THIS IS WAR Part 2: Satan & His Demons

WHERE DID SATAN COME FROM?

Isaiah 14:12-14

How you have <u>fallen from heaven</u>, O morning star, son of the dawn! You have been <u>cast down</u> to the earth, you who once laid low the nations! You said in your heart, "<u>I</u> <u>will</u> ascend to heaven; <u>I will</u> raise my throne above the stars of God; <u>I will</u> sit enthroned on the mount of assembly... <u>I will</u> ascend above the tops of the clouds; <u>I</u> <u>will</u> make myself like the Most High."

Isaiah 14:12-14

Revelation 12:7-9

And there was 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 in 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.

WHAT DO DEMONS DO?

1. DEMONS INFLUENCE THE LEADERS OF NATIONS.

But the **prince of the Persian kingdom** resisted me twenty-one days. Then Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me, because I was detained there with the king of Persia.

Daniel 10:13

2. DEMONS DESIRE TO INFLICT SUFFERING ON YOU.

"Lord, have mercy on my son," he said. "He has seizures and is <u>suffering greatly</u>. He often falls into the fire or into the water... [Jesus said], "Bring the boy here to me." Jesus rebuked the <u>demon</u>, and it came out of the boy, and he was <u>healed</u> from that moment. Matthew 17:15, 17-18

3. DEMONS SCHEME TO LURE YOU AWAY FROM GOD.

The Spirit clearly says that in later times some will <u>abandon the faith</u> and follow <u>deceiving spirits</u> and things <u>taught by demons</u>. 1 Timothy 4:1

4. DEMONS WANT TO PARALYZE YOU WITH FEAR.

For God has not given us a <u>spirit of fear</u>, but of power and of love and of a sound mind. 2 Timothy 1:6-7 NKJV

BATTLING THE DARKNESS

1. WE DON'T TREAT OUR ENEMY LIGHTLY.

But even the archangel Michael, when he was disputing with the devil about the body of Moses, did not dare to bring a slanderous accusation against him, but said, "The Lord rebuke you!" Jude 9-10

2. WE DON'T FLIRT WITH DARKNESS.

Let no one be found among you who...practices divination or sorcery, interprets omens, engages in witchcraft, 11 or casts spells, or who is a medium or spiritist or who consults the dead. Anyone who does these things is <u>detestable to the LORD</u>... Deuteronomy 18:10-12

3. WE DON'T FIGHT WITH OUR POWER BUT WITH GOD'S AUTHORITY.

(Jesus) called his twelve disciples to him and gave them <u>authority</u> to drive out <u>evil</u> <u>spirits</u> and to heal every disease and sickness. Matthew 10:1

Power = Ability Authority = Right

We don't do this in our own power - we do it with His authority

Submit yourselves, then, to God. **Resist the devil**, and he will flee from you. 8 **Come near to God** and he will come near to you... James 4:7-8

- 1. SUBMIT
- 2. **RESIST** HE WILL FLEE
- 3. COME NEAR GOD WILL COME NEAR

WE FIGHT FROM VICTORY, NOT FOR VICTORY