

## When Satan Came on the Scene

Who tempted Lucifer? He had pride; where did it come from? Adam and Eve were very “good” (Gen 1:31) until Satan came on the scene, and since Satan is on the scene, all have sinned even though they *knew* the right thing to do (Rom 3:23; Jms 4:17 — the definition of sin; 6:23; Lk 16:28). Gen 2:17 — This was the knowledge of the truth that Adam knew before Satan came on the scene, but did Adam tell Eve? So why did Adam let her go to that tree? Adam seems to have sinned before she did!

Adam could have sinned, since he knew Gen 2:17 and did not rule over his wife. Maybe he did not know what Gen 2:9,17 meant, if God did not explain it then. To “die” in Gen 2:17 was not even a concept before they sinned, and then unless God explained what death was, they didn’t or at least Eve didn’t know it or even believe it.

If God *did* tell Adam to rule over his wife, then Adam sinned by not obeying Him. But he should have known it anyway, if he was like God. But what did Adam and Eve know about Gen 3:22, the knowledge of good and evil, before they ate of that tree? Did Adam know it was evil *not* to rule his wife, to let her go to that tree. Did he go with her?

Evidently, according to Gen 3:1-3, Eve knew Gen 2:17, since Adam had instructed or told her, but he still allowed her to go to that tree. Since her desire was to go to it, as Jms 1:14-15 teaches us, she was enticed and the desire was conceived in her soul and gave birth to sin, and it brought forth death. Whatever *death* meant to her, she believed Satan instead of Adam, her husband, who had instructed her by the word of God.

So if Eve was created “good,” was she fallen before she ate? Or if she had not eaten, would she then still have to resist temptation all her life, as well as Adam and all their offspring? And whenever one of their offspring did sin, then he would die and all his offspring afterwards, but not the offspring born before he sinned, or that offspring’s offspring, but only those born of the offspring who sinned. But as it was, the first man and woman sinned before they had any offspring.

Adam and Eve were actually no better off than any one of us before Satan came on the scene, in that they were able to be led astray through their desires. And now since Satan is on the scene we all also sin and keep on sinning as Adam and Eve and all their offspring since (Rom 3:23; Heb 9:27; Rom 6:23). We have our bouts with Satan every day, as Eve did that day, and Adam also, though for him it was not really a bout. But Adam may have sinned before Eve in letting her eat of that forbidden fruit or not ruling over her, since he knew it before she was made, and she knew afterwards. Remember Jms 4:17. But her sin was not a premeditated sin as Adam's was,<sup>1</sup> in direct rebellion, unless by her desire she went against God's word and her husband's authority and rulership.

Until Adam ate of the fruit he was not deceived (1 Tim 2:14) as Eve was, but her sin could have been rebellion against her husband's word, according to Gen 3:1-3. But Adam, although he instructed her, did not follow through to rule over her desire (Gen 3:16) as Cain (Gen 4:7; Jms 1:14-15; Gen 4:7). Was her desire for her husband good or evil? Before she even knew good from evil, was she innocent to go against Gen 2:17 and 3:1-3?

So does a woman need a husband? Does a child need a parent? Do we need a father (Heb 12:7-9)? Do we need shepherds? Do you consider yourself a bastard since your progenitor did not love you as Pr 13:24 commands? How many bastards are being born today? How many so-called fathers are going to "hell" with their unloved children?

God is a ruler. He wants to make rulers out of us, and as many as possible (Rev 22:5). No bastards will be rulers, unless they are redeemed. The nations in the Eighth Day are all made up of those who disciplined their children and children who were disciplined. They show the work of the law in their hearts (Rom 2:14-16).

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<sup>1</sup> Adam considered the consequences before he ate, so in that way his sin was premeditated, thought out as to its effect and resulting condemnation (1 Tim 2:14; Gen 2:17). His love for his wife was such as to go into death with her, even as Yahshua went into death to redeem us.

Heb 12:7 is the question. Heb 12:8,9,10,11 is the answer.

Social Services employees are people who need to read and understand who they are. But still they *can* be redeemed, since we have witnesses in our own midst of former social workers. So who are Satan's servants in the governmental agencies of this world today? They want to make bastards out of us all, like them, so as to have no rulers but them over this world order — tyranny (1 Jn 5:19).

So before the so-called Fall of Man, what was in man for Eve to believe Satan and not her Creator, as spoken through her husband, and for Adam to obey his wife (Gen 3:6-7)?

