

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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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

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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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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



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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)



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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)



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

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Matt 8:28-34; Mark 5:1-20; 9:17-29; Luke 8:26-39

<u>MANIFESTATION</u>	<u>VERSES</u>	<u>MANIFESTATION</u>	<u>VERSES</u>
Strength	5:2-4	Insight	5:5
Withdrawn	5:2	Voice alterations	5:7
Rage	5:5	Seizures & mouth foaming	Mark 9:18
Split personality	5:6-7	Uncleanness	Luke 8:27
Resistance against spiritual things	5:7	Suicidal tendencies	5:5

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John 14:16-17

¹⁶ I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may be with you **forever**; ¹⁷ *that is **the Spirit** of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it does not see Him or know Him, *but you know Him because He abides with you and will be **in you**.**



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Ephesians 1:3

“Blessed *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ.”



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■ **Oppression? Yes!**

- ◆ 1 Chr 21:1; Luke 13:11, 16; Matt 16:23; Acts 5:3-4; 2 Cor 12:7; Eph 6:12
- ◆ Temporary
- ◆ Not loss of salvation
- ◆ Sometimes the believer opens the door to oppression (Eph 4:26-27)

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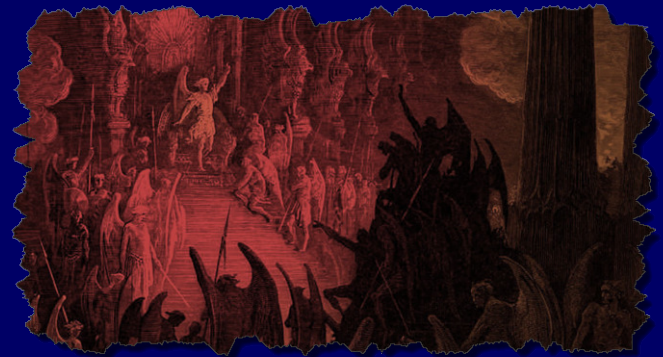
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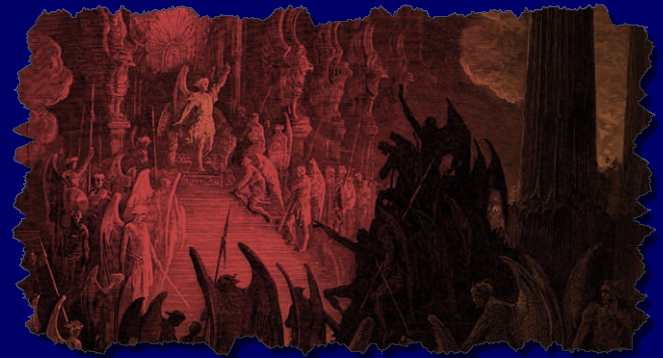
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2 Thessalonians 2:6-7

“⁶ And you know what restrains him now, so that in his time he will be revealed. ⁷ For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work; only he who now restrains will do so until he is taken out of the way.”

