

# Give The Devil His Due

## Chapter 5

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### The War In Heaven Revelation 12

The only link in the Bible (and it is a rather nebulous one) between the serpent of Genesis three and the Satan of the churches is in Revelation twelve. There, both the terms “serpent” and “Satan” are used to describe one entity. This passage is the one that is used to make the connection between the serpent of Genesis three and Satan or the devil.

*And there was a war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels, And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven. And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.*

**Revelation 12:7-9**

We've already seen that the word “serpent” is used 19 times in the Old Testament. Of those 19 times, it refers 18 times either to actual snakes or to something that is a symbol of a snake. It does not refer to any angelic being. Is it possible that the serpent of Genesis three could also be a snake or at least a symbol of something that would be an actual snake? Let's read on:

*And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down,*

*which accused them before our God day and night. And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death. Therefore rejoice, ye heavens, and ye that dwell in them. Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and of the sea for the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time.*

**Revelation 12:10-12**

Many sermons are still preached about this “great Devil,” who has been “cast down from God's abode to the earth.” Some ministers say the Devil runs around on the earth like a roaring lion, snatching as many souls as he can (and they give him billions of them), taking them down to his abode under the earth: a place of fire and brimstone. According to these ministers, that is what is being shown here in Revelation twelve. Some say that the serpent of Revelation 12 is, also, the serpent of Genesis three. But, is it possible that there is an error in the basic interpretation of where this battle took place? Let's back up and read the beginning of Revelation 12:

*And there appeared a great wonder (a great sign) in heaven; a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars: And she being with child cried, travailing in birth, and pained to be delivered.*

**Revelation 12:1-2**

Remember, John was seeing VISIONS. Where did the woman appear? She

appeared in heaven. Most of us accept the interpretation that the woman is representative of Israel. Where is Israel? Is Israel up in God's abode in heaven or is Israel upon the earth? John saw the woman in the same place he saw the dragon.

*And there appeared another wonder (or sign) in heaven; and behold a great red dragon, having seven heads and ten horns, and seven crowns upon his heads. And his tail drew the third part of the stars of heaven, and did cast them to the earth: and the dragon stood before the woman which was ready to be delivered, for to devour her child as soon as it was born.*

**Revelation 12:3-4**

To John, both of these visions are seen as in heaven. If the dragon is in heaven, or the abode of God, then the woman also would have to be there. Yet, we know the woman symbolizes Israel. She was going to have a child and we know that child is Jesus the Christ, born through the nation of Israel. The dragon was going to devour her child as soon as it was born.

In verse four, it says that the dragon's tail "drew the third part of the stars of heaven and did cast them to the earth." One of our speakers at the last conference made it rather plain, by giving us some statistics, that those stars, up in the heavens, are many millions of times the size of this earth. So, "the stars" cast out of this "heaven" were not the stars of the universe. If they had been actual stars, then the earth would have been destroyed many times. So, heaven here is something different than the heaven of the skies.

Let's look at the description of this dragon. We read, in verse nine of chapter 12, that he was called "that old serpent," "the Devil," and "Satan" and he "deceived

the earth." In verse three, it says that the dragon appeared to John as a "great red dragon, having seven heads and ten horns, and seven crowns upon his heads." Obviously, this represented something definite — something real - but, something other than a literal devil that looked like a dragon. Let's go on to chapter 13:

*And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a beast rise up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy.*

**Revelation 13:1**

If you read the rest of the chapter, you find that this beast represents great world powers which rose up out of the sea (or out of the nations) and ruled on the earth for a period of time. We are not talking about something that is in outer space. We are talking about something that is here on earth. Jesus Christ made it plain that the Kingdom of Heaven is on the earth. The word "heaven" in this passage cannot, and does not, mean the abode of God, as we have been taught. This dragon was not up in the abode of God. It represented a ruling power on the earth.

