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Satan and his strategies

We are not studying about Stan to glorify him but to know what a crafty fellow.

2 Corinthians 2:11, *lest Satan should take advantage of us; **for we are not ignorant of his devices.***

Jesus did warn us saying that, **Matthew 24:24**, *For false christs and false prophets will rise and show great signs and wonders to deceive, if possible, even the elect.*

NAMES OF SATAN IN THE BIBLE

Lucifer

Isaiah 14:12, *“How you are fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! How you are cut down to the ground, You who weakened the nations!*

Serpent

Genesis 3:1, *Now the serpent was more cunning than any beast of the field which the Lord God had made. And*

he said to the woman, “Has God indeed said, ‘You shall not eat of every tree of the garden?’”

Satan

1 Chronicles 21:1, *Now Satan stood up against Israel, and moved David to number Israel. (49 TIMES IN THE BIBLE)*

Devil

Matthew 4:1, *Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. (100 times in NT)*

Dragon

Revelation 20:2, *He laid hold of the dragon, that serpent of old, who is the Devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years*

Adversary

Luke 12:58, *When you go with your adversary to the magistrate, make every effort along the way to settle with him, lest he drag you to the judge, the judge deliver you to the officer, and the officer throw you into prison.*

Deceiver of the world

Revelation 12:9, *So the great dragon was cast out, that serpent of old, called the Devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world; he was cast to the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.*

Murderer

John 8:44, *You are of your father the devil, and the desires of your father you want to do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own resources, for he is a liar and the father of it.*

Serpent

Revelation 12:9, *So the great dragon was cast out, that serpent of old, called the Devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world; he was cast to the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.*

Piercing Serpent

Isaiah 27:1, *In that day the Lord with His severe sword, great and strong, Will punish Leviathan the fleeing serpent, Leviathan that twisted serpent; And He will slay the reptile that is in the sea.*

Prince of Demons

Matthew 9:34, *But the Pharisees said, "He casts out demons by the ruler of the demons."*

Prince of Power of the air

Ephesians 2:2, *in which you once walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit who now works in the sons of disobedience,*

Prince of this world

John 14:30 -31, *I will no longer talk much with you, for the ruler of this world is coming, and he has nothing in Me. ³¹But that the world may know that I love the Father, and as the Father gave Me commandment, so I do. Arise, let us go from here.*

King of Tyrus

Ezekiel 28:12, *Son of man, take up a lamentation for the king of Tyre, and say to him, 'Thus says the Lord God: "You were the seal of perfection, Full of wisdom and perfect in beauty.*

God of this world

2 Corinthians 4:4, whose minds **the god of this age** has blinded, who do not believe, lest the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine on them.

Enemy

Matthew 13:39, The enemy who sowed them is the devil, the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are the angels.

Roaring lion

1 Peter 5:8, Be sober, be vigilant; because ^{cl}your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour.

Angel of light

2 Corinthians 11:14, And no wonder! For Satan himself transforms himself into an angel of light.

Anointed Cherub

Ezekiel 28:14, “You were the anointed cherub who covers; I established you; You were on the holy mountain of God; You walked back and forth in the midst of fiery stones.

Belial

Deuteronomy 13:13, *‘Corrupt men have gone out from among you and enticed the inhabitants of their city, saying, “Let us go and serve other gods”’—which you have not known— ;*

Beelzebub (Lord of Flies)

Matthew 12:24, *Now when the Pharisees heard it they said, “This fellow does not cast out demons except by Beelzebub, the ruler of the demons.”*

Twisted serpent

Isaiah 27:1, *In that day the Lord with His severe sword, great and strong, Will punish Leviathan the fleeing serpent, Leviathan that **twisted serpent**; And He will slay the reptile that is in the sea.*

Leviathan

Isaiah 27:1, *In that day the Lord with His severe sword, great and strong, Will punish **Leviathan** the fleeing serpent, Leviathan that twisted serpent; And He will slay the reptile that is in the sea.*

