

DEMONOLOGY



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Preview of Angelology

1. Good angels
2. Satanology
3. **Demonology**
4. Gen. 6:1-4 controversy



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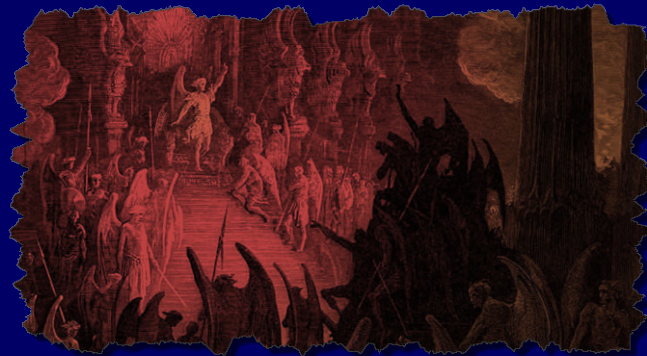
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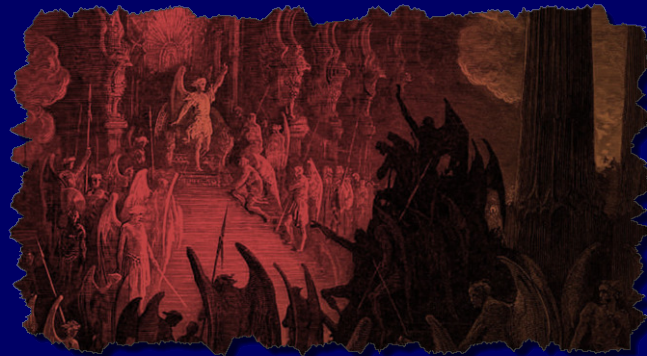
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Existence

■ OT

- ◆ Deut 32:17
- ◆ Ps 106:37

■ NT

- ◆ Over 100x
- ◆ All NT writers (except Hebrews)
- ◆ Christ (Matt 8:29; 10:1; 12:43-45)



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Origin

Demons

Fallen Angels

Satan is leader

Matt 12:24

**Matt 25:41; Rev
12:7-9**

Spirit beings

Matt 8:16

Heb 1:14

**Capacity to
enter people**

**Matt 12:22;
Luke 11:14-15**

John 13:27

Origin

- Two classes
 - ◆ Free (Eph 6:12)
 - ◆ Confined (1 Pet 3:19-20; 2 Pet 2:4; Jude 6; Rev. 9:1-12)
- No plan of salvation
 - ◆ Confirmed in wickedness
 - ◆ Matt 8:29; 25:41; Jas 2:19



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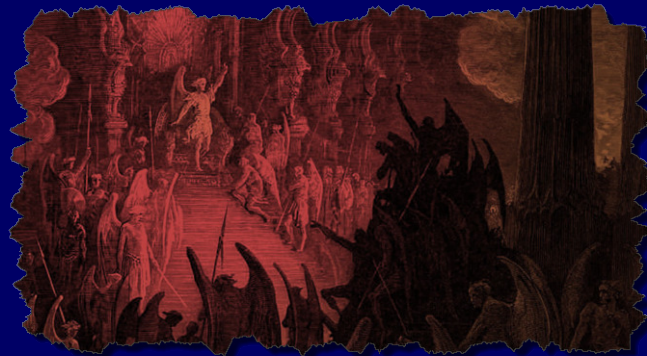
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Personhood

- Attributes of personhood
 - ◆ Intellect – Acts 19:15
 - ◆ Emotions – Luke 8:28; Jas 2:19
 - ◆ Will – Luke 8:32
 - ◆ Personal pronouns – Mark 1:24-25



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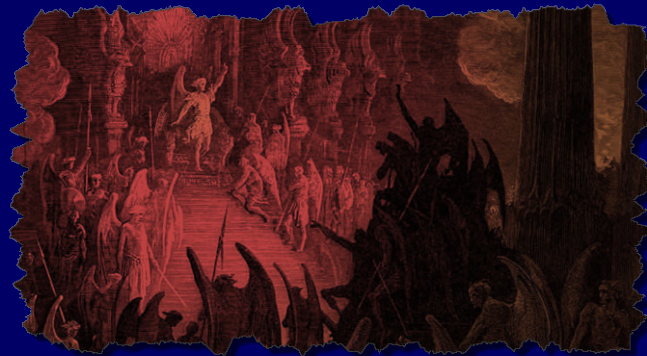
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Characteristics

