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## Related Verses

### Isa. 14:12-14

- 12 How you have fallen from heaven, O Daystar, son of the dawn! How you have been hewn down to earth, You who made nations fall prostrate!
- 13 But you, you said in your heart: I will ascend to heaven; Above the stars of God I will exalt my throne. And I will sit upon the mount of assembly In the uttermost parts of the north.
- **14** I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will make myself like the Most High.

## 1 Peter 5:5-6, 8-9

- **5** In like manner, younger men, be subject to elders; and all of you gird yourselves with humility toward one another, because God resists the proud but gives grace to the humble.
- **6** Therefore be humbled under the mighty hand of God that He may exalt you in due time,
- **8** Be sober; watch. Your adversary, the devil, as a roaring lion, walks about, seeking someone to devour.
- **9** Him withstand, being firm in your faith, knowing that the same sufferings are being accomplished among your brotherhood in the world.

## Phil. 2:5-8 (7-8)

- 5 Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus, 6 Who, existing in the form of God, did not consider being equal with God a treasure to be grasped,
- 7 But emptied Himself, taking the form of a slave, becoming in the likeness of men;
- **8** And being found in fashion as a man, He humbled Himself, becoming obedient even unto death, and that the death of a cross.

## **Suggested Reading**

Just as the Bible speaks about God and man, it also speaks about Satan. We should not forget that immediately after man was created, God put him in front of two trees: one was the tree of life, and the other was the tree of the knowledge of good and evil....The tree of life denotes God and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil denotes Satan....The entire Bible is a record of the things concerning these three characters: [God, Satan, and man].

Therefore, in reading the Bible, we should not only know the things concerning God and the things concerning man, we should also know the things concerning Satan. If we have a good grasp concerning these three lines—the line of God, the line of man, and the line of Satan—the Bible will become crystal clear to us. (*CWWL*, 1959, vol. 3, "Ten Lines in the Bible," p. 521)

Satan's origin was wonderful....He had not only the kingship, but also the priesthood, the very position that we, God's redeemed people, have forever (Rev. 5:9-10; 20:4-6). But he was deprived of his position and offices when he rebelled against God. Now God has chosen us to be His priests and kings, to take over Satan's position and offices, to put him to shame, and to glorify God.

Satan rebelled against God because of pride in his heart. Ezekiel 28:17 says that his heart was lifted up because of his beauty, that he corrupted his wisdom by reason of his brightness. He was "full of wisdom and perfect in beauty"; he "sealed up perfection" (Ezek. 28:12), meaning that he had the full measure of completeness and was short of nothing. But he gazed on his beauty and was proud. He looked at his brightness and became corrupted. To look at what God has made us and forget God Himself always tempts us to be proud. Pride was the cause of Satan's rebellion. So, the apostle would never allow "a new convert" to be an elder in the church, "lest being blinded with pride he fall into the judgment suffered by the devil" (1 Tim. 3:6). All the natural virtues and attributes, and all the spiritual gifts can be utilized by the devil to make us proud. Even the apostle Paul could be "exceedingly lifted up" by the "transcendence of the revelations" (2 Cor. 12:7). The proud devil is still prowling about on the earth, seeking the proud ones whom he may devour (1 Pet. 5:8). The only way to "withstand" him is to "humble" ourselves, to gird ourselves with humility because "God resists the proud but gives grace to the humble" (1 Pet. 5:9, 5-6). The Lord Jesus is a good example in this matter. Satan exalted himself, but the Lord Jesus "humbled Himself" (Phil. 2:8). Thus, the Lord overcame Satan, and Satan had nothing in Him (John 14:30).

The purpose of Satan's rebellion was to exalt himself to be equal with God. In Isaiah 14:13-14 we find that five times Satan said "I will," at the time of his rebellion....Satan wanted to be equal with God. That was

the purpose of his rebellion against God. Ambition for position was the motivation of every rebellion recorded in the Bible. The rebellion at Babel (Gen. 11:4), the rebellion of Dathan, Abiram, and the two hundred and fifty princes of the Israelites (Num. 16:1-3), and the rebellion of Absalom (2 Sam. 15:10-12) were all because of the evil ambition for position. But the Lord Jesus "emptied Himself, taking the form of a slave....Therefore also God highly exalted Him and bestowed on Him the name which is above every name" (Phil. 2:7, 9). (*Life-study of Genesis*, pp. 16-17)

