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### Genesis 3

#### Lesson 16 satan's relation to the Word

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This lesson is very important in this generation. We would like to show you in this lesson that Satan and all his servants actively use the scriptures.

Satan brought about the fall of man by questioning, criticizing, and casting doubt upon the words of God. That is his method of operation and he does it through many people you would never think of them being a tool of the devil. Any minister, relative, or good friend, who questions, criticizes, or cast doubt upon the words of God, that much of his life is Satanic. I did not imply that he or she is full of the devil; only that this portion of their life is Satanic. Each time you hear someone say, "a better translation would be..." or "this word should be..." or "this verse is rendered improperly..." or "these words are not found in the original..." that is the serpent speaking through that man or woman just as clearly as the serpent spoke to Eve in Genesis chapter 3.

This is the dividing point of Bible-believing churches from other churches. This is why most folks have a hard time understanding us. We believe God wrote the Bible without error; preserved it without error, and that we (English speaking people) have God's word without error in the Authorized King James Bible.

The Bible says you ought to depart from the teaching that causes you to err from the truth of God's infallible word. (Proverbs 19:27) You must flee from it as fast as you would from fornication, idolatry, or youthful lusts.

#### I. Satan's personal use of the Scriptures

a. The devil knows the scriptures and quotes them (Matthew 4:1-11). He can only be detected by the fact that he will use the scriptures to exalt himself and not the Lord.

In Matthew 4:1-6, the devil's personal use of the scriptures. *Then was Jesus led up of the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted of the devil. 2 And when he had fasted forty days and forty nights, he was afterward an hungred. 3 And when the tempter came to him, he said, If thou be the Son of God, command that these stones be made bread.* Why did the devil tempt Him in that way? Because the Bible said, that the Lord would feed His people by giving them bread in the wilderness desert places; and Satan knowing the word of God tempted the Lord Jesus Christ by quoting the word of God out of its context and in violation of its God ordained meaning Verse 4. *But he answered and said, It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of*

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*the mouth of God.* That same word in Luke 4:4, in the modern translations of the Bible have removed the phrase "*but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God*" they have been removed from the New American Standard Version, and the New International Version and many others. Who in the world would take those words out of a Bible?, only the devil himself.

Verse 5... *Then the devil taketh him up into the holy city, and setteth him on a pinnacle of the temple, 6 And saith unto him, If thou be the Son of God, cast thyself down: for it is written, He shall give his angels charge concerning thee: and in their hands they shall bear thee up, lest at any time thou dash thy foot against a stone.* Notice that Satan is quoting the scriptures. He is not tempting Jesus to do something immoral or ungodly; he is tempting Him with the scriptures to do something that is not scriptural.

When a cult member knocks on your door carrying a Bible or a well renown minister stands in a pulpit and says something like "what does this mean?" It means you have to know the Bible or you will be deceived by that person who is quoting the bible to your destruction. It is not enough to be a good faithful church member; you need to be in a church where you are learning God's word.

Verse 7-11. *Jesus said unto him, It is written again, Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God. 8 Again, the devil taketh him up into an exceeding high mountain, and sheweth him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them; 9 And saith unto him, All these things will I give thee, if thou wilt fall down and worship me. 10 Then saith Jesus unto him, Get thee hence, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve. 11 Then the devil leaveth him, and, behold, angels came and ministered unto him.*

The devil knows the scriptures. A method you can use to detect his voice is when he uses the scriptures to exalt himself rather than God. Listen very carefully when a minister, pastor, or teacher uses the Bible who is being the magnified? Themselves? or Jesus Christ? Their knowledge of the Bible? or Jesus Christ?

God gave us these scriptures to point us to Jesus Christ and to give us the knowledge of Jesus Christ as our Saviour. God gave us these scriptures so that once we are saved we could follow Him and give Him the preeminent place in our lives. Any other use of the scriptures is not the God intended purpose.

b. The devil questions and corrects the scriptures (Genesis 3:1-6). He can be detected by the fact that he will not use the scriptures as they are actually written. Genesis 3:1 *Now the serpent was more subtil than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden?* His message may begin positive. "Yea ...surely Eve, did God really say that?" "Is that really the word

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of God?" "Is that really the right translation?" "Isn't that just a version?" "Don't all these Bibles come from men, after all aren't all men sinners?" "Are you sure those words are in the original?" "Have you checked that in the Greek and Hebrew?" Do you recognize this person? It is the devil with church clothes on. Every bit of that, they are not coming right out and attacking the word of God; they are very subtly getting you to question the word of God. Once they plant a question in your mind, then they can begin a debate with you.

Verse 2. *And the woman said unto the serpent, We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden: 3 But of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die.* Here is the first revision of the Bible. God said thou mayest freely eat. Eve left that word out. God did not say neither shall ye touch it. Eve added that for emphasis.

When you hear the serpent hiss you will recognize his presence. Anybody that adds to or takes away from the words of this book is not being led by the Holy Spirit.

Verse 4. *And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die:* Once you have accepted that attitude that questions the word of God, you will next begin to add to and take away from the word of God; when you do that you are easy prey for Satan to deny the truth of the word of God, just like Eve did. People say "I'd never deny the Bible as the word of God..." The first time you question one jot or tittle of the Bible (Matthew 5:18), you have taken a giant step down the road to denying God's word outright.

