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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5. Powers

2. Origin

6. Works

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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	Matt 12:22;	John 13:27

Luke 11:14-15

enter people

Origin (cont'd)

- 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



Origin (cont'd)

"Because the angels are a company and not a race, they sinned *individually*, and not in some federal head of the race [as was true with humanity's fall in the person of Adam]. It may be that because of this that God made no provision of salvation for the fallen angels."



Thiessen, *Lectures in ST*, 134 (emphasis and insertion added)

Human vs. Angelic Accountability

Humans Angels

Sinned as a class (Rom 5:12) Sinned individually

Sin nature No sin nature

Did not stand in God's glory Stood in God's glory

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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-Mrk 1:24-25



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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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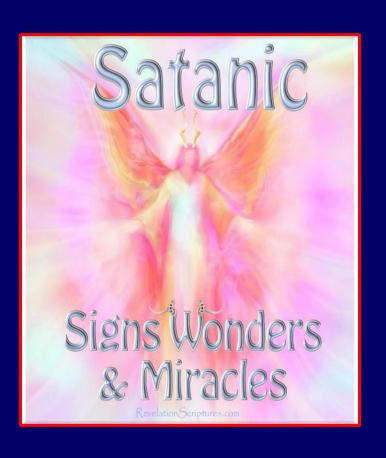
Powers

- 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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