This vision is repeated in Revelation 17. In the following verse, John is speaking of one of the seven angels of chapter 16:

*So he (one of the seven angels) carried me away in the spirit into the wilderness: and I saw a woman sit upon a scarlet coloured beast, full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns.*

**Revelation 17:3**

This is that same beast which was described in Revelation 12. John describes the woman and tells us her name:

*And upon her forehead was a name written, MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT. THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH. And I saw the woman drunken with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus: and when I saw her, I wondered with great admiration.*

**Revelation 17:5-6**

So, this woman is riding a beast with the same description as the one that is called “dragon,” “Satan,” and “that old serpent” in Revelation 12 and 13. This woman is named Babylon and she kills Christians. Are the Christians killed in some far-away heaven? No, they are killed here on the earth.

*And the angel said unto me, Wherefore didst thou marvel? I will tell thee the mystery of the woman, and of the beast that carrieth her, which hath the seven heads and ten horns. The beast that thou sawest was, and is not; and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit, and go into perdition: and they that dwell on the earth shall wonder, whose names were not written in the book of life from the foundation of the world, when they behold the beast that was, and is not, and yet is.*

**Revelation 17:7-8**

John is describing something that the inhabitants of the earth will see and at which they will wonder. Where will it be seen? Here on the earth.

*And here is the mind which hath wisdom. The seven heads are seven mountains, on which the woman sitteth.*

**Revelation 17:9**

We know from Bible prophecy that “mountains” are nations.

*And there are seven kings: five are fallen, and one is, and the other is not yet come; and when he cometh, he must continue a short space.*

**Revelation 17:10**

What is John describing? He is describing the heads of the beast, and he says they are kings. Are the kings in some far-away heaven? No, they are someplace here on the earth.

*And the ten horns which thou sawest are ten kings, which have received no kingdom as yet; but receive power as kings one hour with the beast.*

**Revelation 17:12**

*And the woman which thou sawest is that great city, which reigneth over the kings of the earth.*

**Revelation 17:18**

This woman is riding a red beast. The angel tells John that the woman is that great city, or that great system, called Babylon, which reigns over the beast she is riding. What is the beast? It represents the kingdoms of the earth. This great dragon, this Satan, is not in a far-away heaven. It is a great world-ruling system of kings and nations here on the earth. When it is “cast down,” it is destroyed or its power is broken by the blood of Jesus.

The war in heaven was not fought in some far-away abode of God with an angelic being who rebelled against God. This war is what is going on here; on the earth between the kings of the earth and the people they are killing, who are called the martyrs of Jesus. The beast, these heads and this woman are all adversaries or opponents of Christian Israel. It is not some angelic being. It is not an omnipresent, supernatural angel who can have sexual relations with a woman and produce a child. This war in heaven is the

war in the kingdom of heaven on the earth, which we have seen, and which all nations of the world and all people of the world are looking at in wonder — just as the angel told John they would.

### **This Vision Is Also Found In Daniel Seven**

The visions that Daniel had are counterparts of the visions of John in the Book of Revelation.

*After this I saw in the night visions, and behold a fourth beast, dreadful and terrible, and strong exceedingly; and it had great iron teeth: it devoured and brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with the feet of it: and it was diverse from all the beasts that were before it; and it had ten horns.*

**Daniel 7:7**

Daniel wanted to know what the beast was so he asked the angel, who then described it in some detail. Here is a portion of that description:

*Thus he said, The fourth beast shall be the fourth kingdom upon earth, which shall be diverse from all kingdoms, and shall devour the whole earth, and shall tread it down, and break it in pieces. And the ten horns out of this kingdom are ten kings that shall arise:*

**Daniel 7:23-24**

What is this fourth beast? It is the “sawtawn” or “Satan” of Revelation 12, which is a great world power. It is called “the dragon,” “that old serpent,” “the Devil,” and “Satan,” it is something that destroys or fights against God's Christian Israel but it is not an omnipresent, omniscient, angelic being.

