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## The Evil One's Time is Short

Rev 12:12 — I don't think the evil one is at this realization yet. There might be something in him that still thinks he can rule the universe. The time is coming when he will know his time is short. Rev 12:12 — "Those who dwell in heaven rejoice." That would be the best place to be at that time, but there are going to be a lot of people here on earth. He comes to destroy the Male Child. He sees the handwriting on the wall, so he does everything he can.

Rev 17:6 — The church will again marry the state. Isa 23:17 — To "commit fornication" is a metaphor for forming an economic alliance with the governments of the world, regardless of ethics, but just for the money or the security. This is what the church is going to do. Rev 17:6 — "I saw the woman drunk with the blood of the saints." Is this talking about the second century or third century? No, it's talking about the last century, the last years of this age, when the woman and the state come together again. Rev 17:3 says a woman sits on the back of the beast, which is a metaphor for the state. That is why they are going to kill us, murder us, do everything under the sun to us before the Male Child is sent out.

The prince of the world has only a short time left. He is the prince of the power of the air (Eph 2:2) who rules over the earth. The whole world lies in his power (1 Jn 5:19). Our Father made the earth, or the world, in the beginning. He loved the world and the inhabitants of the world. But now it is all distorted, and its nature is changed to the n<sup>th</sup> degree.

Rev 12:12 says his time is short. He knows that, so he comes to wreak havoc on the earth. He knows that because of the saints, the Male Child. It is because of us that he actually comes to the conclusion or realization that his time is short. It is because the new Israel hasn't given birth to wind, but is about to give birth to the Male Child, so he stands condemned.

The new Israel is not going to give birth to wind. In Acts 3:21 it says heaven receives Him or holds Him until the time comes. Here it is almost time. Our Master is at the right hand of the Father, and He's waiting until all His enemies are made a footstool for His feet. Satan has his last attempt. Obviously, he knows who Dan 2:44 is, that Stone Kingdom. It is almost time for our Master to return. Heaven will release our Master at the right time to come back just as He went (Acts 1:11).

Rev 20:1-3 — Satan will be chained by the angel who comes out of heaven. He binds him, and Satan cannot come out of the abyss for a thousand years. Even in the millennium, people will have a desire for something, but that desire won't be mixed with the evil one's temptation. Eve must have had a desire to know more about good and evil, and being like God, and what that tree was like, and what the fruit was like. Eve had some desire, or she couldn't have been tempted (Jms 1:14-15). It's according to our desire that we're enticed.

I don't know how many times she went and looked at that tree. She hadn't sinned yet, but she had a desire that Satan knew about. She was wondering about the fruit that would make her more like God in the proper time. Adam and Eve were on probation at that time. Our Father had to test them, just as you test anything you make. They don't even manufacture a car without testing it.

We have to come to the end of any desire that is contrary to our Father's purpose. Then the evil one won't have any more to do with us, because there are no inroads into our life and no way he can lead us astray. Jms 1:14 says it's according to our desire. It didn't say that desire was sin. But the danger of sinning is according to that little bit of an inclination for something that we don't need.

Every man is tempted when he is drawn away by his own desire. After desire is conceived, it gives birth to sin. Something happened to Eve. A conception took place. It was fornication, receiving that seed that gave birth to sin, and sin brought forth death.

**Chets Barur** — When you first think a thought, it may not necessarily be evil, but if you dwell on it or entertain it, it may become sin. Your mind is aimless if you don't take your thoughts captive and set your mind on the Spirit.

Isa 26:3 — "He will keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on Him."

Even in the millennium when Satan is bound, there will be people who die young — at a hundred years of age — because they didn't care enough to go to Jerusalem to see our Master (Zec 14:16-17). There will be no need for them to live any longer. They don't need to keep on living in the millennium if they don't want to see our Master. A lot of people will go, and they don't die, but live to the very end of the millennium, and then they will come against our Master at the end. There will be as many as the sands of the seashore when Satan comes out to tempt the nations again. Rev 20:3 — When Satan is let out again, he tempts them and leads many astray, even of those who went up to the feast every year.

