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WHO IS SATAN?

誰是撒旦?

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A. HOW SATAN CAME TO BE...

撒旦是怎麼來的...

1. What we DO know:

我們所知道的:

a. Scripture tells us that God created all things.

聖經告訴我們,神創造了萬物。

"In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth." (Genesis 1:1)

「起初,神創造天地。」(創世記1:1)

- b. Scripture tells us that God created <u>all things</u> "<u>very good</u>." *(Genesis 1:31)* 聖經告訴我們,神創造了"非常好的"萬物。(創世記 1:31)
- c. Satan is a <u>real</u>, nonphysical, <u>created being</u> who chose to turn his back on God.

撒旦是一個選擇背棄神的真實的、沒有形體的受造之物。

"And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one." (Matthew 6:13)

「不叫我們遇見試探;救我們脫離兇惡。」 (馬太福音 6:13)

"The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy..." (John 10:10)

「盜賊來,無非要偷竊,殺害,毀壞……」 (約翰福音 10:10)

- i. The term "Satan" literally means "<u>adversary</u>." "撒旦"一詞的字面意思是"<u>對手</u>"。
- ii. Other terms referring to this evil being:

其他用來表示這個邪惡存在的詞語:

The "devil" (Job 1-2); "evil one" (Matt 6:13); "tempter" (1 Thess. 3:5); "accuser" (Rev 12:10); "the father of lies" (John 8:44b).

「魔鬼」(約伯記第1-2章);「惡人」(馬太福音6:13);「誘惑者」(帖撒羅尼迦前書3:5);「控告者」(啟示錄12:10);「謊言之父」(約翰福音8:44b).

"Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. Resist him..." (1 Peter 5:8-9)

「務要謹守,警醒。因為你們的仇敵魔鬼,如同吼叫的獅子,遍地遊行,尋找可吞吃的 人。你們要用堅固的信心抵擋他。……」(彼得前書 5:8-9)

AGE TO COME 即將到來的時代

THE "ALREADY AND NOT YET" 「已經和尚未」

THIS AGE 這個時代

B. HOW SATAN WORKS...

撒但如何工作...

1. Satan lies.

撒旦說謊。

"When he lies, he speaks his native language, for he is a liar and the father of lies."
(John 8:44b)

「他說謊是出於自己;因他本來是說謊的,也是說謊之人的父。」 (約翰福音 8:44b)

"You are free to eat from any tree in the garden; but you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for when you eat from it you will certainly die." (Genesis 2:16-17)

「耶和華神吩咐他說,園中各樣樹上的果子,你可以隨意吃,只是分別善惡樹上的果子,你不可吃,因為你吃的日子必定死。」

(創世記 2:16-17)

Now the serpent was more crafty than any of the wild animals the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God really say, 'You must not eat from any tree in the garden'?" (Genesis 3:1)

耶和華神所造的,惟有蛇比田野一切的活物更狡猾。蛇對女人說:「神豈是真說不許你們 吃園中所有樹上的果子麼?」

(創世記 3:1)

"You will not certainly die," the serpent said to the woman. "For God knows that when you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil."

(Genesis 3:4-5)

蛇對女人說:「你們不一定死,因為神知道,你們吃的日子眼睛就明亮了,你們便如神能 知道善惡。」(創世記 3:4-5)

2. Satan's Strategy:

撒旦的策略:

- a. He <u>isolates</u> you from others. 他孤立你。
- b. He <u>distorts</u> the <u>truth</u>. 他歪曲事實。
- c. He <u>seeks destruction</u>. 他尋求毀滅。

Today's 'Big Idea'... 今日主旨...

A Christ-follower must be <u>aware of</u> Satan, not <u>afraid of</u> Satan.

基督的跟隨者必須意識到撒旦,而不是害怕撒旦。

Discussion questions 問題討論:

- What lies has Satan told you? 撒旦對你說了什麼謊言?
- 3. What are some misconceptions about Satan you have heard? 你聽說過關於撒旦的哪些誤解?
- 4. Discuss the "already and not yet" tension in our world and community. 討論一下在我們的世界和社區中的「已經和尚未」的張力。