

# **ALL ABOUT DEMONS**

# DEMONOLOGY Episode 10 of 12

### THE THREE BATTLE FRONTS

- 1. **THE WORLD**. This primarily focuses on the system of thinking from which spring the practices (actions) of people or institutions holding the values. 1 John 2:15-17 and 5:19.
- 2. THE FLESH. This is the internal voice or tempter leading us away from Jesus Christ. We were born with this element as our leader. When we were saved this "old self" died (Romans 6:5-23). However, this old self daily tries to raise itself from the dead. For believers it is a matter of ...considering ourselves dead to sin and becoming slaves to righteousness...which results in sanctification. Galatians 5:19-21.
- 3. THE DEVIL. This is the second most powerful person in the world. As a created being, he was the assistant leader of heaven. As one who has a throne and a kingdom, he is a powerful force for manking to reckon with.

### I. ORIGINS OF DEMONS

How you have fallen from heaven, morning star, son of the dawn! You have been cast down to the earth, you who once laid low the nations! You said in your heart, 'I will ascend to the heavens; I will raise my throne above the stars of God; I will sit enthroned on the mount of assembly, on the utmost heights of Mount Zaphon. I will ascend above the tops of the clouds; I will make myself like the Most High.' But you are brought down to the realm of the dead, to the depths of the pit. Isaiah 14:12-15

#### II. NATURE OF DEMONS

Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. 1 Peter 5:8

For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. Ephesians 6:12

### III. SATAN'S STRATEGIES

- 1. TO ACT INDEPENDENTLY OF GOD (GEN 3)
- 2. TO EXALT ONESELF PRIDE (1 TIM 3:6)
- 3. TO YIELD TO TEMPTATION (2 TIM 2:26)
- 4. To possess false guilt (Rev 12:10)
- 5. TO NOT FORGIVE OTHERS (2 COR 2:10-11)
- 6. To LIE (JOHN 8:44 AND ACTS 5:3)
- 7. To KILL (JOHN 8:44)
  - No where in Scripture do we find Satan aligning himself with mankind
  - SATAN USES MANKIND AS ONE OF HIS CHIEF WEAPONS: PEOPLE KILLING MEN.

THE ULTIMATE GOAL OF SATAN IS TO ROB GOD OF HIS GLORY THROUGH:

- 1. OPPRESSION: ATTACKS FROM THE OUTSIDE
- 2. **OBSESSION:** Unusally high intensity of attacks
- 3. POSSESSION: CONTROL FROM THE INSIDE

# IV. BIBLICAL PERSPECTIVE ON DEALING WITH DEMONS

When evening came, many who were demon-possessed were brought to him, and he drove out the spirits with a word and healed all the sick. Matthew 8:16

Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. James 4:7

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### V. BELIEVERS ATTITUDE TOWARD SATAN

- 1. NEVER UNDERESTIMATE HIM OR HIS POWER. (JUDE 8, 9)
- 2. BE CAREFUL NOT TO OVERESTIMATE HIS POWER. HE IS LIMITED. (JOB 1:21)
- 3. BE AWARE THAT GOD USES SATAN FOR BENEFICIAL PURPOSES IN THE LIFE OF A CHRISTIAN. GOD IS SOVEREIGN ENOUGH TO USE SATAN.
- 4. LEARN THE LESSON GOD IS TEACHING. (2 COR. 12:7)
- 5. Understand our demeanor and spiritual reality:
  Opponents must be gently instructed, in the hope that God will grant them repentance leading them to a knowledge of the truth, and that they will come to their senses and escape from the trap of the devil, who has taken them captive to do his will. 2 Timothy 2:25-26