- Spirits-Matt 8:16; Eph 6:12
- Corrupt
 - ◆ Unclean – Matt 10:1
 - ◆ Evil – Luke 7:21
 - ◆ Rulers of darkness in spiritual wickedness – Eph 6:12
 - ◆ Degrees of wickedness – Matt 12:45



Characteristics (cont'd)

■ Manifestation

- ◆ Invisible
- ◆ Prophetic events = ugly/hideous (Rev 9:7-10; 16:13-16)



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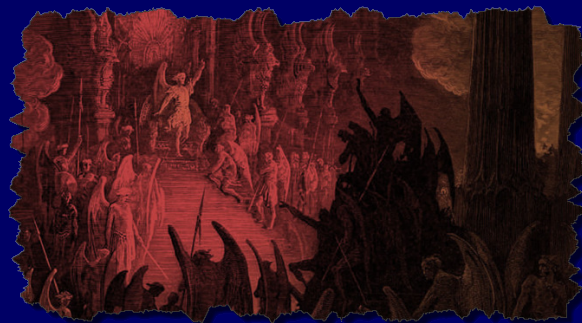
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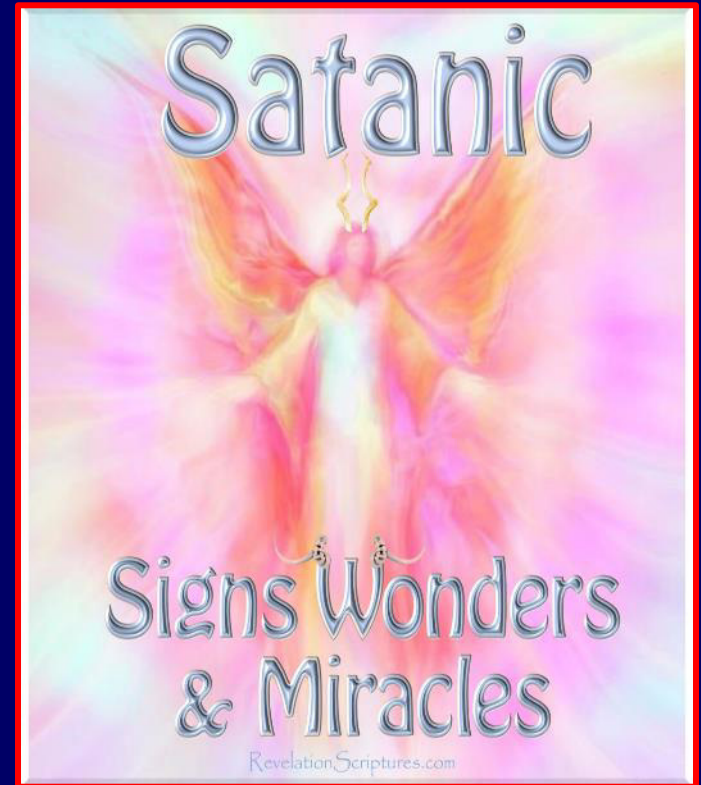
Powers

- Great strength (Mark 5:3-4; Acts 19:16) but not omnipotent (Dan 10:13)
- Superhuman intelligence (2 Sam. 14:20; Luke 8:28; 20:35-36) but not omniscient (Acts 19:15)
- Not confined by physical space or barriers (Mark 5:9) but not omnipresent (Mark 5:12)



Satanic/Demonic Miracles

1. Exod. 7–8
2. Deut. 13:1-3
3. Job 1:12-19; 2:7-8
4. 1 Sam. 28?
5. Matt. 7:21-23; 24:24
6. Acts 8:9; 16:16
7. Gal. 1:6-9
8. 2 Thess. 2:9
9. Rev. 13:3, 13, 15; 16:13-14



