The Powerful, Yet Defeated Enemy

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Intro:

One thing Satan has that we do not have as Christians? ______(Romans 8:1)

C.S. Lewis: "There are two equal and opposite errors into which our race can fall about the devils. One is to disbelieve in their existence. The other is to believe, and to feel an excessive and unhealthy interest in them. They themselves are equally pleased by both errors and hail a materialist or a magician with the same delight." <u>The Screwtape Letters</u>

His Rise & Fall

Ezekiel 28 (Satan/King of Tyre) (Ezek. 28:9,10)

We are told of:

- 1. His _____ (Ezek. 28:12)
- 2. His ______ (Ezek. 28:13) (Gen. 3:1; Rev. 12:9)
- 3. His _____ (Ezek. 28:13)
- 4. His _____ (Ezek. 28:14)
- 5. His ______ (Ezek. 28:15-18; Rev. 12:4,9)

Sin always affects ______ than just ourselves. We may think it is private and individual, but ______ are always affected in its wake!

King of Babylon (Isa 14:3-11)

Describes the King of Babylon

Satan (Isaiah 14:12-17)

- 1. The Reason for His Fall—_____ (Isa. 14:13,14)
- 2. The Result of His Fall—_____ (14:15-17)

Even though Ezekiel and Isaiah may make it seem like the fall of Satan is a single act, it actually occurs in stages:

a. God expelled satan from the <u>"______</u>" He was cast from being part of God's government in heaven. But, he still had <u>______</u>to heaven. (Luke 10:18; Job 1:6-12; Zech 3:1,2).

b. In the tribulation, Satan will be totally cast from ______ access and be restricted to the ______. (Rev. 12:7-13)

c. In the Millennium he will be restrained in the ______. (Rev. 20:1-3)

d. After his brief release at the end of the MK, he will be cast into the _______
 _______ forever. (Rev. 20:7-10)

What's In A Name?

(Identity and character are revealed by different names for the evil one)

1. The ______ (Rev. 9:11)

- 2. _____ (Matt. 12:24; Mark 3:22; Luke 11:15) Comes from the OT word Baal-Zebub—an idol, the god of Ekron
- 3. _____(the worthless one) (Prov. 16:27; Nahum 1:11; 2 Cor. 6:15) This word became a proper name for Satan during the inter-testamental period, thus Paul asked, "What accord has Christ with Belial?" (2 Cor. 6:15)
- 4. _____ (Rev. 2:10; 12:9; 20:2; Matt 4:1; Acts 10:38) Gk = "diabolos"—the one who slanders or accuses or trips up used 37 times in the NT
- 5. The old _____(Rev. 12:9; 20:2; Gen. 3:4,14; 2 Cor. 11:3; Eph. 4:14) In Gen. 3:1 he is introduced to us first of all, as a serpent. And, in Rev. 12:9, he is called "that old serpent:" He begins and ends as a serpent.

a. He deceives with _____ doctrine (1 Timothy 4:1)

b. He deceives with the ______ appearance of things (Making bad things look good and not-so-bad things look better)(2 Corinthians 11:13-15)

c. He deceives with a false sense of _____

- 6. The great _____ (Rev. 12:3; 7-9) This is a name that indicates his power and destructive nature Our Lord Jesus Christ seeks to build us up and encourage us in the most holy faith. Satan is just the opposite. He seeks to destroy and tear us down.
- 7. _____ (1 Chron. 21:1; Job 1:6; John 13:27; Acts 5:3; 26:18; Rom. 16:20; Hebrew for "satan" means "adversary" like in 1 Peter 5:8 This word or title is used 52 times in Scripture.

This name is most used and most fitting because:

a) he is the primary adversary of _____

b) he is the primary adversary of God's______

c) he is the primary adversary of God's ______ both Israel and Christians(those who have identified themselves with the Lord Jesus Christ (1 Thess. 2:18)

8. The _____ (John 17:15) Gk.= "poneros"—it refers to an intrinsic, internal evil.

9. The _____(Rev. 12:10; 1 John 2:1; Heb. 9:24; Rom. 8:33-39)

Jesus is Everything that Satan is Not

1. He is not _____

- He is not _____ (2 Cor. 12:7-9) Satan rules a domain of demons, but not beyond the boundaries God established for him. Satan rebelled, but he never shook free of God's rule.
- 3. He is not ______ (all powerful)(I John 4:4)
- 4. He is not ______ (all knowing)(1 Pet. 1:12)
- 5. He is not _____ (everywhere present)

6. He is not a ______ agent (he is restricted and subservient)

There is no one like our God! Jesus is everything that Satan is not!

The Believer's Responsibility

- 1. _____ (1 Timothy 6:11)
- 2. _____ (Ephesians 6:17)
- 3. _____ (James 4:7; 1 Pet. 5:9)
- a. In the finished work of Christ
 b. In the complete armor of God
 c. In satan's sealed defeat