



Supernatural Series

Part 1

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Proverbs 18:13

Today, it is my desire to endeavor, through this new series, into some very deep and yet extremely important topics regarding the Super Natural. In this present hour there seems to be this extreme infatuation with the Super Natural and it can be found in everything from movies, to sitcoms, magazines, books, and even on the Disney Channel.

But in light of all of this, how does the Christian go about finding truth and solid biblical doctrine regarding the Super Natural. The Super Natural is everywhere and it is especially found within the pages of our Bibles. Everything about the Bible is supernatural; from the creation story, to the history of a nation through its victories and vices, all the way through the story of the Messiah and His subsequent redemption offered to mankind through the Cross. The Bible is Supernatural and it is the Guide Book to the Supernatural.

Before we progress forward into our time of study, I want to be abundantly clear with one specific point. You do not have to study the darkness to know how powerful the light is; you do not have to avail yourself to matters of influence outside of the Christian faith. I want to warn all of you to be careful with how and what you study because what you let influence you will eventually control you. This is the reason why the Lord was so staunch on this principle of separation in both the Old and New Testaments; we must guard our lives against the influences of darkness.

With that said, it is my goal to discuss four specific points in this series which will give us a fundamental foundation on which to stand doctrinally as well as practically. Today I will discuss the Fall of Creation, the Fall of Man, the Pre-Adamic Existence and the Fall of Lucifer. This is important because all four are tethered together and provides us context for the following sermons to be taught on the forthcoming Sundays.

And it is the Biblical text that lends to us insight into the fall of both creation and man but it also gives us insight into a prior existence before Adam and Eve; we will discuss this point a little later on.

Next Sunday, I will discuss the Genesis 6 Conspiracy so I would encourage you to read from Genesis 3 to Genesis 10 by next Sunday. The following Sunday I will address Fallen Angels and Demons which will include a discussion on witchcraft and sorcery from a Biblical perspective.

And on the Last Sunday of the month of October, October 31 (Halloween); we will discuss a very important passage of Scripture regarding the Days of Noah and the Days of Lot in light of Bible Prophecy.

My goal behind this series is twofold: I want to seek to answer some complicated questions that I have about the Bible as well as some of you may have and secondly, I want to leave you with more questions than answers to push you all to study the Word. I have found in my personal time of study in preparation for this message that with every answer I find, I am left with more questions on the backside of the answers I have found.

So let's now get our Bibles and dive into our time of study today. Turn with me to the Book of Genesis 1, we will begin reading in verse 1 through verse 2, "In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters."

May the Lord bless the Reading and the Hearing of His Word, Amen. You may be seated...

In Genesis chapter 1, we are introduced to the Genesis of Genesis. This chapter and verses denote the beginning of the creation story but all is not what it seems in this passage of Text. In Genesis 1:1, we are introduced to the Original Creation of the Earth.

The Original Creation of the Earth - Reference the Graphic

We are introduced to the Original Earth in Genesis 1:1, "In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth." Verse 1 records the creation of the original earth and heavens, notice the pluralization of the "heavens", but something happened between verse 1 and verse 2. And I am going to show you why I have made that statement from the Scriptures themselves.

Genesis 1:2 - We are introduced to The Chaotic Earth - Reference the Graphic Genesis 1:2, "The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters." Verse 2 records a chaotic earth that was without form and void. Now I want us to take a few minutes and do a word study in this passage of Scripture. There are three words I want to drill down on I verse 2: "was" "without form" and "Void"

The Word, in the Hebrew, for "was" is the Strong's Concordance #1961, is the word "hayah" pronounced as (haw-yaw) and literally interprets in the Hebrew to mean, "to fall out, to come to pass, become, be". Hence the Hebrew grammatical structure of the sentence reads as follows, "The Earth became without form and void" or "It came to pass that the Earth became or was without form and void".

This one word changes the entire landscape of this sentence because the earth was not originally created formless and void; it became that way. But let's look at the next word.

The word, in the Hebrew, for "without Form" or "formless" is the Strong's Concordance #8414 which is "tohu" which interprets to mean formlessness, confusion, unreality, or emptiness. The NASB translation notes it as to mean chaos, desolation, emptiness, waste place, and confusion.

We know according to 1 Corinthians 14:33 that God is not the author of confusion thus it would lend itself to us to understand that God's original creation of the earth was impacted by something that happened which caused the earth to become formless and void.

The word here, in the Hebrew, for "Void" is the Strong's Concordance #922 which is "wabohu" which interprets to mean: emptiness or void. The bottom line is that God never creates anything incomplete or broken at its genesis. Therefore, it would seem to reason that something happened between verse 1 and verse 2.

Case in point, Verse 1 mentions God creating the Heavens and the Earth but verse 2 only mentions the Earth being formless and void. How is it that both are created at the same time but one is in order and the other is not? One is in order and the other one is chaotic?

Then we read on to Genesis 1:3-5 and Genesis 2:3 which introduces the restoration of the Earth - Reference the Graphic

Genesis 1:3-5, "And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. ⁴And God saw that the light was good. And God separated the light from the darkness. ⁵God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day."