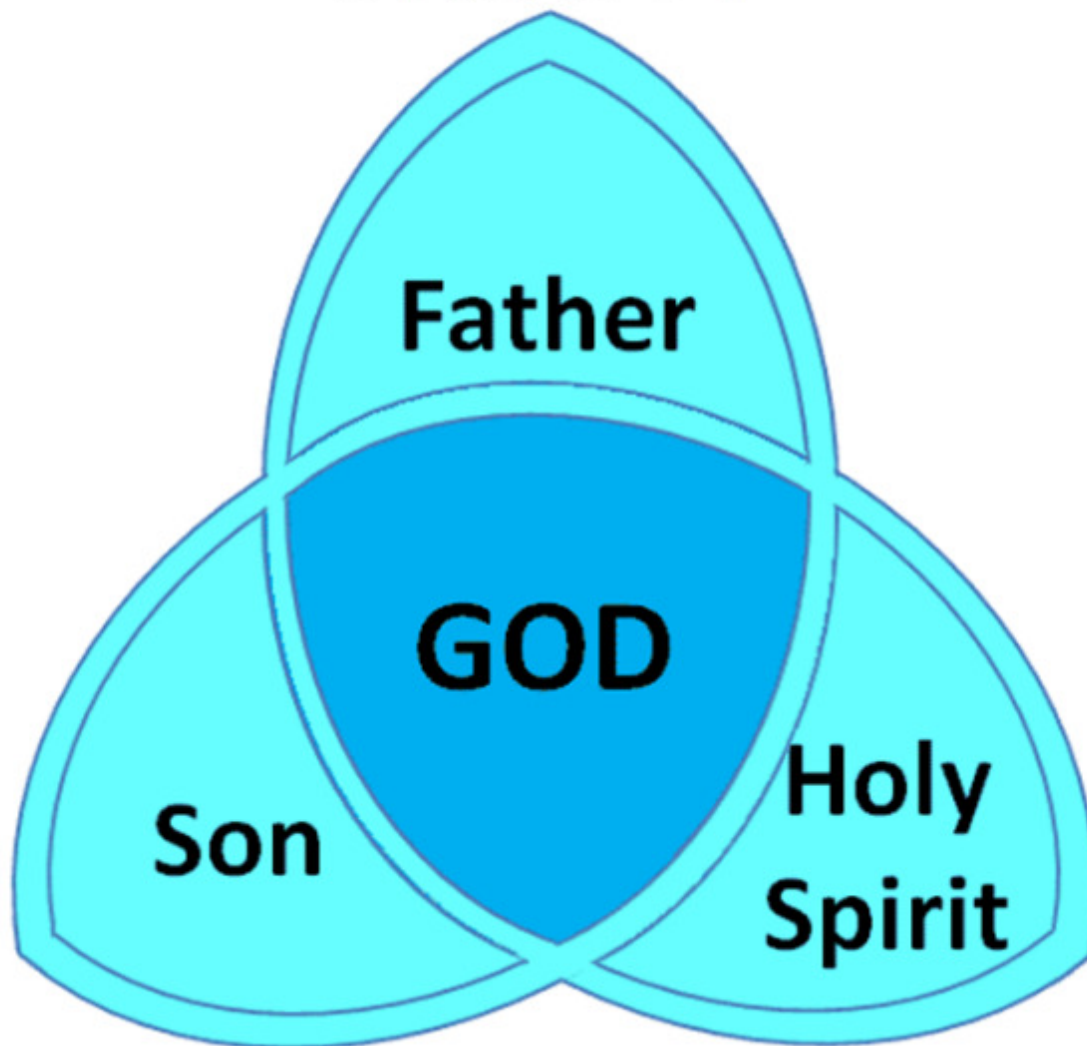


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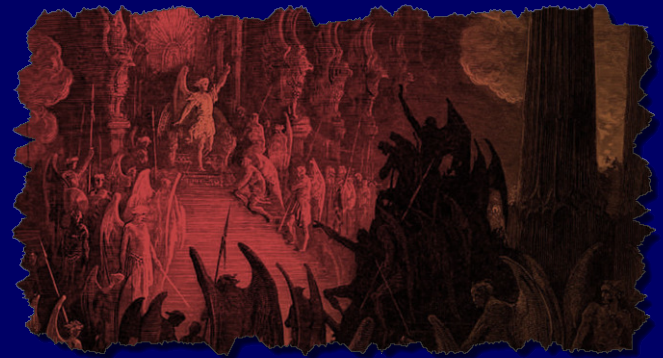
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Revelation 20:1-3

“¹ Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven, holding the key of the abyss and a great chain in his hand. ² And he laid hold of the dragon, the serpent of old, who is the devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years; ³ and he threw him into the abyss, and shut it and sealed it over him, so that he would not deceive the nations any longer, until the thousand years were completed; after these things he must be released for a short time.”



Revelation 20:10

“And the devil who deceived them was thrown into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are also; and they will be tormented day and night forever and ever.”





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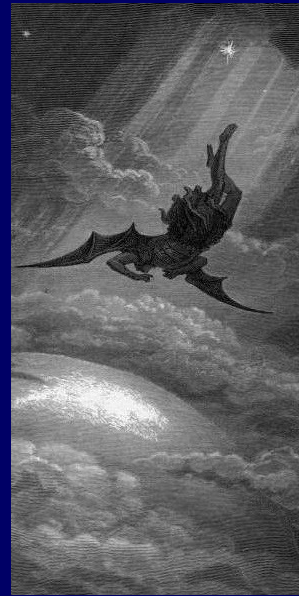
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Revelation 11:15

“Then the seventh angel sounded; and there were loud voices in heaven, saying, ‘The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ; and He will reign forever and ever.’”