Further Reading: CWWL, 1959, vol. 3, "Ten Lines in the Bible," ch. 10; CWWL, 1932-1949, vol. 4, "Crucial Truths in the Holy Scriptures, Volume 6," ch. 53

**Further Reading:** HWMR Crystallization-Study of Job Proverbs Ecclesiastes - Week 2, Day 1

Corporate Reading of "The Basic Revelation in the Holy Scriptures" Chapter 4 – Sections: Sanctified Positionally; Justified; Reconciled to God; Regenerated

## Tuesday 3/16

### Related Verses

#### Job 2:4-7

- **4** Then Satan answered Jehovah and said, Skin for skin! Indeed all that a man has he will give for the sake of his life.
- **5** But stretch forth Your hand, and touch his bone and his flesh; and he will surely curse You to Your face.
- **6** And Jehovah said to Satan, Here he is, in your hand; only spare his life.
- 7 And Satan went forth from Jehovah's presence and struck Job with severe boils from the sole of his foot to the crown of his head.

## Job 1:6-8

- **6** Then one day, when the sons of God came to present themselves before Jehovah, Satan also came among them.
- 7 And Jehovah said to Satan, Where have you come from? And Satan answered Jehovah and said, From roving the earth and going about in it.
- **8** And Jehovah said to Satan, Have you considered My servant Job? For there is none like him on the earth, a

perfect and upright man, who fears God and turns away from evil.

#### Luke 22:31-32

- **31** Simon, Simon, behold, Satan has asked to have you all to sift you as wheat.
- 32 But I have made petition concerning you that your faith would not fail; and you, once you have turned again, establish your brothers.

### Suggested Reading

In Isaiah 14:15 and Ezekiel 28:16-17 Satan was condemned by God and even sentenced by God. Yet in His wisdom and sovereignty God did not execute His judgment over Satan. He still has given Satan a certain limited time so that he can do something to meet some negative need in the fulfillment of God's economy....Without Satan, there would have been no one to do the ugly work of damaging Job in order to strip him of everything that he might be full of God. (*Life-study of Job*, p. 11)

There was the need for someone to damage Job, not to judge him but to strip him of everything. Job had been laboring under God's blessing for many years and he had accumulated many things. He had seven thousand sheep, three thousand camels, five hundred yoke of oxen, five hundred female donkeys, and a great many servants. He had a dear wife and seven sons and three daughters. Moreover, Job was very successful in being perfect and upright and in holding to his integrity. His possessions, success, and attainment made him a contented and satisfied person. Although Job was full of possessions and full of his attainment, he did not have God within him. As God looked upon Job, He might have said, "Job, what shall I do with you? You are full of your possessions and your attainment, but you are not full of Me. You have Me in name, but you do not have Me within you." Thus, for God's dealing with Job, Satan was needed. Satan was the unique one in the universe who could and who would fulfill God's intention of stripping Job of his possessions and his ethical attainment.

"Jehovah said to Satan, Have you considered My servant Job? For there is none like him on the earth, a perfect and upright man, who fears God and turns away from evil" (Job 1:8). Here God was boasting to Satan

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regarding Job. If we read this carefully, we will see that God's boasting here was with the intention that Satan would do something for Him.

Satan answered Jehovah, asking Him, "Does Job fear God without cause? Have You not set a hedge around him and his household and all that he has? You have blessed the work of his hands, so that his possessions are spread throughout the land" (vv. 9-10). God had set a hedge around Job, and He had blessed the work of his hands. In verse 11 Satan went on to say, "But stretch forth Your hand and touch all that he has, and he will surely curse You to Your face."

"Jehovah said to Satan, Here is all that he has, in your hand; only do not stretch forth your hand against him" (v. 12a). We should not think that God was caught by Satan, for Satan was caught by God to do something for Him—to strip Job for God. Satan, an evil angel, was willing to do what none of the good angels was willing to do, and he immediately accepted God's commission.