Before they ate the forbidden fruit they did not even know they were naked, so was it a good thing to know that, or to not know? Were they in sin by being naked, since God made them that way and didn't tell them that they were naked? Was it wrong for a husband and wife to be naked, and so God clothed them since now they had the knowledge of good and evil? (Gen 3:10-13)

But now both the man and the woman would shift the blame (Gen 3:12-13). The man shifted the blame to the woman, and the woman to Satan, as if she was deceived and couldn't help it (Gen 3:13; 2 Cor 11:3; 1 Tim 2:14).

Why was Eve over there in the first place? 2 Cor 11:3 — "As the serpent deceived Eve..." The serpent could not have deceived Eve if she had not gone up to the tree.

Zerubbabel — We get close to the boundary through our desire, an inner working that causes you to drift over to what you perceive will fulfill it, even maybe deceiving yourself that you won't go all the way.

Mevaser — She knew she was close to the boundary, since she said, "We're not even supposed to touch it" (Gen 3:3), which is more than what God said in Gen 2:17. Obviously, there was already something working in her.

It was her *own* desire (Jms 1:14-15), not of Satan — a desire against the word of God, with a certain desire to hear what they say, which went against the anointing. 1 Jn 2:19 is the consequence (2 Cor 11:2; Heb 10:37-39). Where did the desire come from?

Or where does the desire in us come from — the inner desire (as was in Eve) responding to outward enticement (2 Cor 11:4,13-15)? So this is how the first church was also deceived, according to Paul — receiving a person from the outside, or from the inside (Acts 20:28-30; 1 Jn 2:27).

In Eve sin was spawned.<sup>2</sup> No one then can blame Satan or anyone else for what his own inner desire is (1 Jn 5:18; Mt 6:13), but both Eve and Adam shifted the blame. Satan is the external source of temptation, but no one can blame him for their wrong desire. Was Eve already fallen in nature before Satan came on the scene? How are we any different than how God created Adam and Eve, since already they had things in them that could be drawn into sin, and we have things in us that can draw us into sin.

Mevaser — There was Adam and Eve, who were put in the Garden to rule, and they didn't know *how* to rule. They needed to depend on their communion and cry out. Maybe they needed the possibility of evil; maybe everything we've gone through was necessary for Man to be fit to rule.

It is all part of a Creation — still going on in a sense — creating a man that will rule over all the galaxies of the universe. The ruling class is the nations of the eternal age, but still the nations will need us to “walk with them” just as Adam and Eve needed our Father. Did He walk with them only in the cool of the day? What happened? Why weren't they walking with God?

So are men fallen creatures who are going to the Lake of Fire because of Adam's and Eve's sin? Was Adam any better than us? Adam and Eve were created in the image of Elohim, but still they had a leaning toward what wasn't good. They didn't inherit iniquities, but they had desires. Man has a desire for food so that he won't starve. He has a desire for sex so that he won't become extinct. But those desires can become perverted and through them man is vulnerable to be led astray.

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<sup>2</sup> *Spawn* — to produce or generate; give rise to; induce.

God can't be tempted by evil, so was Jesus God? He was tempted. God doesn't tempt anyone (Jms 1:13-16). The sperm of the evil one hit the egg of Eve's desire, and sin was conceived, and it brought forth death. Jms 1:16 — "Do not be deceived." Some desires are good, and some desires are bad. Desire is not necessarily sin, but you have to rule over it.

Mevaser — You have to discern when the enticement is coming. When the desire meets the enticement, then that's when sin is conceived.

Gamaliel — What man does of his own free will is the dividing line for whether he will be worthy of the nations (or us of the Holy City). Without free will, life is purposeless. Albert Einstein believed that everything was predetermined, and that man has no free will. Evidently, he saw no purpose for the sufferings man goes through, but suffering is essential to making us rulers.

Einstein was brilliant, cracking the secret toward making the atomic bomb that killed thousands of people; but if he hadn't, we wouldn't be sitting here talking. But it doesn't justify his own evil. They say Einstein was a womanizer.

You can see how we can be drawn away by our desire. Not too long ago, someone said, "As soon as my wife fell asleep, I went into my office with my laptop, and when I closed the door I knew I was going to look at pornography, and I went ahead and did it."

At the end of the 1000-year reign, when Satan is released, he tempts men according to their desire. Rev 20:6 — Put yourself in their place: for almost 1000 years, Satan hasn't tempted them, and then he is released. Of course, we are going to be teaching them what is spoken in prophecy, and even tell them how Satan tempted us in this age. Didn't our Father warn Adam, and Adam warned his wife, and his wife ate anyway? Or did Adam not tell her? Adam would have sinned already if he hadn't told her (Jms 4:17).

Rev 20:7-10 — Satan is released and tempts everyone, and hoards of people, like the sand of the seashore, join him and rise to wage war against us. That is going to happen. There is nothing we can do about it, though we plead and plead and plead with

them. It seems as if Satan will be released for the last 50 years — a short period of time — to deceive, tempt, and lead them astray.

