

PRETENDER TO THE THRONE

A Criminal Profile of the One Called Lucifer

Thesis: By creating a universe in which love could exist, God of necessity created genuinely free, autonomous beings capable of loving others...or not. The first created and highest ranking of these free agents was an extremely beautiful and intelligent being named Lucifer, the head of an order of rational, sentient beings called angels. It was in Lucifer's heart that evil originated and from him spread to planet Earth.

Revelation 12:3-12—3Behold, a great, fiery red dragon... 4His tail drew a third of the stars of heaven and threw them to the earth... 7And war broke out in heaven: Michael and his angels fought with the dragon; and the dragon and his angels fought, 8but they did not prevail, nor was a place found for them in heaven any longer. 9So the great dragon was cast out, that serpent of old, called the Devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world; he was cast to the earth, and his angels were cast out with him... 12Therefore rejoice, O heavens, and you who dwell in them! Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and the sea! For the devil has come down to you, having great wrath, because he knows that he has a short time.

Isaiah 14:12-20—12How you are fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! How you are cut down to the ground, you who weakened the nations! 13For you have said in your heart: "I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God; I will also sit on the mount of the congregation on the farthest sides of the north; 14I will ascend above the heights of the clouds, I will be like the Most High." 15Yet you shall be brought down to Sheol, to the lowest depths of the Pit. 16Those who see you will gaze at you, and consider you, saying: "Is this the man who made the earth tremble, who shook kingdoms, 17who made the world as a wilderness and destroyed its cities, who did not open the house of his prisoners?"... 20You have destroyed your land and slain your people.

2 Corinthians 4:4—...the god of this age.

John 12:31; 14:30; 16:11—...the ruler of this world.

Ephesians 2:2—...the prince of the power of the air, the spirit who now works in the sons of disobedience.

1 John 5:19—The whole world lies under the sway of the wicked one.

Revelation 9:11—They had as king over them, the angel of the bottomless pit, whose name in Hebrew is Abaddon, but in Greek he has the name Apollyon.

John 10:10—The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have *it* more abundantly.

1 Peter 5:8-9—8Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour. 9Resist him, steadfast in the faith.

Matthew 13:39—The enemy who sowed them is the devil.

NOTE: "Stars" symbolize angels (Revelation 1:20). The "tail"= lies (Isaiah 9:15). "Michael" means, *Who is like God?* "Satan" means *Adversary*.

NOTE: "Lucifer" means *Morning Star*.

NOTE: "Apollyon"=*Destroyer*.

Isaiah 3:9—They have brought evil upon themselves.

Galatians 6:7—For whatever a man sows, that he will also reap.

James 1:13-17—**13**Let no one say when he is tempted, “I am tempted by God;” for God cannot be tempted by evil, nor does He Himself tempt anyone. **14**But each one is tempted when he is drawn away by his own desires and enticed. **15**Then, when desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, brings forth death. **16**Do not be deceived, my beloved brethren. **17**Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow of turning.

Job 1 and 2, Summery

Job 9:24—If it is not He, who else could it be?

Job 41:1-34—... Leviathan... On earth there is nothing like him... He is king over all the children of pride.

Isaiah 27:1—In that day the LORD with His severe sword, great and strong, will punish Leviathan the fleeing serpent, Leviathan that twisted serpent.

Luke 11:21-22—**21**When a strong man, fully armed, guards his own palace, his goods are in peace. **22**But when a stronger than he comes upon him and overcomes him, he takes from him all his armor in which he trusted, and divides his spoils.

Colossians 2:15, NIV—Having disarmed the powers and authorities, He (Jesus) made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross.

1 John 3:8—For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil.

John 12:27-32—**31**Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be cast out. **32**And I, if I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all *peoples* to Myself.

Philippians 2:5-9—**5**Christ Jesus... **6**being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, **7**but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. **8**And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient to death—even death on a cross! **9**Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, **10**that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, **11**and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Ephesians 1:10—...that in the dispensation of the fullness of the times He might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven and which are on earth—in Him.

Proverbs 20:28—Mercy and truth preserve the king, and by lovingkindness he upholds his throne.

Nahum 1:9—He will make an utter end of it. Affliction will not rise up a second time.

“Behold Your God”—Isaiah 40:9

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