## II. The use of scripture by Satan's servants

a. His workers seek to prevent its effectiveness (Matthew 13:19). The word of God is not bound and Satan is powerless to keep it from going forth. However, the devils and unclean spirits, who are always present as the seed is being sown, work upon the ears, hearts, and minds of the hearers to prevent the word from taking root.

Matthew 13:18-19 *Hear ye therefore the parable of the sower. 19 When any one heareth the word of the kingdom, and understandeth it not, then cometh the wicked one, and catcheth away that which was sown in his heart. This is he which received seed by the way side.* Most of us know this parable, a sower went out to sow. Jesus said the seed is the word of God. As the sower scattered that seed, the word of God, the Bible teaches that as soon as that seed went out, the fowls of the air began to gather and devour that seed.

He said every time the word of God is proclaimed, Satan's ministers and fallen angels are present to distract you... to get your mind to wander... to twist that thing around and make you hear something or misunderstand

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what was said... to have you respond to the tone of voice instead of the exact word that was spoken. Anything the devil can do to keep the word of God from reaching your heart, he'll do it!

Satan spends more time in the churches where the Bible is preached than he does in churches where it is not preached. Those churches that are preaching social issues and talking about psychology, car crashes and poems, the devil does not have to go there. They are doing what the devil wants them to do. They are no threat to him. But where the truth of God's word is being proclaimed... lives are being changed... faith in Jesus Christ is being revived... the devil says, *"my servants! Get down there and do something about that!"*

b. Satan has ministers who preach the word (2 Corinthians 11:14-15; 11:4; Galatians 1:6-8). The fact that a man looks nice, speaks kindly, lives a good life and preaches from the Bible, cannot guarantee he is not satanic. 2 Corinthians 11:13-15. *For such are false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into the apostles of Christ. 14 And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light. 15 Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works.*

Here is an example, a prominent preacher once said on June 8th, "God told me that tomorrow June the 9<sup>th</sup>... all the evil will be swept up from the earth..." You say, "Who believes that?" Saved people. You say, "Who would send money to somebody like that?" Christian people. You say why? Because somewhere back down the road their faith in the word of God was replaced by faith in well-dressed preacher. What happened on June 10<sup>th</sup>?, Nothing, they just started telling another lie. Do you know who those preachers belong to? They belong to the DEVIL!

c. The devil has men who study the Bible to destroy the body of Christ. Herod knew the Bible enough to learn where to find Jesus that he might kill Him (Matthew 2:1-8). Men like Robert Green Ingersoll who searched the scriptures to find means of destroying men's faith in the word. Cults like the Jehovah's Witnesses, Seventh Day Adventist, and Mormons who study the Bible only to change and deny its' meanings.

### III. Recognizing Satan's activity

a. We will look at four verses and locate the key word that will show you how to recognize Satan's activity. (Ezekiel 28:17) His wisdom is corrupted. Anyone teaching the Bible, publicly or privately, should warn others of the devils great danger.

b. He corrupted the woman. (2 Corinthians 11:3) *as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtilty, so your minds should be corrupted...* Eve

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was corrupted.

c. The serpent corrupted Eve by corrupting the word of God. (2 Corinthians 2:17). In the garden, Satan used his corrupted wisdom to first, cast doubt upon the word; second, alter the actual words of God; third, deny the truth of the word outright. When a man or woman takes the first of these three steps they have already joined league with the Devil. 2 Corinthians 2:17. ***For we are not as many, which corrupt the word of God:***

d. The word of God is incorruptible (1 Peter 1:23). Anyone who says that time and translators have conspired against the word of God to introduce corruption into its text is satanic. 1 Peter 1:23 ***Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever.*** The word of God is not capable of corruption. It was pure and perfect the day God gave it and it is pure and perfect today. It will be pure and perfect unto all generations.

NOTE: Satan told the woman that knowledge would make her as the gods. This knowledge came at the expense of the words of God. A college graduate refers to his school as his Alma (virgin) Mater (mother), believing his education (knowledge) makes him as a god.

The world may not acknowledge it. But this Bible runs the world. Do not do what Satan did. Do not let your wisdom become corrupted. Do not let your faith become corrupted. Hang on to a Bible that is incorruptible ***by the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever.***

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All answers must have scripture back-up to receive full credit.

1. What did Ingersoll do wrong?
2. Where does the devil spend most of his time?
3. Why is this lesson so important to this generation?
4. Who helps the Satan do his handy work?
  - a.
  - d.
  - c.
  - d.
5. What is the first step in not believing the Bible?
6. What did Eve do that was so bad, according to this lesson?
7. What are the four ways to recognize Satan's activity?
  - a.
  - b.
  - c.
  - d.

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8. What does it tell you when you hear a preacher say "*In the Greek this passage is rendered as*"?
9. What are the five verses in the Bible that tell us not to alter God's word?
10. What is the purpose of the new versions of the Bible?
11. What tactics did Satan use in the garden to tempt Jesus?
12. What is the key word in all of Satan's tactics?
13. How can we detect a Pastor or teacher who is being controlled by the devil?

### True/false

- Being controlled by the devil does not mean they are full of the devil.
- The devil spends more time in Bible believing Churches.
- The Bible is the incorruptible word of God, for this generation and forever.



Memory verses, write these out on the back of this page. (must be in KJV)  
Revelation 22:18-19; Deuteronomy 4:2; Proverbs 30:6; Deuteronomy 12:32

Any questions?