Zerubbabel — The rebellion would have to develop over a period of time, during those 50 years. It must create an underground. They didn't all just snap, and all of a sudden put on their battle clothes.

Shoer — I can just see it: as that age draws to an end, and they've been listening to the Holy teaching them, then all of a sudden, the evil one comes to them, and they start having thoughts they've never known before.

When they have those thoughts, the wise will run to us, and the foolish will receive the accusation.

The scions who go into the next age will become a part of the Holy. The people who are resurrected after the millennium and are judged worthy at the Judgment will be established as the Nations. They will have a second life, and they will populate the universe through natural procreation. But our Master is not going to be able to rule the universe with just a puny number of us. We now are only the first fruits. In the next age, the whole harvest will come in — billions. And after that, since Messiah is the Husband and we're the Wife, we'll have spiritual offspring, as Ps 102:28 says, "The children of Your servants will continue, and their descendants will be established before you," and in Isa 9:7, there will be no end to the increase of His government. This is necessary to keep up with the populations of the Nations.

1 Cor 2:9 — You can see how it is inconceivable what will happen in the Eighth Day, and how precious each one of us is. The scions in the millennium will have the opportunity to be saved through receiving us. Then the final testing will come at the end of that age to see who is sealed with the Spirit. There will be those who are not sealed with the Spirit, and the final testing will reveal that. The Twelve Tribes in this age will also go through a final testing at the end of this age, like a threshing floor (Mt 24:9-13; it should be *many*, not *most*).

Mevaser — In some ways, we're better off than Adam. Adam didn't have iniquity, but he also didn't know what we know. There is a development going on, and man is being trained to rule through it.

Aharon — When I hear all this, what burns in my heart is to pass this onto my children with every opportunity I can get. Gen 15:18 won't be fulfilled unless we do Gen 18:19. That is the secret, right there. But it won't happen if we hear all these things and then just go back to our busyness.

I wish all the Jews could understand that we're doing all this for them, that the promise of Abraham could be fulfilled.

So this is how the first church was also deceived, according to Paul — receiving a person from the outside, or from the inside (Acts 20:28-30). *“Even people from your own midst will draw away disciples.”* Men will arise, teaching things contrary to the anointing we have received. Some will have a desire to listen to what they have to say — a desire against the Word of God. Where does this desire come from, to go against the anointing? 1 Jn 2:19 is the consequence (2 Cor 11:2; Heb 10:37,39).

They will be deceived as Eve was deceived. They go to the tree of the knowledge of good and evil rather than the tree of life. For example, they go to the library or the Internet and start looking up things, or get out their Scofield or Ryrie Study Bibles and compare what “Ryrie says,” along with others. I was teaching years ago in Island Pond and someone said, “Well, Ryrie doesn't say that...”

Zerubbabel — Then he ought to go move in with Mr. Ryrie.

The inner desire in those who are led astray (as Eve) responds to outward enticement (2 Cor 11:4,13-15). Just as sin was spawned in Eve, so it will in them. No one can blame Satan or anyone else for their own inner desire (1 Jn 5:18; Mt 6:13). You hear a lot of excuses: “Well, the reason he is this way is because his mother died, and this and that, and someone did this to him...” They have all these excuses, but really they don't have any excuse.

Both Eve and Adam shifted the blame. Satan is the external source of temptation, but no one can blame him for their wrong desire. Satan is very keen and alert for this

inner desire which lies within a man or woman (as in Eve). Jms 1:14 — She was drawn away by “her” own desire. What caused her to go to that tree? Did Adam take her there? If so, why did he not rule over her apparent desire for this evil knowledge, by which Satan deceived her with? (2 Tim 2:22)

So where does our own desire come from? From our self, our own flesh, as Gal 5:24, or from Eph 6:10-18? Man was created with an inborn appetite to sin — to do what sin is (Jms 4:17). Adam and Eve were created with something in them that could be drawn and enticed. Were they vulnerable, or susceptible? Gal 5:24 — We’re not susceptible,<sup>3</sup> but we are vulnerable.<sup>4</sup>

1 Tim 6:9 — “Those who *desire* to be rich fall into a temptation, *and* a snare.” Is it a normal desire to want to be rich? One who “desires to be rich” seeks his own comfort and security. But are we supposed to seek our own security? We’re called to seek first the Kingdom and His righteousness (Mt 6:33). Paul said, “If we have food and clothing, with these we will be content” (1 Tim 6:8). The “desire to be rich” comes from a deep anxiety and craving for comfort. Look at the word *snare*. It brings forth death; you can’t get out; you’re trapped. The evil one puts the bait in there, which appeals to our desire.

