

Satanology Passages Assignment

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Read each group of passages and write a short answer (a paragraph or less) to each of the questions below.

Satan's origin, character and ultimate destiny:

Gen. 3:1-7

Ezekiel 28:11-19

Jn. 8:44 "You are of your father the devil, and you want to 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." – keep

Jn. 12:31 "Now judgment is upon this world; now the ruler of this world shall be cast out."

Romans 16:20 "And the God of peace will soon crush Satan under your feet. The grace of our Lord Jesus be with you."

Col. 2:15 "When He had disarmed the rulers and authorities, He made a public display of them, having triumphed over them through Him."

1 Tim. 3:6,7 "...and not a new convert, lest he become conceited and fall into the condemnation incurred by the devil."

Heb. 2:14,15 "Since then the children share in flesh and blood, He Himself likewise also partook of the same, that through death He might render powerless him who had the power of death, that is, the devil; 15 and might deliver those who through fear of death were subject to slavery all their lives."

1 John 4:4 "You are from God, little children, and have overcome them; because greater is He who is in you than he who is in the world."

1 John 5:19 "We know that we are of God, and the whole world lies in the power of the evil one."

Rev. 20:1-3 And I saw an angel coming down from heaven, having the key of the abyss and a great chain in his hand. 2 And he laid hold of the dragon, the serpent of old, who is the devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years, 3 and threw him into the abyss, and shut it and sealed it over him, so that he should not deceive the nations any longer, until the thousand years were completed; after these things he must be released for a short time."

Rev. 20:7-10 "And when the thousand years are completed, Satan will be released from his prison, 8 and will come out to deceive the nations which are in the four corners of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together for the war; the number of them is like the sand of the seashore. 9 And they came up on the broad plain of the earth and surrounded the camp of the saints and the beloved city, and fire came down from heaven and devoured them. 10 And the devil who deceived them was thrown into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are also; and they will be tormented day and night forever and ever."

How was Satan originally created?

Why did he turn evil?

What does the future hold for Satan?

How do you reconcile passages describing Satan's defeat with ones that warn about his present activity?

Spiritism and the Occult:

Lev. 20:6,27 6 "As for the person who turns to mediums and to spiritists, to play the harlot after them, I will also set My face against that person and will cut him off from among his people. 26 Thus you are to be holy to Me, for I the LORD am holy; and I have set you apart from the peoples to be Mine."

Deut. 18:9-13 "When you enter the land which the LORD your God gives you, you shall not learn to imitate the detestable things of those nations. 10 "There shall not be found among you anyone who makes his son or his daughter pass through the fire, one who uses divination, one who practices witchcraft, or one who interprets omens, or a sorcerer, 11 or one who casts a spell, or a medium, or a spiritist, or one who calls up the dead. 12 "For whoever does these things is detestable to the LORD; and because of these detestable things the LORD your God will drive them out before you. 13 "You shall be blameless before the LORD your God.

Acts 19:13-19 13 But also some of the Jewish exorcists, who went from place to place, attempted to name over those who had the evil spirits the name of the Lord Jesus, saying, "I adjure you by Jesus whom Paul preaches." 14 And seven sons of one Sceva, a Jewish chief priest, were doing this. 15 And the evil spirit answered and said to them, "I recognize Jesus, and I know about Paul, but who are you?" 16 And the man, in whom was the evil spirit, leaped on them and subdued all of them and overpowered them, so that they fled out of that house naked and wounded. 17 And this became known to all, both Jews and Greeks, who lived in Ephesus; and fear fell upon them all and the name of the Lord Jesus was being magnified. 18 Many also of those who had believed kept coming, confessing and disclosing their practices. 19 And many of those who practiced magic brought their

books together and began burning them in the sight of all; and they counted up the price of them and found it fifty thousand pieces of silver. – keep

What kinds of modern practices are condemned in these passages?

How Satan operates:

Job 1,2

Zech. 3:1-5

Mt. 13:19, 36-43 19 “When anyone hears the word of the kingdom, and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what has been sown in his heart. This is the one on whom seed was sown beside the road.” 36 Then He left the multitudes, and went into the house. And His disciples came to Him, saying, “Explain to us the parable of the tares of the field.” 37 And He answered and said, “The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man, 38 and the field is the world; and as for the good seed, these are the sons of the kingdom; and the tares are the sons of the evil one; 39 and the enemy who sowed them is the devil, and the harvest is the end of the age; and the reapers are angels. 40 “Therefore just as the tares are gathered up and burned with fire, so shall it be at the end of the age. 41 “The Son of Man will send forth His angels, and they will gather out of His kingdom all stumbling blocks, and those who commit lawlessness, 42 and will cast them into the furnace of fire; in that place there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth. 43 “Then THE RIGHTEOUS WILL SHINE FORTH AS THE SUN in the kingdom of their Father. He who has ears, let him hear.

