Lesson 07 – ***The Origin of Evil & The Fall and Redemption of Man***
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THE ORIGIN OF EVIL

THE BEING WHO FIRST SINNED

QUESTION #1
With whom did sin originate? 1 John 3:8

1 John 3:8 NKJV
[8] He who sins is of the devil, for 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.

QUESTION #2
Was Satan created sinful? Ezekiel 28:15

Ezekiel 28:15 NKJV
[15] You *were* perfect in your ways from the day you were created,
Till iniquity was found in you.

QUESTION #3
What further statement of Christ seems to lay the responsibility for the origin of sin upon Satan and his angels? Matthew 25:41

Matthew 25:41 NKJV
[41] "Then He will also say to those on the left hand, 'Depart from Me, you cursed, into the everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels:

SATAN AND CHRIST CONTRASTED

QUESTION #4
What led to Satan's sin, rebellion, and downfall? Ezekiel 28:17; Isaiah 14:13-14

Ezekiel 28:17 NKJV
[17] "Your heart was [a]lifted up because of your beauty;
You corrupted your wisdom for the sake of your splendor;
I cast you to the ground,
I laid you before kings,
That they might gaze at you.

Isaiah 14:13-14 NKJV
[13] 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;
[14] I will ascend above the heights of the clouds,
I will be like the Most High.'

QUESTION #5
In contrast with the pride and self-exaltation exhibited by Satan, what spirit did Christ manifest? Philippians 2:6-8

Philippians 2:6-8 NKJV
[6] who, being in the form of God, did not consider it [a]robbery to be equal with God, [7] but [b]made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, *and* coming in the likeness of men. [8] And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to *the point of* death, even the death of the cross.

THE FALL AND REDEMPTION OF MAN

DEFINITION AND NATURE OF SIN

QUESTION #6
What is sin declared to be? 1 John 3:4

1 John 3:4 NKJV
[4] Whoever commits sin also commits lawlessness, and sin is lawlessness.

QUESTION #7
What is the final result, or fruit, of sin? James 1:15; Romans 6:23

James 1:15 NKJV
[15] Then, when desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, brings forth death.

Romans 6:23 NKJV
[23] For the wages of sin *is* death, but the [a]gift of God *is* eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

QUESTION #8

Upon how many of the human race did death pass as the result of Adam's transgression? Romans 5:12

Romans 5:12 NKJV

[12] Therefore, just as through one man sin entered the world, and death through sin, and thus death spread to all men, because all sinned—

QUESTION #9
How was the earth itself affected by Adam's sin? Genesis 3:17-18

Genesis 3:17-18 NKJV
[17] Then to Adam He said, "Because you have heeded the voice of your wife, and have eaten from the tree of which I commanded you, saying, 'You shall not eat of it':

"Cursed *is* the ground for your sake;
In toil you shall eat *of* it
All the days of your life.
[18] Both thorns and thistles it shall [a]bring forth for you,
And you shall eat the herb of the field.

QUESTION #10
What additional curse came as the result of the first murder? Genesis 4:9-12

Genesis 4:9-12 NKJV
[9] Then the Lord said to Cain, "Where *is* Abel your brother?"

He said, "I do not know. *Am* I my brother's keeper?"

[10] And He said, "What have you done? The voice of your brother's blood cries out to Me from the ground. [11] So now you *are* cursed from the earth, which has opened its mouth to receive your brother's blood from your hand. [12] When you till the ground, it shall no longer yield its strength to you. A fugitive and a vagabond you shall be on the earth."

QUESTION #11
What terrible judgment came in consequence of continued sin and transgression against God? Genesis 6:7, 13; Genesis 7:6, 11

Genesis 6:7, 13 NKJV
[7] So the Lord said, "I will destroy man whom I have created from the face of the earth, both man and beast, creeping thing and birds of the air, for I am sorry that I have made them."

[13] And God said to Noah, “The end of all flesh has come before Me, for the earth is filled with violence through them; and behold, I will destroy them with the earth.