Satan's evil concept concerning God's dealing with His seeking people is based on his commercial principle of gain or loss. Satan is a businessman, a merchant, and his thought is according to his commercial principle. He does not know that God's purpose in dealing with those who love Him, even in the way of loss, is that they may gain Him to the fullest extent, more than the loss of all that they have other than Him, that He might be expressed through them for the fulfillment of the purpose in His creation of man (Gen. 1:26). (*Life-study of Job*, pp. 11-13)

Further Reading: Life-study of Job, msgs. 2-3; CWWL, 1950-1951, vol. 2, "Redemption in God's Plan," ch. 3; CWWN, vol. 44, ch. 90; CWWN, vol. 50, "Messages for Building Up New Believers (3)," ch. 50

**Further Reading:** HWMR Crystallization-Study of Job Proverbs Ecclesiastes - Week 2, Day 2

Corporate Reading of "The Basic Revelation in the Holy Scriptures" Chapter 4 – Sections: Baptized; Into the Name of the Father, the Son, and the Spirit; In the Spirit into the Body of Christ

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## Wednesday 3/17

## Related Verses

#### 1 John 3:8

**8** He who practices sin is of the devil, because the devil has sinned from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil.

### Heb. 2:14-16

- 14 Since therefore the children have shared in blood and flesh, He also Himself in like manner partook of the same, that through death He might destroy him who has the might of death, that is, the devil,
- **15** And might release those who because of the fear of death through all their life were held in slavery.
- **16** For assuredly it is not to angels that He gives help, but He gives help to the seed of Abraham.

## Col. 2:6-7, 14-15

- **6** As therefore you have received the Christ, Jesus the Lord, walk in Him,
- 7 Having been rooted and being built up in Him, and being established in the faith even as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.
- 14 Wiping out the handwriting in ordinances, which was against us, which was contrary to us; and He has taken it out of the way, nailing it to the cross.
- **15** Stripping off the rulers and the authorities, He made a display of them openly, triumphing over them in it.

#### John 12:31

**31** Now is the judgment of this world; now shall the ruler of this world be cast out.

## **Suggested Reading**

Other than our Lord Jesus Christ, no one is an overcomer. "The Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil" (1 John 3:8). "He [the seed of the woman] will bruise you [the serpent, Satan] on the head" (Gen. 3:15). Christ is the Victor. He is the One who has destroyed the works of the devil and the One who has bruised the serpent's head. Christ has overcome. If we acknowledge this fact continually and join ourselves to Christ, we will overcome continually. Satan is the most afraid of our continually speaking this word of our testimony (Rev. 12:11), acknowledging Christ as the

Overcomer. Such a word of testimony will drive Satan away. Christ has overcome. Hallelujah! Praise the Lord! (See Mark 1:24, 27; 3:11.) (*CWWN*, vol. 1, p. 99)

The cross at Golgotha is the place where Satan and his power is defeated. The victory at Golgotha is still effective today. "Stripping off the rulers and the authorities, He made a display of them openly, triumphing over them in it [the cross]" (Col. 2:15). "Through death He might destroy him who has the might of death, that is, the devil" (Heb. 2:14). Man may consider the Lord Jesus' crucifixion as His failure, yet that was the very place of His victory. In the world, there is no way to determine the victor before the two armies have engaged one another and fought the battle. The Lord was crucified on the cross, and He resurrected from the dead. He went into death, fought with death, overcame the power of death, and then emerged victorious over everything. It would be impossible to say that the Lord has overcome Satan if He had not died and resurrected. This is why the Lord had to die—to fight with Satan, he who has the might of death, and overcome him. The Lord's resurrection is the proof of His victory. When Christ was advancing toward Golgotha, He said, "Now is the judgment of this world; now shall the ruler of this world be cast out" (John 12:31). Satan was defeated at Golgotha. All those who want to fight against Satan elsewhere are destined to fail. Other than at Golgotha, Satan is always victorious. He was defeated only at Golgotha, and he was defeated at Golgotha forever. Hence, all those who are joined to the Lamb of Golgotha, who stand on the basis of His victory at Golgotha, not attempting to gain another new victory but expressing the one unique victory in the present battle, will overcome. Defeat comes when one trusts in the self, but victory comes when one stands on the ground of Golgotha. Golgotha is the place of victory! Golgotha is our home! What can cause us to fear?

We are the Lord's messengers declaring the victory at Golgotha and Christ as the Victor. "To whom I send you,...to turn them...from the authority of Satan to God" (Acts 26:17-18). The victory at Golgotha is still effective today; Jesus the Savior is still the Victor. Satan is still the defeated one; he is powerless toward us. Hence, we all must turn away from the authority of Satan to God.

