

WHAT THE BIBLE TEACHES ABOUT THE ORIGIN OF SIN AND EVIL

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THE BEGINNING OF SIN

1. When and where did sin begin?

2. In whom did sin originate?

Revelation 12:7-10

Ezekiel 28:14-17

SIN ON EARTH

3. What sign of obedience did God give to Adam and Eve?

Genesis 2:15-17

4. What did the first sin consist of?

Genesis 3:1-6

THE TERRIBLE CONSEQUENCES OF SIN

5. What is sin?

1 John 3:4

6. Who does the sinner submit to?

1 John 3:8

7. What is the final result of sin?

Romans 6:23

WHAT MUST I DO?

1. Resist Satan in God's name.

2. Not compromise with sin.

3. Overcome, with Jesus' help.

James 4:7

Romans 6:12

Romans 8:37

**I will try, with God's help, to cleanse my life
from all sin.**

SIGNATURE

THE FAITH
OF JESUS

▶ ADDITIONAL STUDY ◀

SATAN (LUCIFER) IS THE AUTHOR OF SIN. Lucifer was created perfect (Ezekiel 18:14, 15). He wanted to be equal with God (Isaiah 14:13, 14). A battle took place in heaven (Revelation 12:7-9). Lucifer did not remain in the truth (John 8:44). He sinned from the beginning (1 John 3:8).

WHAT IS SIN? It is the transgression of God's law (1 John 3:4). Every injustice is sin (1 John 5:17). Knowing to do right and not doing it (James 4:17). Reject Jesus' message (John 15:22).

THE TERRIBLE CONSEQUENCES OF SIN. Takes away peace from the soul (Isaiah 57:20, 21; Romans 2:9). Separates the person from God (Isaiah 59:2). Turns the sinner into a servant of Satan (1 John 3:8). Causes eternal death (Romans 6:23).

EFFECTIVE HELP IN THE FIGHT AGAINST SIN. We have a constant battle against the devil's snares (Ephesians 6:11, 12). But if we are with God, the devil flees (James 4:7). We have a full armor to defend us from the evil one's attacks (Ephesians 6:11-18). Christ's blood cleanses us from sin (1 John 1:7).

Who Created Satan?

God did not create Satan (adversary), but rather Lucifer (bright star), a creature of extraordinary beauty and intelligence. Little by little Lucifer began to cultivate envy, hatred and pride. He desired to be equal to God. He rebelled against God, accusing Him of tyranny and lack of love. God did not destroy Satan, in order to allow that over time he would manifest the cruelty of his actions and there would be no doubt about divine love and justice.

Original Sin

"So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him". "And God saw every thing that he had made, and, behold, it was very good." (Genesis 1:27, 31). Man was given, by his Maker, intelligence, reasoning, and the capacity to freely choose his destiny.

Confronting Satan and falling into temptation, she committed the sin of disobedience to a definite command from God. Also, she exercised her power of choice mistakenly. She believed Satan and mistrusted God. In this way, she rejected her Father God and put herself under Satan's control.

The Seriousness of Sin

"From the sole of the foot even unto the head there is no soundness in it; but wounds, and bruises, and putrefying sores: they have not been closed, neither bound up, neither mollified with ointment." (Isaiah 1:6). The prophet compares sin to the terrible sickness called leprosy. God hates sin, but he loves the sinner. He wants to see the sinner free of the horrible consequences.

Sin always causes tragedy and problems. "When I kept silence, my bones waxed old through my roaring all the day long. For day and night thy hand was heavy upon me: my moisture is turned into the drought of summer." (Psalm 32:3, 4). The worse consequences of sin are the destruction of the spiritual life and estrangement from God.

The End of Sin

The disastrous experience of sin will come to an end along with its author, the devil: Satan and his angels are reserved for the judgment of the great day (Jude 6). Ultimately, they will be destroyed in the great lake of fire (Revelation 20:10). Sin will be eliminated and it will never again appear (Malachi 4:1).