Pr 21:27 — "The sacrifice of the wicked is an abomination; how much more when he brings it with evil intent." It is an abomination for us to come to the minchah in pretense. What does wicked mean? They are the foolish virgins.

How many people have committed an abomination by coming to the minchah in pretense, or by going to the breaking of bread without confessing their sins, or without making amends with the brother or sister they have a little problem with? That's the sacrifice of the wicked. It's talking about us in Dan 12:10. We can be one or the other, according to what we choose to be. It is speaking of foolish virgins, not the wicked of the world. In Dan 12:3, the wise shall rule and reign. The wise will understand when the others won't understand.

So the time will come when the evil one will know his time is short. *Short* means a year or two left.

**Jeremiah** — In order to put all our Master's enemies under His feet, we have to be delivered from evil. In order to come and make a pleasing sacrifice, we have to be delivered from evil. We can't outsmart the evil one.

We have to overcome even inadvertence, which could hinder us from saving our brother's soul from the evil one. Sometimes, I'll think about something I ought to pass on, but then I forget. Then I am not there to have the word that my brother needs. We have to overcome everything that keeps our mind from being stayed on Him, or we will go here and there but bring forth wind.

If we're that way, we're like the man in Rev 3:3 — "You don't know the time it will come upon you." Pray, "Father, do not lead me into temptation," meaning, "Don't let my mind not be stayed on You. Don't let me be one that You have to allow the evil one to do something devastating to in order to wake me up."

It's not as if our Father would deliver us over to evil, unless we are claiming to be spiritual people but we're not praying to be delivered from the evil one, and our minds are not stayed upon Him. Inadvertence will come upon us. We'll do something erratic on the freeway, maybe, swerving around people. It says the righteous make haste, right?

No! The righteous *don't* make haste! We are deliberate, but not reckless.

We have to be circumspect. If we are not praying to be delivered from evil, we'll be corrected and disciplined. Our Father will show us where we're at. "Wake up, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Messiah will shine upon you." We can become inadvertent. Inadvertent people cannot enter the Kingdom, because they will continue being inadvertent in the Kingdom, because their souls never learned *not* to be inadvertent, because they never grew up into the Head in every aspect of their personality.

**Shelemah** — If our mind is stayed on our Father, our desires will be His desires, and we won't be tempted.

The wise of Dan 12:10 cry out for wisdom. If we don't do that, we are wicked. The term *wicked* for us means not calling on Him to be delivered from the evil one. We think we're all set. We think, "I'm fine. I can do it in my own flesh." You don't say that, but that's what your actions or inactions are saying. Hardly anyone says the words, "There is no God," but many act as if there were no God.

**Mevaser** — Setting your mind on Him is setting your mind on what His mind is set on. His highest thought is us. His mind is set on us. So much of our inadvertence has to do with not thinking about others, but just being in our own little bubble.

It expresses itself in small things, too. I used to work for a company where you could not even back up in their parking lot unless you blew your horn and looked back. They gave us the statistics of how many people run over their own children, inadvertently. They need to go to the store, they hop in their car, back up, and their baby is in the driveway. It happens so many times. Ten people right now are doing it. All over the United States, children are being run over by their parents. You inadvertently jump in the car and speed through your own yard, not thinking of others, not thinking of your own precious child. That's why we said we have to have our parking lots away from the houses, so our children will have a safe place to not worry about cars backing up. We've talked about this for 30 years.

**Gidon** — The fruit of being delivered from evil is peace. These are perilous times, and I know when I am not being delivered from evil, I am likely to do something erratic. I am thankful that even though all this chaos is going on on the earth, we can have peace.

We have to maintain our peace. Jeremiah came to me and wanted to know why it was so hard to maintain his peace. He didn't know whether he was a spiritual man or not. I said, "You must be a spiritual man, or you wouldn't be opposed." We know how to maintain that peace even through opposition. We just have to keep our helmet on.