Genesis 2:3 - ³So God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it God rested from all his work that he had done in creation.

Thus the Restored Earth was celebrated with the Sabbath! The Restored Earth was accomplished in a literal 7 day period. But the question must be asked, "what happened to the original earth that required God to restore it?" Reference the Graphic We are going to come back to this question later.

In light of the fall of Creation noted in Genesis 1:1-2 and its subsequent recreation leading up the creation of Adam, we know, according to the Biblical narrative, that Adam and Even fall into sin by eating from the tree of the knowledge of Good and Evil. Genesis 3

The warning of God to Adam was that in the day that they eat from this tree that they will surely die; this death was a spiritual death and not a physical death at the moment of partaking of this tree. And it is from this fall that humanity's moral fiber and standard of living began to spiral out of control leading up the Flood of Noah and subsequent destruction of humanity and Nephilim alike.

But what about this Pre-Adamic existence that I made reference to earlier? How can I biblically prove this statement? It is at this point regarding the creation of Adam and Eve that I want to focus on a particularly interesting passage of Scripture found in Genesis 1:27-28, I will quote from the King James Version for this passage to clarify my point.

Genesis 1:27-28, ²⁷ So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them. ²⁸ And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish

of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth."

The word in Hebrew used here in Genesis 1:27 for replenish is the Hebrew Word, "Mala" Strong's Hebrew 4390 which means, "To be full, to fill" What is all the more interesting about this Hebrew Word is that it is the same word used in Genesis 9:1, "And God blessed Noah and his sons, and said unto them, be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth."

God gives the exact same instruction to Adam and Eve as He gave to Noah and his three sons; <u>replenish</u>. And He used the same word and phrase to do so. We obviously have the context of "replenishing" based upon the Flood of Noah and the subsequent destruction of humanity as well as the Nephilim noted in Genesis 6; this matter we will discuss more next Sunday. However the point remains the same, if God told Noah to Replenish the Earth after the Flood then why did God tell Adam to Replenish the Earth if nothing had existed in the Earth before Adam's creation?

According to Merriam-Webster Dictionary, the word "replenish" is defined as follows: to fill or build up again, to fill with persons or animals. (https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/replenish)

So if God is telling Adam to replenish then what happened before Adam? Why did God tell Adam to replenish the earth if there had not been an existence of beings on the earth before Adam and Eve? Why did the earth become chaotic without form and void? I believe that some of the answers to that question can be discovered in Ezekiel chapter 28, beginning at verse 11.

Ezekiel 28:11-19-11 Moreover, the word of the Lord came to me: 12 "Son of man, raise a lamentation over the king of Tyre, and say to him, Thus says the Lord God: "You were the signet of perfection, [a] full of wisdom and perfect in beauty. 18 You were in Eden, the garden of God; (When we are introduced to Lucifer in the Garden of Eden while conversing with Eve, Lucifer is in a post-fallen state but this passage denotes a pre-fallen state and he was in the Garden of Eden, the Garden of God) every precious stone was your covering, sardius, topaz, and diamond, beryl, onyx, and jasper, sapphire, emerald, and carbuncle; and crafted in gold were your settings and your engravings. (9 Total Stones / 9 of the 12 stones of the high priest noted in Exodus recorded in Exodus 28:17-21 and Exodus 39:10-14) On the day that you were created they were prepared. 4 You were an anointed guardian cherub (authority over something to protect and guard; i.e. the earth).

I placed you; you were on the holy mountain of God (The Holy Mountain of God is the temple mount in Jerusalem); in the midst of the stones of fire you walked. 15 You were blameless in your ways from the day you were created, till unrighteousness was found in you. 16 In the abundance of your trade (the word here for "Trade" in Hebrew is Rekullah, Strong's Hebrew 7404, which means merchandise, traffic, or trade. You don't merchandise something for trade if there is no one else for you to exchange said merchandise with; i.e. pre-adamic existence) you were filled with violence in your midst, and you sinned; so I cast you as a profane thing from the mountain of God, and I destroyed you, O guardian cherub, from the midst of the stones of fire. 17 Your heart was proud because of your beauty; you corrupted your wisdom for the sake of your splendor. I cast you to the ground; I exposed you before kings, to feast their eyes on you. 18 By the multitude of your iniquities, in the unrighteousness of your trade (this word here for trade is the same word as noted in verse 16; merchandise, traffic or trade = Rekullah) you profaned your sanctuaries (Could this be a point parallel to provide context to why Jesus was so mad at the money changers that He began to flip tables; they had corrupted the sanctuary of the Lord for profit and trade just as Lucifer had as noted in this passage); so I brought fire out

from your midst; it consumed you, and I turned you to ashes on the earth (Where? ON THE EARTH) in the sight of all who saw you. (who was there to see this happen if this happened before Adam was created?) ¹⁹All who know you among the peoples are appalled at you; you have come to a dreadful end and shall be no more forever." (Again, I ask the question, what people were there to be appalled?)

It is my firm belief that this passage provides for us great insight and a deeper understanding to what happened in the gap of time noted in Genesis 1:1 and Genesis 1:2. It was Lucifer's rise to power and his subsequent fall that caused the Earth to become formless and void and for darkness to fall upon the face of the deep.