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Christ is the Overcomer. When we are in Christ and are joined to Him, we will also be the overcomers. We can overcome every day because the Lord has said, "Behold, I have given you the authority to tread upon serpents and scorpions and over all the power of the enemy....The spirits are subject to you" (Luke 10:19-20). "In My name they will cast out demons" (Mark 16:17; cf. Acts 16:18; 19:15). Apart from the Lord, we can do nothing. We should abide in the Lord all the time. If we do everything in the Lord's name, Satan will be defeated continually. (*CWWN*, vol. 1, pp. 100-101)

Further Reading: CWWL, 1972, vol. 2, "The Kingdom," ch. 8; Life-study of Matthew, msg. 11; Life-study of John, msg. 26; Life-study of Acts, msg. 10; Life-study of Colossians, msg. 23; CWWL, 1984, vol. 3, "The Divine Economy," ch. 7

**Further Reading:** HWMR Crystallization-Study of Job Proverbs Ecclesiastes - Week 2, Day 3

Corporate Reading of "The Basic Revelation in the Holy Scriptures" Chapter 4 – Sections: Indwelt By The Spirit And Drinking The Spirit; Living And Walking In The Mingled Spirit

## Thursday 3/18

## **Related Verses**

## Eph. 6:12

12 For our wrestling is not against blood and flesh but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the world-rulers of this darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenlies.

#### 1 John 5:18

18 We know that everyone who is begotten of God does not sin, but he who has been begotten of God keeps himself, and the evil one does not touch him.

#### 2 Tim. 4:22

22 The Lord be with your spirit. Grace be with you.

### 2 Cor. 2:11

11 That we may not be taken advantage of by Satan, for we are not ignorant of his schemes.

## Eph. 6:10-11, 13-16, 18

10 Finally, be empowered in the Lord and in the might of His strength.

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- 11 Put on the whole armor of God that you may be able to stand against the stratagems of the devil,
- 13 Therefore take up the whole armor of God that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.
- **14** Stand therefore, having girded your loins with truth and having put on the breastplate of righteousness
- 15 And having shod your feet with the firm foundation of the gospel of peace;
- 16 Besides all these, having taken up the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming darts of the evil one.
- 18 By means of all prayer and petition, praying at every time in spirit and watching unto this in all perseverance and petition concerning all the saints,

### Suggested Reading

The devil uses not only crafty ways in his work but also stratagems. His stratagems are always varied. We need the whole armor of God to stand against them. He can use all kinds of persons, things, and matters as his stratagems to trap us. He can also devise stratagems to deceive us and distract us from our true status before God, our true obtainments from God, our true service to God, our true love for God, and our true enjoyment of God. All his stratagems involve some element of truth being mixed with false and evil things; therefore, it is difficult to discern and recognize his stratagems. We need to be watchful and to pray, asking God to expose the devil's stratagems so that we would not be ignorant of his stratagems. (*CWWL*, 1932-1949, vol. 4, "Crucial Truths in the Holy Scriptures, Volume 6," p. 483)

In order to stand against the devil, we must put on the whole armor of God. An individual Christian cannot wear the whole armor of God; it must be worn by the church. We must fight the devil's authority of darkness with all the saints. The warfare in Ephesians 6 is a warfare between the church and the devil's authority of darkness; therefore, the armor in Ephesians 6 must be worn by the church. If we live in the church, the Body of Christ, and put on the whole armor of God with all the saints in order to stand against the devil, we will overcome him and bring in the kingdom of God. (*CWWL*, 1932-1949, vol. 4, "Crucial Truths in the Holy Scriptures, Volume 6," p. 487)

We should forget about old religion. Having morning watch is worthless and praying is useless if we are not in the spirit. It is possible that our prayers have been in cooperation with Satan, that our morning watch has been infiltrated by Satan, and that even our service as an elder has been for Satan. This is not to say that we have brought idols into the church or have brought the brothers into sin. On the contrary, we may be very pious and diligent in leading the saints to have morning watch, to endeavor in this practice, and to endeavor in reading the Word. However, we may not realize that Satan has infiltrated all these things. There is only one place that Satan cannot invade—our spirit.

