

PRAYER STUDY 25
"Satan: The Lord of Dung"
Isaiah 12:14-17

How you are fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! How you are cut down to the ground. You who weakened the nations! For you have said in your heart: "I will ascend into heaven. I will exalt my throne above the stars of God. I will also sit on the mount of the congregation on the farthest sides of the north; I will ascend above the heights of the clouds. I will be like the Most High." Yet you shall be brought down to Sheol, to the lowest depths of the Pit. Those who see you will gaze at you and consider you saying, "Is this the man who made the earth tremble, who shook kingdoms, who made the world as a wilderness and destroyed its cities, who did not open the house of his prisoners?"

1. Why did Jesus come? *To destroy the works of the devil(1 John 3:5)*
2. What is Satan called? *Prince of this world, Father of Lies, Lucifer(The Light One), Satan(Adversary), Beelzebub(Lord of the Flies or Lord of Dung), Apollyon(Destroyer), Roaring Lion, Angel of Light, Devil(Little God), The Prince and Power of the Air, The Dragon* (By contrast, Jesus is called The Beloved Brother, The Great Physician, Wonderful Counselor, Prince of Peace, Desire of All Nations, Friend, Lamb of God, Living Water, Savior, Lord, King of kings, Faithful and True Witness, Lion of the Tribe of Judah, Light of the World, The Way, The Truth, The Life, Bright Morning Star, etc. There are many, many more in His Word.)
3. Where did Satan come from? *He was created by Jesus(Ezekiel 28: 11-19). Because of pride, Satan, who apparently was the number one angel, became power mad and conned 1/3 of the angels in Heaven into joining him. His plan was to take control of Heaven, but Satan forgot that he was only a created being, not God. He and the rebellious angels were booted out of heaven and given a new location-the planet Earth and the atmosphere around it.*
4. How do we know about Satan? *The only way we learn about Satan is through the Bible. Satan hates the Bible because it blows his cover. He has tried his best to destroy it. He could not do that, so now he starts religious movements which change the Bible message. Key Biblical passages concerning Satan are Isaiah 14, Ezekiel 28, Job 1 & 2, and Revelations 12.*

5. Is there a Hell? *Yes, Yes, Yes!!! Anyone, even preacher's wives, who say otherwise are walking in deception and do not know the Word of God. Jesus spoke more of Hell than any other person in the Bible. Read His true story, not a parable, in Luke 16:19-31.*
6. Where is Satan now? *In Luke 10:18, Jesus said, "I beheld Satan as lightning fall from Heaven." Revelations 9:1 says, "I saw a star fall from Heaven unto the Earth and to him was given the key to the bottomless pit." Paul speaks of being caught up into the Third Heaven in 2nd Corinthians 12:2. Therefore, there must be a First Heaven(the sky we see when we go outside) and a Middle Heaven between the First Heaven and Paradise of the place where Jesus sits at the right hand of God. There is scriptural evidence that Satan is standing in this Middle Heaven(Revelations 12:10, being one), and that he goes back and forth from this point to the earth where he goes to and fro and walks up and down in it(Job 1 & 2). But remember that Satan is not omnipresent like God is.*
7. Why did Satan's cohorts crucify Jesus? *Because they were stupid. See 1st Corinthians 2:7-8.*
8. How do you fight Satan? *According to Luke 9:1, salvation through accepting Christ and being thus covered with His Blood and receiving power from the Holy Spirit allows us to defeat Satan. According to Mark 16:17, in the Name of Jesus we are to cast out Devils. 2nd Corinthians 10:4 tells us we have the power to pull down enemy strongholds! (How ignorant the Church is of this one fact!) James 4:7 tells us to resist the Devil and he will flee. Ephesians 6 tells us to put on the whole armour of God to fight Satan and the Kingdom of Darkness. Our weapons include prayer, fasting, confession, praise, calling on the Name of Jesus, Pleading the Blood of Jesus, holy living, being under authority, gifts of the Holy Spirit which come from the Baptism of the Holy Spirit, etc.*
9. What is the goal of a demon? *Ultimately a demon wants to destroy a human being who is made in the image of God.*
10. What is exorcism? *This is commanding in the name of Jesus a demon to come out of a person. This is accomplished by the spoken Word, in the Name of Jesus and through the Blood of the Lamb, by the power of the Holy Spirit. It is generally done simply and quickly.(Acts 16:16-18)*
11. Are séances, Ouija boards, fortune telling, Dungeons and Dragons harmless? *No! I have counseled with people with depression, suicide thoughts, & heavy fear picked-up from these activities(Lev.20:6)*