We have seen that the word “sawtawn” is a Chaldean word meaning adversary or opponent. What was John seeing in his vision in Revelation? He was seeing the same thing that Daniel saw in his visions: the great enemies (plural) of God's people, Israel. In Revelation it speaks of the battle between those kingdoms and God's Christian Israel as a “war in heaven.” Unfortunately, our people have taken that to mean that there were angels up there (in a physical heaven) who rebelled against God and were cast down to the earth. No, that dragon, Satan, or those angels, are not supernatural. They are kings and empires! Whenever we see something which fits the description of Satan or “sawtawn,” it is simply an enemy, an opponent, or an adversary.

### **One Anti-Christ Or Many?**

You have heard the doctrine of the single, great anti-Christ who, supposedly, will appear at some future time and take control of the earth. John wrote of this event 1900 years ago:

*Little children, it is the last time: and as ye have heard that anti-Christ shall come, even now are there many anti-Christ; whereby we know that it is the last time. They went out from us, but they were not of us: for if they had been of us, they would no doubt have continued with us: but they went out, that they might be made manifest that they were not all of us.*

**1 John 2:18-19**

John says there were anti-Christ's (plural) over 1900 years ago and they had been with his people and then had come out from them.

*Who is a liar but he that denieth that Jesus is the Christ? He is antiChrist, that denieth the Father and the Son.*

**1 John 2:22**

*Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world. Hereby know ye the Spirit of God: Every spirit that confesseth that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is of God: And every' spirit that confesseth not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is not of God: and this is that spirit of antiChrist, whereof ye have heard that it should come; and even now already is it in the world.*

**1 John 4:1-3**

Then, in 2 John, we read:

*For many deceivers are entered into the world, who confess not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh. This is a deceiver and an anti-Christ.*

**2 John 7**

Here again we find many anti-Christ. We have seen, from previous studies, that there are millions of people upon the earth who can be identified, today and in the past, as anti-Christ — plural. Collectively we would call them anti-Christ — singular.

## **Symbols Of The Anti-Christ**

In the Book of Revelation, John saw a vision of a great conglomeration of enemies of “the woman,” Israel. They were shown as one creature, but this one dragon represented many creatures. The dragon stood for many human beings who were anti-Christian and, therefore, anti-Christ. So, this dragon stood for not one individual; but a whole multitude of people, just as the phrase, “anti-Christ” stands for a great multitude of people — not just one person. We could say that the dragon is, also, the anti-Christ but, in both cases the anti-Christ is many people, not just one, and they are not angelic.

These anti-Christ are human beings who are the adversaries of Christian Israel.

In the case of Revelation 12, the word “serpent” is from “ophis” which means “sharpness of vision.” The literal meaning is “a sly or cunning creature,” and colloquial use has given it the title “snake” or a “serpent.” So this whole body of millions of enemies of the children of Israel could really be called, “a serpent,” because they are sly, cunning, deceiving people, who are attempting to destroy Christian Israel. It doesn't make them angelic and it doesn't make them literal snakes. The word “serpent” is a figurative word.

In John's statement about the anti-Christ, and in the visions of John about the dragon, those entities represent large numbers of human beings. The people, who are the kings of the earth, are humans. The people who support those kings and who fight Christians are human. Yet, instead, we are told by ministers that this is all some sort of an angelic being, or angelic creature.

## **False Doctrine Blinds Eyes To Reality**

In order to destroy most of the falsehoods that have deceived our people, we must find out what the Bible does NOT teach. That is a rather staggering job because you must go to all of the verses that these teachers of falsehoods use and individually examine each verse.