May the Lord be merciful to every one of us and grant us the heavenly vision. Do not think that merely being zealous and serving God is sufficient. Saul of Tarsus was also zealous and also served God, yet he was under the authority of Satan. His service to God, his zeal, and his keeping of the law were all under Satan's authority. Can we say that our zeal, our having morning watch, and our endeavoring in doing many things are not under Satan's authority? Whether or not we are under Satan's authority is not determined by the things we do. Rather, it is determined by whether we are in the spirit or in the flesh. Do we have morning watch in our natural being or in our spirit? If we have morning watch in our natural being, then even though we may rise at 5:30 A.M., our morning watch can be utilized by Satan. However, if we have morning watch in the spirit, there will be a different flavor.

We need to turn to our spirit. Being holy, victorious, or freed from sin is not what matters. The only thing that matters is that we live in the spirit where the Lord dwells. (*CWWL*, 1975-1976, vol. 1, "Living in the Spirit," pp. 473-474)

Further Reading: Life-study of 1 Peter, msg. 33; CWWL, 1975-1976, vol. 1, "Living in the Spirit," ch. 2; Truth Lessons—Level Four, vol. 3, lsn. 43; CWWN, vol. 38, ch. 52

**Further Reading:** HWMR Crystallization-Study of Job Proverbs Ecclesiastes - Week 2, Day 4

Corporate Reading of "The Basic Revelation in the Holy Scriptures" Chapter 4 – Sections: Growing In The Divine Life And Being Built Up; Being Transformed In The

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Soul; Being Sanctified Experientially; To Be Transfigured In Our Body; Conformed To Christ

## Friday 3/19

### Related Verses

#### Rom. 16:20

**20** Now the God of peace will crush Satan under your feet shortly. The grace of our Lord Jesus be with you.

### Rom. 12:5

**5** So we who are many are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another.

## Rom. 16:1, 4, 20

1 I commend to you Phoebe our sister, who is a deaconess of the church which is in Cenchrea,

4 Who risked their own necks for my life, to whom not only I give thanks, but also all the churches of the Gentiles; 20 Now the God of peace will crush Satan under your feet shortly. The grace of our Lord Jesus be with you.

### Rom. 12:5

**5** So we who are many are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another.

## Rom. 6:19, 22

19 I speak in human terms because of the weakness of your flesh. For just as you presented your members as slaves to uncleanness and lawlessness unto lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness unto sanctification.

22 But now, having been freed from sin and enslaved to God, you have your fruit unto sanctification, and the end, eternal life.

#### Rom. 8:6

**6** For the mind set on the flesh is death, but the mind set on the spirit is life and peace.

### Phil. 4:7

7 And the peace of God, which surpasses every man's understanding, will guard your hearts and your thoughts in Christ Jesus.

#### Rom. 8:28-29

**28** And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose.

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**29** Because those whom He foreknew, He also predestinated to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the Firstborn among many brothers;

### Suggested Reading

The Greek word rendered "your" in Romans 16:20 is plural; this points to the Body. God will crush Satan under the feet of the Body. Romans 16 does not refer to the Body in a universal sense, but it refers to the local and practical expression of the Body. This means that Satan can only be crushed under the feet of the practical expression of the Body in the local churches....It is only when we have a proper local church as the practical expression of the Body that Satan is crushed under our feet. (*Life-study of Romans*, pp. 528-529)

We must follow in the footsteps of the apostle. [Paul] brought us into the blending life of the entire Body of Christ by recommendations and greetings in order that the God of peace may crush Satan under our feet and that we may enjoy the rich grace of Christ (Rom. 16:1-16, 21-24, 20). In Romans 16 the apostle Paul greeted the saints one by one, mentioning at least twenty-seven names....Moreover, he greeted the saints generally. This shows that he had a considerable amount of knowledge, understanding, and care with regard to every one of them. Such recommendations and greetings show both the mutual concern among the saints and the mutual fellowship among the churches. It is by the churches' fellowship in the Body that the God of peace will crush Satan under our feet and we will be able to enjoy the rich grace of Christ. (CWWL, 1994-1997, vol. 5, "The Experience of God's Organic Salvation Equaling Reigning in Christ's Life," p. 516)

The only way to overcome Satan is to stay in the high tower of our regenerated spirit.