I want you to turn with me in your Bibles to Isaiah 14.

Isaiah 14:12-20 - "How you are fallen from heaven, O Day Star (the word noted here for Day Star is He-lel' which defined means Lucifer being defined means "Light Bearer" or "Shining One". With this in mind, could this be the reason why God spoke "let there be light" and created the sun, moon and stars later in the creation story because Lucifer had been the Light of the World in the Earth as the Light Bearer

or Shining One who illuminated the earth and it was after the destruction that came at Lucifer's rebellion which could explain why darkness fell upon the face of the deep in Genesis 1:2? The illumination of the earth was extinguished because Sin destroyed it) "How you are fallen from heaven, O Day Star son of the Dawn! How you are cut down to the ground, you who laid the nations low! 18 You said in your heart, 'I will ascend to heaven (Lucifer was not established as an authority in heaven. Furthermore, why is he wanting to ascend to heaven if he were already in Heaven? He was not in Heaven, He was in the Earth) 'I will ascend to heaven; above the stars of God I will set my throne on high; I will sit on the mount of assembly in the far reaches of the north; 14 I will ascend above the heights of the clouds (clouds are caused by atmospheric conditions which again reiterates the fact that Lucifer was in the Earth); I will make myself like the Most High.' 15 But you are brought down to Sheol, to the far reaches of the pit. (This is a future event; to be brought to the far reaches of the pit. The Devil is not currently bound in Hell) ¹⁶Those who see you will stare at you and ponder over you: 'Is this the man who made the earth tremble, who shook kingdoms, 17 who made the world like a desert and overthrew its cities, who did not let his prisoners go home?' (Notice it was Lucifer's actions that made the world like a

dessert, his actions destroyed it. There were cities in the earth as well so who build them? And lastly, if he has prisoners then who or what are they and where did they come from?) ¹⁸ All the kings of the nations lie in glory, each in his own tomb; ¹⁹ but you are cast out, away from your grave, like a loathed branch, clothed with the slain, those pierced by the sword, who go down to the stones of the pit, like a dead body trampled underfoot. ²⁰ You will not be joined with them in burial, because you have destroyed your land (Whose land?), you have slain your people (whose people? Who or What were they?)."

It is because of the insight provided in Ezekiel and Isaiah that we understand why Lucifer fell from his place of authority. And it was at his fall that he became known as Ha-Satan or Satan, which directly interprets to mean, "The Accuser or The Adversary". And it was Jesus that gave us insight into this event that took place. Satan was Deposed or rather Ousted from his place of authority over the earth and cast down Reference the Graphic

Jesus gave us insight into this happening in the Gospel of Saint John 12:30-32, "³⁰ Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not mine. ³¹ Now is the judgment of this world; now will the ruler of this world be cast out. ³² And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself."

The Gospel of Saint John 14:30-31, "I will no longer talk much with you, for the ruler of this world is coming. (Again, the Devil is not currently bound in Hell; he is the ruler of this fallen world) He has no claim on me, but I do as the Father has commanded me, so that the world may know that I love the Father. Rise, let us go from here."

The Gospel of Saint Luke 10:17-19 – "17The seventy-two returned with joy, saying, "Lord, even the demons are subject to us in your name!" 18 And he said to them, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. 19 Behold, I have given you authority to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall hurt you."

Isn't it interesting that Jesus reveals this insight about Satan's fall like lightning to His disciples after they return rejoicing that they had power over the demonic darkness around them? Its as if He is saying, "I've seen him defeated before and I will see him defeated again."

The Apostle Paul noted in Ephesians 2:2-3 – "in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience— among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind."

The Apostle Paul also noted in 2 Corinthians 4:3-4 the following, "And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. ⁴In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God."

As I prepare to close our time together, let me talk about the Light of the Gospel for a minute. Do you remember when I noted earlier about Lucifer's name? The word used for Day Star in Isaiah 14 is He-lel' which defined means Lucifer being defined means "Light Bearer" or "Shining One". Could Lucifer's fall be the reason why God spoke "let there be light" and created the sun, moon and stars later in the creation story because Lucifer had been the Light of the World in the Earth as the Light Bearer or Shining One who illuminated the earth and it was after the destruction that came at Lucifer's rebellion which could explain why darkness fell upon the face of the deep in Genesis 1:2?

The illumination of the earth was extinguished because Sin destroyed it. But there was another illumination that was coming and He would be the true Light of the World. I want to remind you of the Words of Christ found in the Gospel of Saint John 8:12, "Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

May I suggest that when Jesus spoke these words that these words had historical implications because it was a warning to the enemy of humanity that the true light had come and corruption would not extinguish this light; He, Jesus was the tried and true light of the World

and unlike Lucifer, corruption nor sin would ever be found in him because Jesus is the Lamb of God slain before the Foundations of the World. When God said "Let There Be Light" God the Father used the Word of God, Jesus, to manifest light into the darkness that sin had created and He can illuminate the darkness of your life today if you would allow Him to do so. Jesus is the original and true light of the World!