



The Discipleship Project of Horizon Central

Level #1 Series #5 Study #3

Topic: Satan and Demons

1. "Be sober, be vigilant; because our adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour:" **1 Peter 5:8**. Satan and demons are real, they are out there and they are pursuing you every minute, tempting you and making a case against you in the throne room of God. So who is Satan and what are Demons?
2. Satan is real. Jesus himself talked about him many times. For examples see: **Matthew 4:10, Mark 3:26, Luke 13:16, John 12:31**. Satan is a created being (**Ezekiel 28:15, Colossians 1:16**), an anointed cherub (**Ezekiel 28:14**), leader of the fallen angels (**Matthew 12:24, Revelation 12:7**), a confirmed sinner (**1 John 3:8**), is full of pride (**1 Timothy 3:6**), lies (**John 8:44**), is deceptive (**2 Corinthians 11:14, 2 Thessalonians 2:9-10**), is crafty (**2 Corinthians 2:11, 11:3-4, Ephesians 6:11**), and has the power of death over humans (**Job 2:6**)
3. Where did Satan come from? See: **Ezekiel 28:11-15**. When did he fall? See: **1 John 3:8**. What sin did he commit? **Isaiah 14:13-14**. What were the consequences? See: **Ezekiel 28:15-19**. What judgment did God pronounce on Satan? See: **Isaiah 14:12, 15**.
4. What does he want for believers? To: carefully examine (**Luke 22:31**), hinder (**1 Thessalonians 2:18**), gain advantage (**2 Corinthians 2:11**), deceive (**2 Corinthians 11:3**), torment (**2 Corinthians 12:7**), destroy (**1 Corinthians 5:5**), gain control (**Acts 5:3, 2 Timothy 2:26**), wage war (**Ephesians 6:10-11**), accuse (**Revelation 12:10**), plant doubt (**Genesis 3:1-5**), persecute (**Revelation 2:10**), tempt (**1 Thessalonians 3:5**), lose faith (**1 Timothy 1:19-20**), misuse scripture (**Matthew 4:5-6, Luke 4:9-11**)
5. Demons are also very real. Jesus talked about demons; See: **Matthew 7:22, Mark 7:29, Luke 10:20** and cast out demons; See: **Matthew 12:22-29, Mark 1:39, Luke 4:35**. The apostils knew of demons (**Matthew 10:1**) and 70 disciples caused the demons to submit in the name of Jesus (**Luke 10:17**). Demons know who Jesus is (**Mark 1:23-24**), their future (**Matthew 8:28-29**), that God is one (**James 2:19**), a false doctrine (**1 Timothy 4:1-3**), how to speak (**Luke 4:41**)
6. Where did demons come from? See: **Ezekiel 28:18**. This is part of the account of the fall of Satan that includes the charge of "iniquity of thy traffic". This is his talking to other heavenly beings (angels) to tempt them to follow him. Satan succeeded in 1/3 of all cases (**Revelation 12:3-4**). Therefore, demons are fallen angels.
7. How many demons are there, what are they like and what do they do? **Revelation 9:16** puts their number at 200 million, but **Hebrews 12:22-24** states that the number of angels is innumerable. Demons are evil spirits (**Luke 9:42**), bodiless, although they can possess bodies, (**Matthew 12:43-45**), and they are vicious (**Matthew 8:28**)
8. Believers should always remember that Satan and demons are not vanquished yet (**Revelation 20:10-14**) but they are a defeated enemy, (**Colossians 2:15**). We should know how to test for spirits (**1 John 4:1-4**), and should always wear the full armor of God (**Ephesians 6:10-18**)