

WEDNESDAY SERMON

Willow, Alaska

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Scripture Reading: Genesis 3:1-6

Text: Ge.3:1-5, 3:13-15; Is.27:1; Mt.4:1-11; Mk.1:12, 13; Lk.4:1-13, 22:3; Ja.4:7; 1Pe.5:8, 9; Re.20:1, 2, 10.

Subject: CONFESSION OF FAITH SERIES – Satan

22. Satan*

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○ **Satan's Names:**

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 - **Isa 27:1 (KJV)** *In that day the LORD with his sore and great and strong sword shall punish **leviathan the piercing serpent, even leviathan that crooked serpent;** and he shall slay the dragon that is in the sea.*
- **Eph 2:2 (KJV)** *Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to **the prince of the power of the air,** the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience:*
- **2Co 4:3-4 (KJV)** *But if our gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost: 4 In whom **the god of this world** hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them.*

- **Head of a the principalities of fallen angels and demonic (unclean) spirit in the world today.**
 - **Eph 6:11-12 (KJV)** *Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. 12 For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but **against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.***

- **Method of temptation – as Jesus was tempted, so was Eve in precisely the same way.**
 - **Mt 4:1-11; Mk. 1:12,13; Lk. 4:1-13. Lu 4:1-13 (KJV)** *And Jesus being full of the Holy Ghost returned from Jordan, and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness, 2 Being forty days tempted of the devil. And in those days he did eat nothing: and when they were ended, he afterward hungered. 3 And the devil said unto him, If thou be the Son of God, command this stone that it be made bread. 4 And Jesus answered him, saying, It is written, That man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word of God. 5 And the devil, taking him up into an high mountain, shewed unto him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time. 6 And the devil said unto him, **All this power will I give thee, and the glory of them: for that is delivered unto me; and to whomsoever I will I give it.** 7 If thou therefore wilt worship me, all shall be thine. 8 And Jesus answered and said unto him, Get thee behind me, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve. 9 And he brought him to*

Jerusalem, and set him on a pinnacle of the temple, and said unto him, If thou be the Son of God, cast thyself down from hence: 10 For it is written, He shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee: 11 And in their hands they shall bear thee up, lest at any time thou dash thy foot against a stone. 12 And Jesus answering said unto him, It is said, Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God. 13 And when the devil had ended all the temptation, he departed from him for a season.

- **1Jo 2:16 (KJV)** *For all that is in the world, the **lust of the flesh**, and the **lust of the eyes**, and the **pride of life**, is not of the Father, but is of the world.*
- **Temptation of Eve in the Garden of Eden.**
 - **Ge 3:1-5 (KJV)** *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? 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. 4 And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die: 5 For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil.*
 - **Ge 3:6 (KJV)** *And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of*

the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat.

- **Ge 3:13-15 (KJV)** *And the LORD God said unto the woman, What is this that thou hast done? And the woman said, The serpent beguiled me, and I did eat. 14 And the LORD God said unto the serpent, Because thou hast done this, thou art cursed above all cattle, and above every beast of the field; upon thy belly shalt thou go, and dust shalt thou eat all the days of thy life: 15 And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.*

- **Satan deceived Eve by guile from without, but He can, and does enter in and possess persons as he did, Judas.**
 - **Lu 22:3 (KJV)** **Then entered Satan into Judas** *surnamed Iscariot, being of the number of the twelve.*
- **We have numerous accounts of persons possessed of devils (demons) and unclean spirits in the New Testament.**
 - I will not, this evening, address all these instances because they are not in the scope of this article of faith. Suffice us to say that these inferior devils are many and are used of the Devil to try and destroy people. Our LORD had power over these demons to cast them out – as he did cast out seven from Mary Magdalene.

- **As God’s dear children, we are taught to resist the Devil stedfast in the faith.**
 - **Jas 4:7 (KJV)** *Submit yourselves therefore to God. **Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.***
 - **1Pe 5:8-9 (KJV)** *Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour: 9 **Whom resist stedfast in the faith,** knowing that the same afflictions are accomplished in your brethren that are in the world.*

- **Pentecostals and other unlearned persons teach that we should rebuke the Devil. Ah, brothers and sisters, we dare not do it.**
 - **Jude 8-9 (KJV)** *Likewise also these filthy dreamers defile the flesh, despise dominion, and speak evil of dignities. 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.***

- **Satan’s work was destroyed at the crucifixion of Christ; yet he still remains in the world doing his awful work until his determined end comes on him.**
 - **Heb 2:14 (KJV)** *Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself likewise took part of the same; **that through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is,***

the devil;

1Jo 3:8 (KJV) *He that committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil.*

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 - **Re 20:7-10 (KJV)** *And when the thousand years are expired, Satan shall be loosed out of his prison, **8** And shall go out to deceive the nations which are in the four quarters of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together to battle: the number of whom is as the sand of the sea. **9** And they went up on the breadth of the earth, and compassed the camp of the saints about, and the beloved city: and fire came down from God out of heaven, and devoured them. **10** And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and*

brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever.

We have seen the Satan, the dragon, that old serpent, and the devil has been on earth doing his work against God and man since the creation of Adam and Eve. As he accused Job before God, even so, at this present time he accuses us before the Father. Thanks be to God that we have, at the right hand of the Father, our great high priest and intercessor, Jesus Christ, who ever lives to intercede for us. The day is coming very soon, dear brothers and sisters, that Satan shall no longer have access to heaven – nor shall he ever accuse us before God again.

Re 12:7-11 (KJV) *And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels, 8 And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven. 9 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. 10 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. 11 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.*

Lest ye doubt, these things are written among those things in the Revelation which “must be hereafter.”