fallen: Isa_13:10, Isa_34:4; Eze_28:13-17; Luk_10:18; 2Pe_2:4; Rev_12:7-10

Lucifer: or, day-star, 2Pe_1:19; Rev_2:28, Rev_22:16

weaken: Isa_14:4-6; Jer_50:23, Jer_51:20-24

Mat 10:16 Behold, I send you forth as sheep in the midst of wolves: be ye therefore wise as serpents, and harmless as doves.

Jesus always would warn, but then comfort -

2Ti 2:19 Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal, **The Lord knoweth them that are his.** And, Let every one that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity.

Great Grace & Great Peace.

Re: Do these scripture describe satan?, on: 2008/2/27 5:40

Quote:

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Hi there

I've come late to this thread, so thought it was best to begin commenting at the beginning, with your original question.

The Bible often has this kind of "dualism". Jesus described Judas Iscariot as "a devil", even before Satan entered him to do the work of betrayal.

In the case of the two Old Testament passages you mention, they do speak in the first instance of a man, the king of Ba bylon and the Prince of Tyre.

The Lord reveals the nature of a man, a human king, in Isaiah 14 and Ezekiel 28. But as you read on it begins to be plain that it is also describing characteristics that are beyond that of a man, or that they speak of a man **as representing** the Enemy.

Or the Antichrist, in whom Satan is to dwell, who is again a man, but representing Satan.**

Often too, (I think it was Eddie who said it - *** no, Lowly and Mike)***, there are hidden references to the Lord Jesus in the Old Testament. He mentioned Psalm 22. Isaiah 53 is another one, of course, and very many not so obvious. Seek them out, don't get bogged down with studying the nature of Satan as represented by a man, or worry too much about the interpretation of these passages. Look for the Lord Jesus in the Old Testament instead, ask the Lord to reveal Himself as you read. You will be amazed!

I remember being absolutely *thrilled* the first time, as a new Christian, I came across a hidden reference to Jesus, *all by myself!* :-D in Proverbs 8.

﻿22﻿ ﻿Â“The LORD begot me, ﻿ the first-born of his ways,
the forerunner of his prodigies of long ago;
﻿23﻿ ﻿From of old I was poured forth,
at the first, before the earth.
﻿24﻿ When there were no depths I was brought forth,
when there were no fountains or springs of water;
﻿25﻿ Before the mountains were settled into place,
before the hills, I was brought forth;
﻿26﻿ While as yet the earth and the fields were not made,
nor the first clods of the world.
﻿27﻿ Â“When he established the heavens I was there,
when he marked out the vault over the face of the deep;
﻿28﻿ When he made firm the skies above,
when he fixed fast the foundations of the earth;
﻿29﻿ When he set for the sea its limit,
so that the waters should not transgress his command;
﻿30﻿ Then was I beside him as his craftsman,
﻿ and I was his delight day by day,
Playing before him all the while,
﻿31﻿ playing on the surface of his earth;
and I found delight in the sons of men.
﻿32﻿ Â“So now, O children, listen to me;
﻿33﻿ instruction and wisdom do not reject!
Happy the man who obeys me,

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and happy those who keep my ways,
﻿34﻿ Happy the man watching daily at my gates,
waiting at my doorposts;
﻿35﻿ For he who finds me finds life,
and wins favor from the LORD;
﻿36﻿ But he who misses me harms himself;
all who hate me love death.Â”

The original Hebrew word for "wisdom" is feminine, so in this long passage in Proverbs it is often spoken as "she", but doesn't the above quote from it describe Someone far greater than an abstract virtue?

Hope that also helps, there have been some good answers already.

In Him

Jeannette

Re: "Lucifer", on: 2008/2/27 5:54

The word "Lucifer" is a translation of the Hebrew word, meaning, as has been said, Light-bearer or shining one.

This connects with (maybe someone else said this already and I missed it?) 2Corinthians 11. Paul may indeed have the OT passage in mind when he wrote this. He's speaking of those who were troubling the Church and attacking him as not being a "proper" apostle.

13 For such are false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into the apostles of Christ.

14 And no marvel; for ***Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light.***

15 Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works.

You will see the link!

