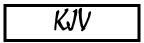
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Genesis 3

Lesson 3 – Identity of the Serpent

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In this lesson we shall examine the word of God and determine exactly who it was that spoke with the woman Eve in the Garden.

There are two sides of the road in those who call themselves Christians in our world today.

- One side of this road are the people that blame every problem, sickness and warfare attack on the devil:
- The other side of that same road believe that they can command the devil and he will obey them

This type of thinking is extremely dangerous to the young and seasoned Christian.

There are some books in the Christian book stores that teach if you get a flat tire that is proof that you have the demon of flat tires, if your kid gets his tooth knocked out on the playground, then it was the work of a demon. What happens if you believe this false doctrine? You will end up being a doubtful Christian living in fear, scared to death of your own shadow; for fear of what the devil might do when they least expect it. The word "demon" is not in the bible.

This prompts the age old question, in which many seasoned Christian have still left unanswered in their walk with God.

Can a Christian be devil possessed, ABSOLUTLY NOT!!!

Look at these verses, and then make a determination Matthew 12:29; Luke 11:26. These first two verses show us that our soul has an opening, and it will allow any thing inside.

- Revelation 3:20 Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me.
- John 10:7-9 Then said Jesus unto them again, Verily, verily, I say unto you, I am the door of the sheep. 8 All that ever came before me are thieves and robbers: but the sheep did not hear them. 9 I am the door: by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture.

The above two verses show us that once we have the door (Jesus Christ), add to those above scriptures Ephesians 1:13; 2 Corinthians 1:22; Ephesians 4:30. Jesus Christ can seal it.



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The Bible tells us that our bodies are the temple of the Holy Spirit. From what we learned in our last lesson, God will not allow and sin into His temple.

In those same Christian books stores some books that they sell teach to make Satan weak in his power.... statements that refer to rebuking the devil, binding the devil. Make fun of the devil, he has no power over you. All you need to do is put him in his place. The one is just as bad as the other.

The Bible says in Jude 1:9 Yet Michael the archangel, when contending with the devil he disputed about the body of Moses, durst not bring against him a railing accusation, but said, The Lord rebuke thee. If you read Zechariah chapter 3, one member of the Trinity turns Satan over to the other member of the Trinity. He did not even deal with him face to face. Zechariah 3:1-2

We strive for the middle ground... balance in the word of God teaches that next to God Almighty, Satan has much wisdom, he is a cunning, a powerful creature in this universe. To many Christians live today as though the battle were undecided. The truth of the matter is when Jesus Christ rose from the dead He had spoiled principalities and powers... made a show of them openly... triumphing over them in His resurrection...Colossians 2:14-15. After His resurrection it is said, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth Matthew 28:18; Revelation 5:13.

Do not make fun of the devil, do not treat him as weak, respect him for who he is, but always remember who made him. Genesis 3:1

God has never told us to fear the devil or his power. Jesus said, *Fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell.* (Jesus Christ) Matthew 10:28.

I. HIS MANY NAMES

Throughout scripture the devil has many names; here are just a few, with the scripture references:

- Satan Revelation 20:2
- the Devil Revelation 20:2
- the dragon Revelation 20:2
- that old serpent Revelation 20:2
- the crooked serpent Isaiah 27:1
- the piercing serpent Isaiah 27:1
- leviathan Isaiah 27:1
- angel of light 2 Corinthians 11:14
- son of the morning Isaiah 14:12
- king of Tyrus Ezekiel 28:12



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Notice one name, Satan. He is not **the** Satan. Satan is the name, **the** devil, **the** serpent, **the** dragon all are titles for the name of Satan.

Observe something else here in Revelation 20:1-2, it takes an angel with a great chain to bind the devil. The next time you hear somebody get up before a church service and say, "Oh, God, we bind the devil in Jesus Name..." Pray for them. They are not rightly dividing scripture. Satan will not be bound until the dawn of the millennial day and not one moment sooner.

II. HIS PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

What did the devil look like it the garden, a serpent? Yes, but so much more than a slithering reptile with black eyes and fangs as we can imagine. Let us look a few places in the Bible to get a clear picture of the devil Ezekiel 28:12-19; Isaiah 14:12-19; Job 41:1-34.

This snake you see crawling on its belly through your garden for the most part is powerless to hurt you – that is not the serpent as he existed in the garden when he dealt with Eve. The serpent that dealt with Eve was capable of speech, capable of intelligent reasoning with the woman and was so appealing to the woman that she had no reservation about talking with him.