When we stay in the spirit, we are built up in the Body in a practical way. But if we stay in our minds, we shall be divided. This is true not only in the church life, but also in married life. If I remain in my mind and my wife remains in her mind, it will be impossible for us to be one. I have learned to have a healthy fear of staying in my mind....Whenever I am in the spirit, there is no problem with oneness. Both in the church life and in our family life we must be afraid of our minds that are so easily set on the

flesh, afraid of the division caused by our dissenting thoughts and opinions (see Romans 8:6). When we find ourselves thinking critically of others, we need to turn immediately to the Lord in our spirit and pray. We all must learn the lesson of turning to the spirit and staying there.

In the spirit we experience not only Christ as life, but also the Body. In the spirit Christ is both our life personally and the life of the Body. Therefore, in the spirit with the divine life and with the Body of Christ, Satan is overcome and even crushed under our feet. He is defeated not by individuals, but by the Body.

Never neglect your regenerated spirit, the high tower within you where you may hide from Satan. Whenever you are tempted to argue with your wife or husband, you should run into this tower. Arguments in married life come from the mind assisted by the flesh. Whenever a brother has negative thoughts about his wife, the flesh will try to provoke him to argue with her. This indicates that the flesh is always ready to help the mind in a negative way....We should escape into the high tower of our reborn spirit, the place where Satan cannot touch us, the place where we enjoy Christ as our life and experience the reality of the Body. When we are in such a place, Satan can do nothing to us. (Life-study of Romans, pp. 531-532)

Further Reading: Life-study of Romans, msgs. 30, 49; Truth Lessons—Level Two, vol. 3, lsn. 29; Truth Lessons—Level Four, vol. 2, lsn. 38

**Further Reading:** HWMR Crystallization-Study of Job Proverbs Ecclesiastes - Week 2, Day 5

Corporate Reading of "The Basic Revelation in the Holy Scriptures" Chapter 4 – Sections: Glorified; The Way To Enjoy Christ

## Saturday 3/13

### Related Verses

## Rev. 12:5, 11, 6-10, 12

- **5** And she brought forth a son, a man-child, who is to shepherd all the nations with an iron rod; and her child was caught up to God and to His throne.
- 11 And they overcame him because of the blood of the Lamb and because of the word of their testimony, and they loved not their soul-life even unto death.

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**6** And the woman fled into the wilderness, where she has a place there prepared by God so that they might nourish her there a thousand two hundred and sixty days.

7 And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels went to war with the dragon. And the dragon warred and his angels.

**8** And they did not prevail, neither was their place found any longer in heaven.

**9** And the great dragon was cast down, the ancient serpent, he who is called the Devil and Satan, he who deceives the whole inhabited earth; he was cast to the earth, and his angels were cast down with him.

10 And I heard a loud voice in heaven saying, Now has come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of His Christ, for the accuser of our brothers has been cast down, who accuses them before our God day and night.

12 Therefore be glad, O heavens and those who dwell in them. Woe to the earth and the sea because the devil has come down to you and has great rage, knowing that he has only a short time.

## 2 Cor. 5:14-15

**14** For the love of Christ constrains us because we have judged this, that One died for all, therefore all died;

15 And He died for all that those who live may no longer live to themselves but to Him who died for them and has been raised.

## Suggested Reading

Immediately after the man-child is raptured to heaven, a war commences with Michael and his angels against Satan. This indicates that the man-child, the stronger part of God's people, is always engaged in fighting God's enemy, Satan. The overcomers have been fighting Satan continually, even unto death, and have defeated him on earth. But heaven is still waiting for them to arrive there so that a war may be waged to cast Satan out of heaven.

The Lord has shown us the most effective way to defeat the enemy. What we need to do is to take the covenant, the word of God, and preach to Satan regarding what the Lord has accomplished for us. For example, whenever we were troubled by our temper in the past, we firstly confessed it, then asked the Lord for forgiveness, prayed to the Lord to help us, and finally made up our mind never to lose our Mar. 15 - Mar. 21 2021

temper again. I experienced this many times. But we should not do this anymore. When our temper is aroused, we should forget it and preach to Satan. Go to the source of the problem—Satan—and preach to him, saying, "Satan, you have been crucified on the cross." The more you preach to Satan, the more you will be released. (*Life-study of Revelation*, p. 450)