But according to Gal 5:24, we the redeemed, are no longer under Satan’s rule, since we now can obey our Redeemer and Master and not give ourselves to Satan’s power. We can call on Yahshua’s name (Mt 28:18). We now “keep ourselves” (1 Jn 5:18, KJV, NKJV) from the snare of the wicked one, as also we keep ourselves from idols (1 Jn 5:21) and purify ourselves (1 Jn 3:1-3), surrendering ourselves to the purifying process.

“The one who is begotten of God keeps himself and the wicked one does not touch him” as he did Eve and Adam, and all who are born of them are touched by Satan. The evil one exerted a modifying influence on Eve, and then she acted as one who is

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<sup>3</sup> *Susceptible* — likely to be influenced or harmed by a particular thing; easily influenced by feelings or emotions.

<sup>4</sup> *Vulnerable* — capable of being physically or emotionally [or spiritually] hurt.



modified acts. He attached himself, causing her death. *Touch* means to exert a modifying influence. The “first touch” (a sexual encounter) modifies someone’s soul. We try to keep our children from that premature touch. Sodomites are drawn to children, to touch them in that way, and they can never forget it. It’s affecting the whole world.

The evil one has touched us in the past before we were saved, but now we can cast out that touch before it fastens itself to us (Mt 12:44-45; Lk 11:24-26), that is, Satan’s attachment to our soul, exerting a modifying influence on us if we are not delivered by our Savior’s name. Once one of our children is “touched” it can only be remedied if they call upon our Master Yahshua’ name. It is prophesied, “*That is how it will be with that wicked generation*” that crucified our Master (Mt 12:45).

Satan was not attached to Eve *before* she ate, but she, through her own desire (not from Satan’s attachment), was drawn away as Jms 1:14, and then verse 15 happened to her — as it can happen to us if we do not “keep ourselves” (Rev 3:20-21) from Satan’s attachment to our soul, which can cause death (1 Jn 5:16-17; Jms 5:19-20; 1:21; Lk 16:28) — not eternal, but for 1000 years (Rev 3:4-5; 2:11).

To be clean or to be unclean is up to each one of us individually. No blame can be shifted to anyone else for our condition at the judgment, regardless of whether our Shepherds were negligent. Just as Eve or Adam could not shift the blame on Satan or God, or on his wife or her husband, the blame is on you. You must answer for yourself, and those others whom you might blame must answer for themselves. I do not mean that those “others” are not at fault and are not accountable to our Father for their actions. (But a little girl or boy who is “touched” by someone is not accountable for being touched, but are accountable if they pass it on to others.) If you don’t shift the blame, then you can be forgiven. You must take it yourself. Then, our Father will hold others accountable to Himself.

The Community is a precarious place to walk. The truth is always right “on the edge.” We will go astray if we’re not led by the Spirit and in fellowship with Him. If

we're not, and we're trying to understand the Scriptures, we're going to understand them wrong and blame God. It is always this way, and it *has* to be this way. It can't just be written as in the "Living Bible" so that everyone can understand everything without needing to pray for understanding and revelation.

If one's garment is stained or unclean, it will not come out until after 1000 years of washing in that place of torment (Acts 2:24; Lk 16:28). But the one who overcomes will not be *hurt* (suffer torment) by the second death, which *for us* (who are stained, not overcomers) is the next thousand years after this present age (2 Cor 5:10). But the second death for those who were not saved by Yahshua is eternity, which is after the millennial age (Rev 20:11-15). If we keep His word (Jn 8:51), we will never be *touched* by death.

Rev 3:21 is to overcome what would cause a believer to not "keep himself" so that the evil one could not touch him, and that means to call upon our Master Yahshua's name and pray as He has commanded (Mt 6:13), since our Master has been given all authority in heaven and on earth in the present age (Mt 28:18), and the millennial age (1 Cor 15:24-28). The last enemy, which is death, will be done away for all His people — the Holy and the Righteous of the eternal nations (Rev 21:3-4); that is when Rev 20:10 is done. That is when Death is finished as 1 Cor 15:53-54.

But don't forget verse 58. Isn't that wonderful? Our labor is not in vain. I am so thankful that our Father is merciful. Our labor could be in vain. Paul thought his was, as is written in Isa 49:3-4. He saw everyone falling away. But it wasn't in vain, because we know how the first church fell. Obviously, Paul read Isa 49:6, because he quoted it in Acts 13:47, and spoke of "our twelve tribes" (Acts 26:7). We know who we are. But we'll have to pray night and day that our labors wouldn't be in vain.