Blessings

Jeannette

Re: Do these scripture describe satan? - posted by rowdy2 (), on: 2008/2/27 9:09

And He lifted up his eyes on his disciples, and said, Blessed be ye poor for yours is the kingdom of God.KJV

As you all know exalted is the opposite of lowly. An image of one self, fashioned in gold is worthy of worship to people without understanding. People who worship starlets that go on to fame and fortune even take political advice from them, buy the toys they endorse, raise their children according to advice in the books they publish.

Who did our Lord make His grave with, when the curse of the law was carried out on Him for our sins?

Who hath believed our report? and to whom is the arm of the Lord revealed? For he shall grow up before him as a tender plant, and as a root out of a dry ground. He hath no form nor comeliness and when we shall see him, there is no beauty that we should desire him. He is despised and rejected of men, a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief. And we hid as it were our faces from him, he was despised, and we esteemed him not. Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows, yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted, but he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities, the chastisement of our peace was upon him and with his stripes we are healed.

All we like sheep have gone astray, we have turned every one to his own way and the Lord hath laid on him the iniquity of us all. He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth he is brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so he openeth not his mouth. He was taken from prison and from

judgment and who shall declare his generation? for he was cut off out of the land of the living for the transgression of my people was he stricken. And he made his grave with the wicked, and with the rich in his death because he had done no violence, neither was any deceit in his mouth. Yet it pleased the Lord to bruise him; he hath put him to grief. When thou shalt make his soul an offering for sin, he shall see his seed, he shall prolong his days, and the pleasure of the Lord shall prosper in his hand. He shall see of the travail of his soul, and shall be satisfied: by his knowledge shall my righteous servant justify many; for he shall bear their iniquities. Therefore will I divide him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he hath poured out his soul unto death: and he was numbered with the transgressors; and he bare the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors. KJV

And beside all this, between us and you there is a great gulf fixed: so that they which would pass from hence to you cannot; neither can they pass to us, that would come from thence. Then he said, I pray thee therefore, father, that thou wouldest send him to my father's house for I have five brethren; that he may testify unto them, lest they also come into this place of torment.

Abraham saith unto him, They have Moses and the prophets, let them hear them.

And he said, Nay, father Abraham: but if one went unto them from the dead, they will repent.

And he said unto him, If they hear not Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded, though one rose from the dead. KJV

Feeding goats and persuading is a proven waste of time, but it does give the self righteous something to do and a way to exalt themselves and rob God of His praise and glory.

Eddie

Re: Do these scripture describe satan? - posted by Logic, on: 2008/2/27 9:34

The underlined and the blue and the **Bold** are referanced to the devil.

Rev 17:8 The beast that you saw 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.

Ref. 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 (shall ascend out of the bottomless pit).

Rev 20:10 And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever. (and go into perdition)

Isa 14:10 All they shall speak and say unto thee, Art thou also become weak as we? Are you become like unto us? (**shall wonder**)

Re: - posted by Mangan (), on: 2008/2/27 12:34

Warrior of God what's the root of your worry??

i. The New Testament is clear about Satan/ or more frequently the Devil or a numerous other names that are given to the evil one.... It is also clear that he has fallen from grace.

Jesus himself (who is God) says:

"I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven".

Another crucial point is made in Revelation 12:7-9.

"And there was a war in heaven. Michael and his angels fought against the dragon and the dragon and his angels fought back. But he was not strong enough, and they lost their place heaven.

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.

and also Revelation 20:2: "He seized the dragon, that ancient serpent who is the devil or Satan and bound him for a tho

usand years.

*Conclusion:

It is most likely that the new testament writers had those OT passages (Isaiah 14 and Ezekiel 28) in mind (which you no w doubt is describing Satan), when they wrote the examples above. When the NT was written down there was only one holy scripture - the hebrew bible which was interpreted in the light of God's Spirit.

ii. Concerning Isaiah and Ezekiel or the author/authors which jotted these mythos down: were writning under the influenc e of the Spirit of God. Contextual and political circumstances meet here with the reality of the spiritual world. In that case we can see short hints of how Lucifer became the devil.

iii. The history of Christian interpretation of these OT passages (and others aswell) is pretty much in agreement (i.e. that these are references to the fall from grace aswell as prophetic reference to Satans final destination).

iv. Concerning the Cherub: Youve mentioned: "Pharaoh the great dragon" in Ezekiel 29:3. However the correct translatio n is rather Pharaoh you great monster or even: Pharao the the crocodile lying among your streams (the context describe s the Nile). However the epithet Cherub in chap. 28 is odd since it describes a heavenly being (and not a King in strict se nse).