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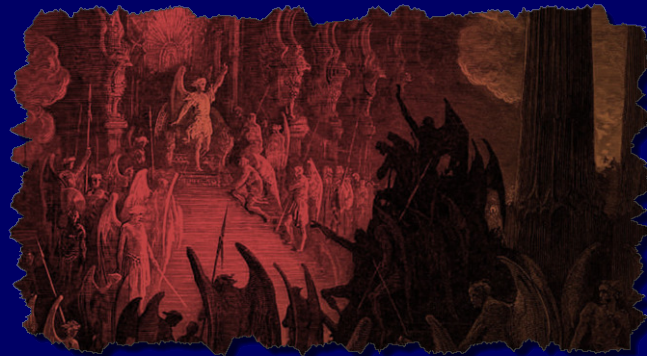
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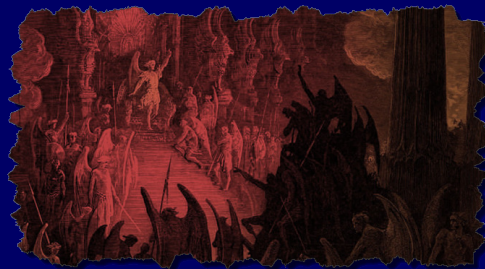
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Works

■ General

- ◆ Satan's lack of omnipresence (Job 1:7; 2:2) forces him to work through demons (Matt 12:24; 25:41; Rev 12:7; 2 Cor 12:7)
- ◆ Work in harmony with one another (Eph 6:11-12)
- ◆ Influence human government (Dan 10:13, 20)
- ◆ Promote false religion (1 Cor 10:20; 1 Tim 4:1)



Works (cont'd)

■ General

- ◆ Afflict the mind (Mark 5:3, 5)
- ◆ Afflict the body (Matt 12:22; Mark 9:22; Luke 13:11, 16)
- ◆ Hinder believers' prayers (Dan 10:12-20)



Not all Physical Infirmities are Attributable to Satan/Demon (works cont'd)

- Matt 8:5-13
- Matt 9:19-20, 27-30
- Matt 12:9-14
- Matt 14:35-36



Romans 8:19-23

¹⁹ For the anxious longing of the creation waits eagerly for the revealing of the sons of God. ²⁰ For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of Him who subjected it, in hope ²¹ that the creation itself also will be set free from its slavery to corruption into the freedom of the glory of the children of God. ²² For we know that the whole creation groans and suffers the pains of childbirth . . .



Romans 8:19-23 (cont'd)

...together until now.²³ And not only this, but also we ourselves, having the first fruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting eagerly for our adoption as sons, the redemption of our body.



Occult Works

NAME

DEFINITION

SCRIPTURE

Divination

Fortune telling

Deut 18:10; Acts 16:16

Spiritism

Contacting the dead

Deut 18:11

Magic

**Performance of
miraculous powers**

Deut 18:11

Pharamkeia

Illicit drug use

Rev 9:20-21; 18:2, 23

Revelation 9:20-21

“The rest of mankind, who were not killed by these plagues, did not repent of the works of their hands, so as not to worship demons, and the idols of gold and of silver and of brass and of stone and of wood, which can neither see nor hear nor walk; ²¹ and they did not repent of their murders nor of their sorceries (pharmakeia) nor of their immorality nor of their thefts.”



OT Descriptions of Babylon in Rev 17–18

	Revelation 17–18	Old Testament
Waters	17:1	Psalm 137:1
Babylon the Great	17:5	Daniel 4:30
Mother harlots	17:5	Genesis 11:1-9
Fallen, fallen is Babylon	18:2	Isaiah 21:9
Will not see widowhood	18:7	Isaiah 47:7-9
Colorful attire	17:4; 18:16	Daniel 5:7, 16, 29
<u>Sorcery</u>	<u>18:23</u>	<u>Isaiah 47:9-13</u>
Destroyed in a day	18:8, 10	Daniel 5:30

Acts 19:19

“And many of those who practiced magic brought their books together and *began* burning them in the sight of everyone; and they counted up the price of them and found it fifty thousand pieces of silver.”





Charles Ryrie

The Ryrie Study Bible

“19:19 *Magic*. Magical spells written on scrolls. Fifty thousand pieces of silver. If the silver drachma is meant, the value would have been the equivalent of about 138 years’ pay for a rural worker.”





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