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When the man-child is delivered and is raptured to the throne, he will say, "Satan, you were defeated by me on earth. Are you still here hiding in the heavens? Now I have come here to preach to you! Don't you remember the messages I gave you on earth?"....Then the man-child will say, "Satan, you should no longer be here! Get out!" As soon as this word is uttered by the man-child, Michael the archangel will lead all his angels to war against the dragon. After the executor gives the word, all the policemen will come to carry it out. God is waiting in the heavens for this executor. Who will be the executor? We, the man-child. Let us go there to preach to Satan. Before we can do this, however, we must first defeat him on earth. After defeating Satan on earth, we shall fight upward to heaven, and eventually we shall fight downward to earth. Now as we confront Satan, we must give him many messages. Later we shall go to the heavens, meet him there, and preach to him again. Then after he has been cast down to earth to damage it, we shall descend and say to him, "Satan, are you still here? Let me give you another sermon. Now is the time for you to go to the abyss." Then after the millennium there will be the fourth sermon given to Satan. At that time, Satan will instigate mankind to rebel against God. But we shall say, "Satan, listen to us. This is our last sermon. Now you must go to your destination—the lake of fire."

If you would be qualified to participate in this, you must fight now. Do not be indifferent. I hope that after you read this message you will give a strong word to the enemy, saying, "Satan, you have deceived me for years. But by reading these messages my eyes have been opened and I see that I must no longer be indifferent. Satan, you are not only God's enemy—you are also my enemy. From now on, I will be absolute for my Lord and I will never listen to you."...If you preach to Satan like this, you will become another person and will probably soon be included in the stronger part of the woman. Begin now to be qualified, equipped, and perfected to be among those who will be

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raptured to heaven to execute judgment upon Satan. (*Life-study of Revelation*, pp. 450-451)

Further Reading: Life-study of Revelation, msgs. 35-36, 38-39, 45; CWWN, vol. 34, "The Glorious Church," ch. 4; The Conclusion of the New Testament, msgs. 22, 139, 421

**Further Reading:** HWMR Crystallization-Study of Job Proverbs Ecclesiastes - Week 2, Day 6

### Hymns, #885

#### 1

Fight the battle in the Body, Never fight it on your own; With the Body to the Head joined, Fight the battle on the throne.

#### Chorus

Fight the battle in the Body! By the virtue of the Head; Standing firmly with the Body, Into vict'ry you'll be led.

#### 2

For the Body is God's armor, Not for anyone alone; When you wrestle in the Body, All its benefits you own.

#### 3

'Tis the Church on Christ established Satan shall not overpow'r; 'Tis the Body built together Which resists the evil pow'r.

#### 4

In the Body, by the Headship, Sitting in the heavenlies, Struggle with the wicked spirits And the principalities.

#### 5

As a member of the Body, With the brethren stand for God;

## God, Man, and Satan

Praying always in the Spirit, Claim the vict'ry through the Blood.

#### 6

In the heav'nlies more than conqu'ror, In the power of His might, As a soldier in the army, In the Lord the battle fight.

#### 7

Keep on wrestling in the Body, Mighty vict'ry you will see, Bind and loose, God's will fulfilling, And the foes your food will be.

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### Related Verses

### Mark 8:34-35

**34** And He called the crowd to Him with His disciples and said to them, If anyone wants to follow after Me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow Me.

**35** For whoever wants to save his soul-life shall lose it; but whoever will lose his soul-life for My sake and the gospel's shall save it.

#### John 12:31

31 Now is the judgment of this world; now shall the ruler of this world be cast out.

#### Rom. 3:25

25 Whom God set forth as a propitiation place through faith in His blood, for the demonstrating of His righteousness, in that in His forbearance God passed over the sins that had previously occurred,

### 1 Cor. 6:17

17 But he who is joined to the Lord is one spirit.

#### Gal. 5:16-17

**16** But I say, Walk by the Spirit and you shall by no means fulfill the lust of the flesh.

17 For the flesh lusts against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; for these oppose each other that you would not do the things that you desire.

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1 Pet. 5:8-9 See Monday

#### 1 John 1:7

7 But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from every sin.

### **Further Reading**

Life-Study of Job, msgs. 2-3 Life-Study of Romans, msgs. 30, 49 CWWL, 1959, vol. 3, "Ten Lines in the Bible", ch. 10