

### **SUPERNATURAL—3**

#### **SATAN AND HIS DEMONS**

*When Jesus got out of the boat, a man with an evil spirit came from the tombs to meet him. This man lived in the tombs, and no one could bind him any more, not even with a chain. For he had often been chained hand and foot, but he tore the chains apart and broke the irons on his feet. No one was strong enough to subdue him. Night and day among the tombs and in the hills he would cry out and cut himself with stones. When he saw Jesus from a distance, he ran and fell on his knees in front of him. He shouted at the top of his voice, "What do you want with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? Swear to God that you won't torture me!" For Jesus had said to him, "Come out of this man, you evil spirit!" Mark 5:2-8*

#### **WHERE DID SATAN COME FROM?**

*How you have fallen from heaven, O 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 heaven; I will raise my throne above the stars of God; I will sit enthroned on the mount of assembly... I will ascend above the tops of the clouds; I will make myself like the Most High." Isaiah 14:12-14*

*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. Revelation 12:7-9*

**See also Ezek 28:12-17**

#### **WHAT DO DEMONS DO?**

- **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*

- **DEMONS DESIRE TO INFLICT SUFFERING ON YOU.**

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

- **DEMONS SCHEME TO LURE YOU AWAY FROM GOD.**

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

- **DEMONS WANT TO PARALYZE YOU WITH FEAR.**

*For God has not given us a spirit of fear, 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 detestable to the LORD... 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 authority to drive out evil spirits and to heal every disease and sickness. Matthew 10:1*

*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*