Lk. 4:1-13

Jn. 10:10 10 “The thief comes only to steal, and kill, and destroy; I came that they might have life, and might have it abundantly.”

Jn. 13:2,27 2 “And during supper, the devil having already put into the heart of Judas Iscariot, the son of Simon, to betray Him,” 27 “And after the morsel, Satan then entered into him. Jesus therefore said to him, ‘What you do, do quickly.’”

Acts 5:3 “But Peter said, ‘Ananias, why has Satan filled your heart to lie to the Holy Spirit, and to keep back some of the price of the land?’”

2 Cor. 11:13-15 “For such men are false apostles, deceitful workers, disguising themselves as apostles of Christ. 14 And no wonder, for even Satan disguises himself as an angel of light. 15 Therefore it is not surprising if his servants also disguise themselves as servants of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their deeds.”

2 Cor. 2:10,11 But whom you forgive anything, I forgive also; for indeed what I have forgiven, if I have forgiven anything, I did it for your sakes in the presence of Christ, 11 in order that no advantage be taken of us by Satan; for we are not ignorant of his schemes.

1 Thes. 2:18 "For we wanted to come to you-- I, Paul, more than once-- and yet Satan thwarted us."

1 Thes. 3:5 "For this reason, when I could endure it no longer, I also sent to find out about your faith, for fear that the tempter might have tempted you, and our labor should be in vain."

2 Tim. 2:26 "and they may come to their senses and escape from the snare of the devil, having been held captive by him to do his will."

What goals is Satan trying to achieve?

What "schemes" does Satan use to derail Christians?

Demons:

Matt. 12:22-29 Then there was brought to Him a demon-possessed man who was blind and dumb, and He healed him, so that the dumb man spoke and saw. 23 And all the multitudes were amazed, and began to say, "This man cannot be the Son of David, can he?" 24 But when the Pharisees heard it, they said, "This man casts out demons only by Beelzebul the ruler of the demons." 25 And knowing their thoughts He said to them, "Any kingdom divided against itself is laid waste; and any city or house divided against itself shall not stand. 26 "And if Satan casts out Satan, he is divided against himself; how then shall his kingdom stand? 27 "And if I by Beelzebul cast out demons, by whom do your sons cast them out? Consequently they shall be your judges. 28 "But if I cast out demons by the Spirit of God, then the kingdom of God has come upon you. 29 "Or how can anyone enter the strong man's house and carry off his property, unless he first binds the strong man? And then he will plunder his house.

Mk. 5:1-13

Mk. 9:28,29 And when He had come into the house, His disciples began questioning Him privately, "Why could we not cast it out?" 29 And He said to them, "This kind cannot come out by anything but prayer."

What characteristics does someone exhibit who is possessed by a demon?

Can Christians today cast our demons? If so, how?

Spiritual warfare:

2 Cor. 10:3-5 “For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh, 4 for the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh, but divinely powerful for the destruction of fortresses. 5 We are destroying speculations and every lofty thing raised up against the knowledge of God, and we are taking every thought captive to the obedience of Christ...”

Eph. 4:26,27 “BE ANGRY, AND yet DO NOT SIN; do not let the sun go down on your anger, 27 and do not give the devil an opportunity.”

Eph. 6:10-18

James 4:7 “Submit therefore to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you.”

1 Peter 5:8,9 “Be of sober spirit, be on the alert. Your adversary, the devil, prowls about like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. 9 But resist him, firm in your faith, knowing that the same experiences of suffering are being accomplished by your brethren who are in the world.”

Rev. 2:10 'Do not fear what you are about to suffer. Behold, the devil is about to cast some of you into prison, that you may be tested, and you will have tribulation ten days. Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life.’”

Rev. 12:9 And the great dragon was thrown down, the serpent of old who is called the devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world; he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him. 10 And I heard a loud voice in heaven, saying, "Now the salvation, and the power, and the kingdom of our God and the authority of His Christ have come, for the accuser of our brethren has been thrown down, who accuses them before our God day and night. 11 "And they overcame him because of the blood of the Lamb and because of the word of their testimony, and they did not love their life even to death.’”

What attitudes and actions are important in waging war against Satan and his demons?

After considering all this, where are you most vulnerable to Satan’s attack in your own life?

Where is your group most vulnerable?

What practical steps can you take in your own life (include attitudes that may need to change) and in your group to combat Satan’s schemes?