Ultimate Exodus

(Rev 11:15)

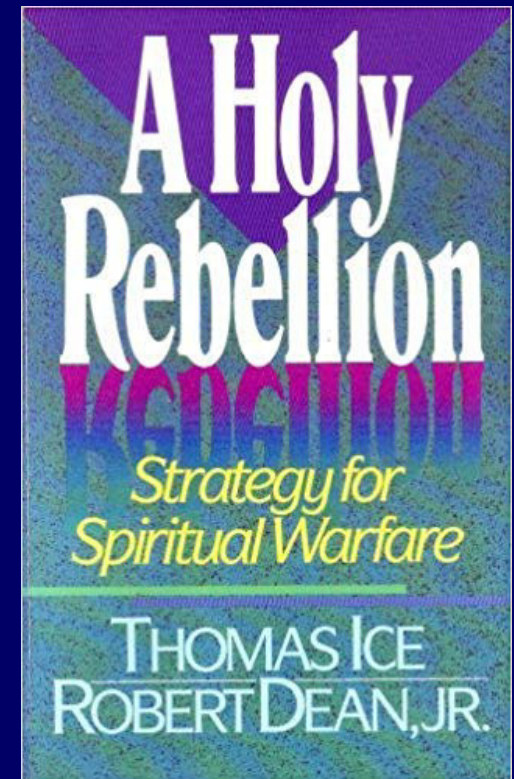
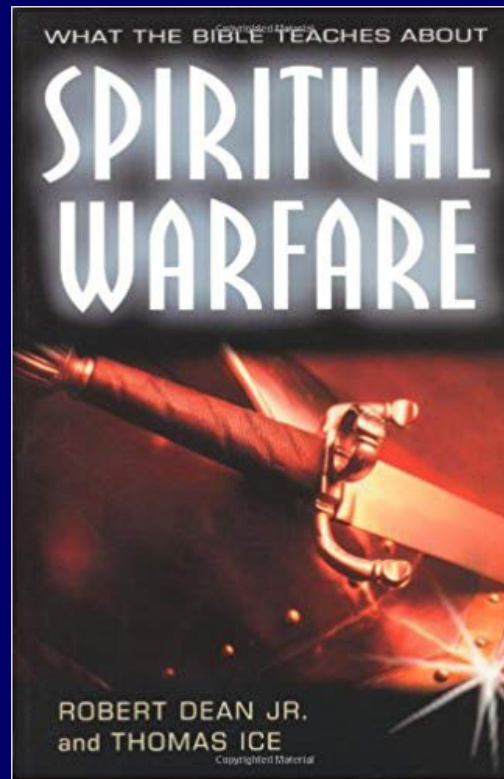
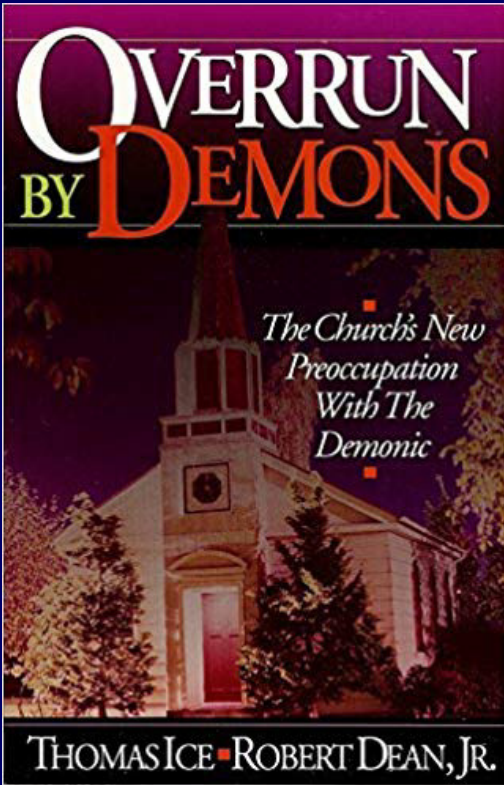
Sores	6th plague (Ex 9:8-12)	1st bowl (Rev 16:1-2)
Rivers to blood	1st plague (Ex 7:19-21)	3rd bowl (Rev 16:4-7)
Darkness	9th plague (Ex 10:21-23)	5th bowl (Rev 16:10-11)
Frogs	2nd plague (Ex 7:25–8:15)	6th bowl (Rev 16:13)
Hail	7th plague (Ex 9:22-26)	7th bowl (Rev 16:17-21)

Names & Titles Demonstrating Satan's Post-Fall, Earthly Authority

(Job 1:7; 2:2; Luke 4:5-8; Rom. 8:19-22)



- Prince of this world (John 12:31; 14:30; 16:11)
- God of this age (2 Cor. 4:4)
- Prince and power of the air (Eph. 2:2)
- Who the believer wrestles with (Eph. 6:12)
- Roaring lion (1 Pet. 5:8)
- Whole world lies in his power (1 John 5:19)



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