Ruler of Darkness

Ephesians 6:12, *For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places.*

Son of Morning

Isaiah 14:12, *“How you are fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! How you are cut down to the ground, You who weakened the nations!*

Tempter

Matthew 4:3, *Now when the tempter came to Him, he said, “If You are the Son of God, command that these stones become bread.”*

Unclean Spirit

Matthew 12:43, *“When an unclean spirit goes out of a man, he goes through dry places, seeking rest, and finds none.*

Wicked one

1John 3:12, *not as Cain who was of the wicked one and murdered his brother. And why did he murder him? Because his works were evil and his brother’s righteous.*

The ways in which Satan attacks a believer.

1. Liar and murderer

John 8:44, *You are of your father the devil, and the desires of your father you want to do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own resources, for he is a liar and the father of it.*

In Genesis 3 when he appears he plant a seed of doubt by using a 'Did God say'

Second word he spoke was 'you will not die'

1 John 3:12, *not as Cain who was of the wicked one and murdered his brother. And why did he murder him? Because his works were evil and his brother's righteous.*

Revelation 2:10, *Do not fear any of those things which you are about to suffer. Indeed, the devil is about to throw some of you into prison, that you may be tested, and you will have tribulation ten days. Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life.*

John 10:10, *The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly.*

2. Blinds the mind of believers

2 Corinthians 4:4, whose minds **the god of this age** has blinded, who do not believe, lest the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine on them.

So he just not speaks lies but hides the truth.

3. He masquerades as light and righteousness

2 Corinthians 11:13-15, For such are false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into apostles of Christ.¹⁴ And no wonder! For Satan himself **transforms himself into an angel of light.**¹⁵ Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also transform **themselves into ministers of righteousness**, whose end will be according to their works.

Bringing false Gospel inside the church and teaches the people.

1 Timothy 4:1 'doctrines of Demons'

Matthew 7:15, sheep's clothing

4. Satan does perform signs and wonders

2 Thessalonians 2:9, *The coming of the lawless one is according to the working of Satan, with all power, signs, and lying wonders,*

Matthew 24:24, *For false christs and false prophets will rise and show great signs and wonders to deceive, if possible, even the elect.*

Matthew 7:22-23, *Many will say to Me in that day, 'Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name?'²³ And then I will declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!'*

5. Satan plucks the word of God out of hearts of the people

Mark 1:4-9 Parable of the sower

Mark 4:15, *And these are the ones by the wayside where the word is sown. When they hear, **Satan comes immediately and takes away the word** that was sown in their hearts.*

1 Thessalonians 3:5, *For this reason, when I could no longer endure it, I sent to know your faith, lest by some means the tempter had tempted you, and our labour might be in vain.*

6. Causes sickness and diseases

Luke 13:16, *So ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan has bound—think of it—for eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the Sabbath?”*

Acts 10:38, *how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power, who went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him.*

Not every sickness is from the devil.

John 9:3, *Jesus answered, “Neither this man nor his parents sinned, but that the works of God should be revealed in him.*

7. Accuses Christians before God

Revelation 12:10, *Then I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, “Now salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of His Christ have come, for the accuser of our brethren, who accused them before our God day and night, has been cast down.*

Job 1:11, *But now, stretch out Your hand and touch all that he has, and he will surely curse You to Your face!”*

Satan will NOT win

1 John 3:8, *He who sins is of the devil, for the devil has sinned from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil.*

Hebrews 2:14, *Inasmuch then as the children have partaken of flesh and blood, He Himself likewise shared in the same, that through death He might destroy him who had the power of death, that is, the devil,*

Colossians 2:15, *Having disarmed principalities and powers, He made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them in it.*

Mark 3:27, *No one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his goods, unless he first binds the strong man. And then he will plunder his house.*

Revelation 20:10, *The devil, who deceived them, was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone where the beast and the false prophet are. And they will be tormented day and night forever and ever.*