iv. Concerning the garden of eden I think you are quite right. OT has a lot of references to the garden in like manner as y ou have described it. However in Hezekiel 28 it is different:

The book of Wisdom (among the Catholics and Ortodox is considered canonical)which predates the NT with a couple of hundred years and so - has the oldest reference we've got that the devil is equivalent with the snake in the garden of eden(Wisdom 2:24). This means that the tradition of connectin g Satan with the garden of eden is old. That also means that Hezekiel 28:13ff in the light of the prophetic is a reference to this Satan (and at the same time to the contextual King of Tyros).

V. And finally a theological point...

a. The political and historical changes that takes place in the OT is directed and in some strange sense predestinated by God. Behind the historical curtain likewise Satan operates either in opposition to God or running God's punishing errand s (such as the Angel of Death and so on).

b. Kings like Tyros, and Pharao has in the patristic litterature always been understood as a type of the devil (the devil in disguise).

Sincerely

Magnus :-D

Re:, on: 2008/2/27 13:56

Thank you Magnus.

Pardon the Edit to add: Magnus - just to clarify the typos - the book is Ezekiel, for any new converts.

John 14:6 - Praise the LORD.

Re: - posted by rookie (), on: 2008/2/27 15:18

Isaiah 14 is describing the work of Satan who is the father of King Belshazzar. If you remember the son of Nebuchadnezzar was given this by Daniel...Mene, Mene, Tekel, Parsin. At this point God brought the Medes and Persians against King Belshazzar to destroy his kingdom. This is what Isaiah 14 is prophesying here.

In Scripture we find that there are always two kingdoms. The kingdom of God and the kingdom of Satan. Abel was a child of God and Cain was a child of Satan...

This aspect is described in Genesis 3:15, where God declares to Satan that there will be enmity between Satan and the woman and between his children and the woman's children....(between "your seed and the woman's Seed."

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In Isaiah 14 we find that the attributes of Belshazzar and Lucifer are one. The seed of Lucifer has been conformed into the image of Lucifer. Both Belshazzar and Lucifer will have the same desires and the same manifestations or fruits of their actions.

There is no dualism. It is who our father is, that determines the fruit of our lives.

Likewise those who are born of the woman begin to resemble the Seed. This is the predestined work of God in those who live by faith in Jesus Christ.

In Christ
Jeff

Re: - posted by warriorofgod, on: 2008/2/27 17:33

I find here a plethora of information concerning this topic. And it seems as though this is not an old subject. I understand some of the arguments that you all are making and I will definitely look at this more deeply. My conclusion for now, Isaiah 14 and Ezekial speak of exactly who they are supposed to speak about. If there is something prophetic, it is more than likely for the antichrist which is the embodiment of Satan. If he then being the embodiment, then more than likely he will carry some of the attributes of Satan himself. I do not see though any reference that would tie the name Lucifer to Satan himself simply because of the context.

Many of you pointed out scripture about Satan falling from heaven and also Revelation as a reference as well. These are great references that I will take into consideration as I take time to balance and find meaning behind them.

Some of you by the way you write seem concerned that debating this subject denies Satans plan or existence (at least that is what is implied). I think you have plenty about Satan without Isaiah or Ezekial as a reference. I have to point out that Satan TRANSFORMS himself as an angel of light. Why would he have to transform if nothing about himself changed? Just a thought...

If this thread continues and I have more information, I will let you guys know and perhaps we can continue with this debate. Have a good night.

Re: - posted by warriorofgod, on: 2008/2/27 18:01

I recommend this site for the supposed claim that Jesus is another copy cat religion.

That aside, he has some real good info concerning this topic. Enjoy.

<http://www.tektonics.org/gk/heyLucy.html>

Re:, on: 2008/2/27 18:21

Quote:

warriorofgod wrote:
I recommend this site for the supposed claim that Jesus is another copy cat religion.

Brother, could you explain this ?

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Re: - posted by warriorofgod, on: 2008/2/29 1:24

He reigns,

Have you ever heard of people saying that Jesus supposedly was just conjured up from other savior gods? Well this site very carefully looks at the tales and fables of some of these gods that Jesus supposedly copied and does a very good job at refuting that argument. This is a good site.