Christendom is under attack, as we saw earlier from reading chapter 2 of Matthew. Jesus warned that the major deception of God's people would come from men who come preaching Jesus Christ. Who teaches that there is such a place as a burning hell, where millions will live and scream in pain for eternity? Who teaches that the Jews are Israel and that we are not Israelites? Who teaches the

rapture or removal of the Christians from the earth before the anti-Christ comes? Who teaches that the reign of anti-Christ is future, after we leave? **MINISTERS!** Because our people hear those doctrines from so many ministers they assume those doctrines are in the Bible. None of those doctrines are in the Bible! Every one of them is a pagan superstition or the invention of men. Yet, they are taught to us by ministers; therefore, people assume they are from the Bible.

Let me pose a theory: If the ministers did not teach that the anti-Christ was future, our people would recognize the anti-Christ is here now. If the ministers did not teach the Jews are God's Chosen People, and that God will injure you if you injure the Jews, many of our people would be demanding that Jewish criminals be rooted out and punished or exiled from the land. If the ministers did not teach the Christians will be raptured, many of those Christians would be concerned about saving America. If the ministers did not teach that Satan is a great wicked power who dominates the earth, many of our people would recognize that those who seek to dominate the earth are **MEN**.

I've heard ministers go to great lengths to explain the great rule of "the future anti-Christ world power." They describe how Russia is gathering nations under it. They describe how the ten nations of the European Common Market are gathering together and that these nations are going to be the seat of the anti-Christ. These ministers describe other wicked things upon the earth, but they always say that it is part of a "future anti-Christ world system." If, instead of that, they were to describe that same event and tell you those things are happening because certain living men are preparing to destroy us; the reaction from our people would be entirely different,

would it not? Instead of people saying that it is all prophesied and is going to come to pass, and it is that angelic, evil spirit of Satan that is bringing it all about, they would recognize that it is being done by men. But, who conditioned the minds of our people to believe in a super natural Satan? It was the ministers in the pulpits of America.

All of our Christian people are left in a position of laying the blame for all evil on a so-called spirit-being that they have been taught is called the Devil or Satan. They do not lay the blame on individual human beings who could be corrected or eliminated. This devilish doctrine has kept our people from even desiring to learn about the men who are our enemies. If people knew that there was no such creature as this Satan of the churches, they would understand that the things happening against Christendom are being carried out by **MEN**. Most of these men are Jewish, such as: the Rothschilds, the Rockefellers, the Morgans, the Sassoons, the Kuhn-Loebs and a hundred other Jewish international bankers or conspirators. They are human beings who are working out a plan to destroy Christians. But, instead, our people think in terms of a nebulous spirit-being of some sort. They are prevented from rational thought by the doctrines taught by the churches.

The Catholic Church is a good example of how a false teaching is used to conquer people and to prevent those same people from learning who is conquering them. For centuries the Catholic church has taught that you must come to their church and bow down to it and its precepts or else the Devil will take you and burn you in hell for ever and ever. People are so fearful of the Devil that they accept conquest by the Catholic Church because their eyes are turned in the wrong direction. This goes on and on.

# WHO IS THE DUMMY?



What is it that destroys our people? It is nothing but a beclouding and confusing of the truth of God. The truth is that most plans, attacks, and efforts to destroy America and Christendom come from men who can be identified and exposed; men who can be stopped by the righteous anger of Christians operating under the laws of God. But, instead, our minds have been conditioned to always fight the shadow — never the reality. That is why ministers spend a lot of time preaching against pornography and alcohol. They should be naming and preaching against the pornographers. Ministers should not oppose alcohol — they should oppose the men who make and promote it. The same thing is true of almost everything that is corrupting this country. The ministers

have been conditioned, or they have conditioned the people, to oppose the act, but never the individuals who are performing that act. By the time you get to the national scale, they have taken all of the national crimes, the international crimes, and the murder of Christians and they have laid the blame at the door of some nebulous spirit being called Satan, the Devil, dragon, anti-Christ, or something like that. They do not lay the blame at the door of anti-Christ MEN.

1900 years ago, John said: "Even now there are many anti-Christ." Who has conditioned the minds of Christian people to think only of the shadow and never the reality? The men in the pulpits of America! They've done it with those false doctrines.

