

# Satan

Satan's Original Sin (Is 14:12-15)

- Five "I will" Statements:
  - I will...ascend to heaven (v13)
  - I will...raise my throne above the stars of God (v13)
  - I will...sit enthroned on the mount of assembly (v14)
  - I will...ascend above the tops of clouds (v14)
  - I will...make myself like the Most High (v14)
- Consequences for Satan's Sin (Is 14:12-15)
  - Satan fell (v15)
  - Name changed from Lucifer (v12) to Satan (Matt 16:23)
  - Banished from heaven (v12)
- Satan's First Sin (Ezek 28:12-17)
  - Attributes
    - Intelligent (v12)
    - Beautiful (v12)
    - Powerful (v14)
    - Angel (v14,16)
    - Creature (v15)
    - Without sin (v15)
  - Nature of first sin (v17)
- Consequences of First Sin (Ezek 28:12-17)
  - Fell (v16-17)
  - Retains some access to heaven (Job 1:6)
  - Some angels fell with him (v12); one-third of the angelic host (Rev 12:4)
  - Fallen angels confirmed in wickedness (Matt 25:41)
    - This is dangerous, because a cornered lion is a dangerous lion
    - Satan knows his destiny, and it's not a good one, so he's pulling out all the stops as the end times get closer and closer, to disrupt God's eschatological program, as well as take as many people down with him as possible.
- Satan's Names and Titles
  - Lucifer (2 Cor 11:14)
  - Satan (Zech 3:1)
  - devil (Matt 4:11)
  - serpent of old (Rev 12:9)

- destroyer (Rev 9:11)
- dragon (Rev 12:9)
- evil one (1 John 5:19)
- Belial ("worthless one") (2 Cor 6:15)
- thief (John 10:10)
- ruler of this world (John 12:31; 14:30; 16:11)
- prince and power of the air (Eph 2:2)
- god of this world (2 Cor 4:4)
- Beelzebub (Luke 11:15)
- tempter (Matt 4:3)
- accuser of the brethren (Rev 12:10)
- father of lies and murderer (John 8:44)
- roaring lion and adversary (1 Peter 5:8)
- enemy (Matt 13:39)
- Names & Titles Demonstrating Satan's Post-Fall Earthly Authority
  - Prince of this world (John 12:31; 14:30; 16:11)
  - God of this age (2 Cor 4:4)
  - Prince and power of the air (Eph 2:2)
  - Who the believer wrestles with (Eph 6:12)
  - Roaring lion (1 Peter 5:8)
  - Whole world lies in his power (1 John 5:19)
- Satan's Works
  - Past
    - Lied to Adam & Eve (Gen 3:1ff)
    - Accused and afflicted Job (Job 1-2)
    - Tempted David to take a census (1 Chr 21:1)
    - Accused Joshua (Zech 3:1-3)
    - Tempted Christ (Matt 4:1-11)
    - Tested Peter (Luke 22:31-33)
    - Possessed Judas (John 13:27)
    - Hindered Paul (1 Thess 2:18)
    - Afflicted Paul (2 Cor 12:7-10)
    - Influenced Ananias and Sapphira (Acts 5:3-4,8)
  - Present
    - Snatches God's Word (Luke 8:12)
    - Rules the world (1 John 5:19)
    - Blinds the mind (2 Cor 4:4)
    - Sends false ministers (2 Cor 11:14-15)

- Sends false gospels (2 Cor 11:3-4)
- Sows unbelievers among believers (Matt 13:38-39)
- Performs miracles (2 Thess 2:9)
- Promotes immorality (Eph 2:1-3)
- Tempts God's people (1 Cor 7:5)
- Uses carnal Christians (Eph 4:26-27)
- Causes physical problems (Luke 13:11,16)
- Influences government (Dan 10:10ff)
- Lies (John 8:44)
- Deceives the whole world (Rev 12:9; 20:3)
- Future
  - Lead a one-world government (Rev 13:3-4)
  - Oppose the Second Coming (Rev 17:14)
  - Attempt to annihilate Israel (Rev 12)
  - Bound in abyss for 1000 years (Rev 20:1-3)
  - Lead a final rebellion (Rev 20:7-9)
  - Cast into the lake of fire for eternity (Rev 20:10)
- Demonic Works
  - Satan's lack of omnipresence (Job 1:7; 2:2) forces him to work through demons (Matt 12:24; 25:41; Rev 12:7; 2 Cor 12:7)
  - Promote false religion (1 Cor 10:20; 1 Tim 4:1)
  - Afflict the mind (Mark 5:3,5)
  - Afflict the body (Matt 12:22; Mark 9:22; Luke 13:11,16)
  - Hinder believer's prayers (Dan 10:12-20)
- Satan's Progressive Defeat
  - Initial eviction from heaven (Is 14:12-15; Ezek 28:12-17)
  - Eden (Gen 3:15)
  - Pre-diluvian world (1 Peter 3:19-20; Cf. Gen 6:1-4)
  - Cross (John 12:31; 16:11; Col 2:15; Heb 2:14; 1 John 3:8)
  - Midpoint of the Tribulation (Rev 12:9)
  - Beginning of the millennium (Rev 20:2-3)
  - End of the millennium (Rev 20:10)
- Our divine resources
  - The sufficiency of the armor (Eph 6:16, "all")
    - We have a powerful adversary and we are living on enemy territory, we are in a defensive posture, and the ultimate victory will not be won until Christ returns

- But it is also true that God has given us every single resource we need to overcome Satan and become all that God has called us to be as His church on planet earth
- Satanically-powered miracles in Scripture
  - Ex 7-8
  - Deut 13:1-3
  - Job 1:12-19; 2:7-8
  - 1 Sam 28?
  - Matt 7:21-23; 24:24
  - Acts 8:9; 16:16
  - Gal 1:6-9
  - 2 Thess 2:9
  - Rev 13:3,13,15; 16:13-14

See [Satanic/Demonic Miracles in Scripture](#) for additional detail on satanically-powered miracles.

- A Believer's Defense Against Satan
  - (1) God's responsibility
    - Divine restraint
      - Job 1:12; 2:6 - Satan could not touch Job without God's permission
      - Luke 22:31-32 - Satan requested to sift Peter like wheat
      - 2 Thess 2:6-7 - the Restrainer
      - 1 John 5:18 - God protects believers from Satan
    - Divine intercession - all members of the Trinity are interceding for believers
      - John 17:15 - the Father
      - Rom 8:34 - the Holy Spirit
      - Heb 7:25 - the Son
  - (2) Believer's responsibility
    - Our defensive posture (Rev 20:2-3,10; 2 Peter 2:10-11)
    - Avoid catering to the flesh (Eph 4:26-27)
    - Resist (Eph 6:13; James 4:7; 1 Peter 5:8-9)
    - Rely on the Holy Spirit (1 John 4:4)
    - Put on the full armor of God (Eph 6:10-20)