III. HIS DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS

Look back in Job 41. We read about a dragon, serpent and we understand what is being said. In the margin of most Bibles today the publisher will put something like, these words are rendered in the originals as hippopotamus or a crocodile, you know by now who that is, do not to pay any attention to that kind of talk.

Job 41:1-34, Canst thou draw out leviathan with an hook? I know who I am reading about. I am reading about Satan. We are not dealing with a flesh and blood creature like we see swimming in the water. He is a spiritual being. or his tongue with a cord which thou lettest down? 2 Canst thou put an hook into his nose? or bore his jaw through with a thorn? We can do all those things to an alligator. 3 Will he make many supplications unto thee? What is a supplication? That is a prayer for supply a request for assistance. Satan does not accept requests. He commands. ...will he speak soft words unto thee?

4 Will he make a covenant with thee? wilt thou take him for a servant for ever? You are not going to use the devil; he will use you through non-Christians. Through them, he will abuse you, take advantage of you; he does not cut any deals, or make any bargains; he is not interested in playing fair, or looking for a mutual relationship to benefit both of you; His one desire is to damn your



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soul... to wreck and ruin your family... and if you think you are making a deal or bargain with him you are deceived. **That is not in his character**.

Verse 5. Wilt thou play with him as with a bird? or wilt thou bind him for thy maidens? Do you have a cute little satanic symbol hanging from your neck? You are deceived. Do not play around with the devil that way. A good example is, let's say I am driving home from a late night church service, I am tired, I am looking for an inexpensive motel, I see a sign that says "Vacancy". This is what I am looking for. You can call them earrings, bracelets, necklaces, a cute little pictures on the wall, a CD cover, a board game your closet, dream catchers on your rear view mirror... you can call it whatever you want — but as the unclean spirits travel through this world... they see those things as a sign that says "Vacancy... Visitors welcome." Do not play with things like this until you have thoroughly investigated their origin. It is not a game. Verse 5. Wilt thou play with him...

Halloween time comes and moms and dad dress their children up, put a little red leotard on... a little tail with a pointy arrow on it, give them a little pitchfork... put a couple of little horns...not a very good idea to subject your small child to unclean spirits.

Verse 6 You will not destroy him. Satan is indestructible.

Verse 7 You will not kill him.

Verse 8 What did he say? *remember the battle, do no more.* There was a battle in Genesis 3. There was a battle at Calvary. It took the Son of God Jesus Christ at Calvary to defeat the devil. *remember the battle, do no more.* Leave him alone. Do not play with him. Do not talk about him. Christians get together and want to know there closest experience with Satan, Why? So he can pick you up on his radar, and show up. I do not want to know what I have missed encountering with the devil. I will take God's word for it. I will remember the battle and do no more.

Read through to verse 34, some questions refer to these verses.

VI. WHAT WE KNOW THAT THE WOMAN DID NOT

- A. Satan is a liar. John 8:44
- B. Satan is a murderer. Hebrews 2:14
- C. He seeks to destroy men. (First Peter 5:8)
- D. He is transformed into an angel of light. 2 Corinthians 11:14

Notes



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	Name
All a	nswers must have scripture back-up to receive full credit.
1.	Can a Christian be devil possessed?
2.	Does a Christian have the power to bind Satan?
3.	When my car breaks down, it is because I have demons in my engine Yes? or No? Why?
4.	Is the word "demon" in the King James Bible?
5.	Define the word "demon" (extra credit).
6.	Who is the only one who will ever bind the Satan?
7.	Should we fear the devil?
8.	Should we talk about the devil?
9.	Why is it a bad idea to wear satanic symbols on your body?
10.	Who created Satan?
11.	List 7 names of Satan. a. b. c. d. e. f.

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Which names are titles?

12.



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13.	List 10	distinguishing	characteristics	about	Satan?
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- a.
- b.
- C.
- d.
- e.
- f
- g.
- h.
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- j.
- 14. Explain why each of the above 10 should not be meddled with.
 - a.
 - b.
 - C.
 - d.
 - e.
 - f.
 - g.
 - h.
 - i

True/false

- Satan is a liar.
- Satan is a murderer.
- Satan is a roaring lion and an angel of light.
- Satan will never make an agreement with you that will be to your benefit.
- Satan should never be the topic of our conversation.



Memory verses, write these out on the back of this page. (must be in KJV) John 8:44; John 1:14; Ephesians 4:30.

Any Questions?