Martin Luther, and others, broke the power of the Roman Catholic Church over our Israel people by proving that the doctrines of that church were false. I believe that the way we, today, as God's people and God's ministers, are going to break the power of the enemy over us, is by proving that their doctrines are false doctrines:

Jesus Christ said: "Ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." (John 8:32). Our people are being conquered because their minds first were conquered by false doctrines taught by ministers in churches. The Red Bolshevik enemy and the Jewish international bankers could never have gotten as far in their power over America as they have, except for the fact that the minds of our people have been beclouded by ministers teaching false doctrines. One of those false doctrines is that there exists such a thing as a great, evil, archangel who has power to tempt the minds of men all over the earth at one time.

## Is "Lucifer" Really Satan?

Let's examine the word "Lucifer" now. Lucifer is mentioned in Isaiah:

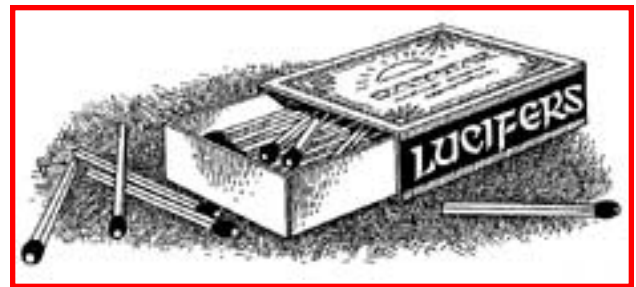
*How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! how art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations! For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north: I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High. Yet thou shalt be brought down to hell, to the sides of the pit.*

Isaiah 14:12-15

This seems to be God talking to Lucifer. In many cases, people call Satan, this great archangel, by the name of Lucifer. There are people who worship the devil and call him by the name of Lucifer. Amazingly enough, the only place you find the name Lucifer in the Bible is in this one passage you just read. Lucifer is a Latin word replacing the Hebrew word "heylel" which means "the morning star" (in the sense of brightness). Lucifer is a Latin word which means "bright" or "fire" and it is equivalent to the Greek word "phosphorus," which means "light bearer." Some older people might remember that the early matches, made with phosphorus, were called "Lucifers." You used to be able to go into the store and buy a box of "Lucifers."

*We have also a more sure word of prophecy; whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the day star arise in your hearts:*

2 Peter 1:19



The words "day star" come from the Greek word "phosphoros" which means "light-bearer" or "morning star." It can only refer to Jesus Christ, because, in Revelation 22, Jesus says:

*I Jesus have sent mine angel to testify unto you these things in the churches. I am the root and the offspring of David, and the bright and morning star.*

Revelation 22:16



The day star or the bright and morning star in the New Testament refers only to Jesus Christ. It is a title or a subtitle.

In Isaiah 14:12, if you'll look at the margin in some Bibles, there is a number by the word Lucifer and the margin reads "day star." So, Isaiah 14:12 should read: "How art thou fallen from heaven, O day star, son of the morning"!

## Isaiah 14 — The True Story

You have to understand how God is speaking to this "day star," or "Lucifer," in order to understand what He means. This whole thing is sarcasm. Let's go back to verse four, where the Lord is speaking to the prophet.

*That thou shalt take up this proverb (taunting speech) against the king of Babylon, and say, How hath the oppressor ceased! the golden city ceased!*

Isaiah 14:4

The king of Babylon is a man. He is not a god or an archangel, he is a man. The prophet was to use "taunting speech," or sarcasm, when speaking to this king of Babylon.

*The Lord hath broken the staff of the wicked, and the sceptre of the rulers. He who smote the people in wrath with a continual stroke, he that ruled the nations in anger, is persecuted, and none hindereth. The whole earth is at rest, and is quiet: they brake forth into singing. Yea, the fir trees rejoice at thee, and the cedars of Lebanon, saying, Since thou art laid down, no feller is come up against us.*

Isaiah 14:5-8

This is speaking of the destruction of the empire of Babylon. The king of

Babylon is being told that the earth will rejoice when he is destroyed.

*Hell (the grave) from beneath is moved for thee to meet thee at thy coming: it stirreth up the dead for thee, even all the chief ones of the earth; it hath raised up from their thrones all the kings of the nations. All they shall speak and say unto thee, Art thou also become weak as we? art thou become like unto us?*

Isaiah 14:9-10

The dead kings are asking this great and mighty king of Babylon if he is going to become a dead king like they are.

*Thy pomp is brought down to the grave, and the noise of thy viols: the worm is spread under thee, and the worms cover thee. How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer (day star), son of the morning! how art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations!*

Isaiah 14:11-12

What did the king of Babylon fall from? He fell from world power. Heaven does not always refer to the abode of God. It sometimes refers to world power.

*For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north: I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High.*

Isaiah 14:13-14

God is saying that this king of Babylon wants to set himself up above God. This is sarcasm or taunting. God is saying, in essence, "you think you are the day star, you think you are the Christ, you think

you are the great ruler and God of the earth.” He is talking to a man. He is not talking to some archangel at all.

*Yet thou shalt be brought down to hell (sheol or the grave), to the sides of the pit. They that see thee shall narrowly look upon thee, and consider thee, saying, Is this the man that made the earth to tremble, that did shake kingdoms:*

**Isaiah 14:15-16**

Even though Babylon ruled over all of the known world at that time, God is taunting this king and telling him that he is not a christ, he is not a great ruler. God says this king is a mortal man and he will be brought down to death and to the grave.

*That made the world as a wilderness, and destroyed the cities thereof; that opened not the house of his prisoners? All the kings of the nations, even all of them, lie in glory, every one in his own house. But thou art cast out of thy grave like an abominable branch, and as the raiment of those that are slain, thrust through with a sword, that go down to the stones of the pit; as a carcass trodden under feet. Thou shalt not be joined with them in burial, because thou hast destroyed thy land, and slain thy people: the seed of evildoers shall never be renowned. Prepare slaughter for his children for the iniquity of their fathers (this king had children); that they do not rise, nor possess the land, nor fill the face of the world with cities. For I will rise up against them, saith the Lord of hosts, and cut off from Babylon the name, and remnant, and son, and nephew, saith the Lord. I will also make it a possession for the bittern, and pools of water: and I will sweep it with the besom of destruction, saith*

*the Lord of hosts. The Lord of hosts hath sworn, saying, Surely as I have thought, so shall it come to pass; and as I have purposed, so shall it stand:*

**Isaiah 14:17-24**

If you look at the context of this prophecy, the probability is that it was fulfilled in the destruction of Belshazer, king of Babylon, when the Babylonian empire was taken over by the Medes and Persians. If you read on in Isaiah, you will find that Assyria was the next empire which was broken by God.

Again, Isaiah 14:4 is the only place in the Bible where the word “Lucifer” is used. Yet we have people who call themselves “Luciferians,” who worship a nebulous, angelic, supernatural being, which they say is their god. The truth of the matter is that the word “Lucifer” shouldn't even be in the Bible, it is an error — a mistranslation. So, what do we have? Well, we have the same thing with Lucifer that we had with “sawtan” or Satan. When we examine the Bible passages where these words are used, we are left with nothing that cannot be fulfilled by a mortal man or mortal men.

I am convinced that one of the major reasons church-going people today are not rising up in anger against the men who are defiling and destroying our nation is because ministers have convinced them to look at an archangel or a spirit-being who they say is causing all the trouble. They are taught to be angry at the devil instead of the men who are destroying us. This weapon against us is one of the most iniquitous and effective weapons the enemy has ever devised. We are made to think that our enemies are motivated by something which is supernatural when the truth of the matter is they are motivated by anger and hatred against us, and they are men.