Genesis 7:6, 11 NKJV
[6] Noah *was* six hundred years old when the floodwaters were on the earth.
[11] In the six hundredth year of Noah’s life, in the second month, the seventeenth day of the month, on that day all the fountains of the great deep were broken up, and the windows of heaven were opened.

QUESTION #12
After the flood what came in consequence of further apostasy from God? Genesis 11:5-8

Genesis 11:5-8 NKJV
[5] But the Lord came down to see the city and the tower which the sons of men had built.
[6] And the Lord said, “Indeed the people *are* one and they all have one language, and this is what they begin to do; now nothing that they propose to do will be withheld from them.
[7] Come, let Us go down and there confuse their language, that they may not understand one another’s speech.” [8] So the Lord scattered them abroad from there over the face of all the earth, and they ceased building the city.

QUESTION #13
Into what condition has sin brought the entire creation? Romans 8:22

Romans 8:22 NKJV
[22] For we know that the whole creation groans and labors with birth pangs together until now.

GOD’S DELAY IN DESTROYING SIN

QUESTION #14
What explains God's apparent delay in dealing with sin? 2 Peter 3:9

2 Peter 3:9 NKJV
[9] The Lord is not slack concerning *His* promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward [a]us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance.

QUESTION #15
What is God's attitude toward the sinner? Ezekiel 18:32

Ezekiel 18:32 NKJV
[32] For I have no pleasure in the death of one who dies," says the Lord God. "Therefore turn and live!"

QUESTION #16
Can man free himself from the dominion of sin? Jeremiah 13:23

Jeremiah 13:23 NKJV
[23] Can the Ethiopian change his skin or the leopard its spots?
Then may you also do good who are accustomed to do evil.

QUESTION #17
What place has the will in determining whether man shall have life? Revelation 22:17

Revelation 22:17 NKJV
[17] And the Spirit and the bride say, "Come!" And let him who hears say, "Come!" And let him who thirsts come. Whoever desires, let him take the water of life freely.

CHRIST, THE SINNER, AND SATAN

QUESTION #18
For what purpose was Christ manifested? 1 John 3:5-8

1 John 3:5-8 NKJV
[5] And you know that He was manifested to take away our sins, and in Him there is no sin.
[6] Whoever abides in Him does not sin. Whoever sins has neither seen Him nor known Him.
[7] Little children, let no one deceive you. He who practices righteousness is righteous, just as He is righteous. [8] He who sins is of the devil, for 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.

QUESTION #19
What was one direct purpose of the incarnation of Christ? Hebrews 2:14

Hebrews 2:14 NKJV
[14] Inasmuch then as the children have partaken of flesh and blood, He Himself likewise shared in the same, that through death He might destroy him who had the power of death, that is, the devil,

QUESTION #20
To what extent has Christ suffered for sinners? Isaiah 53:5

Isaiah 53:5 NKJV
5 But He *was* wounded[a] for our transgressions,
He was [b]bruised for our iniquities;
The chastisement for our peace *was* upon Him,
And by His stripes[c] we are healed.

THE END OF SIN AND SORROW

QUESTION #21
When and by what means will the effects of sin be removed? 2 Peter 3:10

2 Peter 3:10 NKJV
10 But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night, in which the heavens will pass away with a great noise, and the elements will melt with fervent heat; both the earth and the works that are in it will be [a]burned up.

QUESTION #22
How thoroughly will the effects of sin be removed? Revelation 21:4; Revelation 22:3

Revelation 21:4 NKJV
4 And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away."

Revelation 22:3 NKJV
3 And there shall be no more curse, but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it, and His servants shall serve Him.

QUESTION #23
Will sin and its evil results ever appear again? Nahum 1:9; Revelation 21:4; Revelation 22:3

Nahum 1:9 NKJV
9 What do you [a]conspire against the Lord?
He will make an utter end *of it*.
Affliction will not rise up a second time.

Revelation 21:4 NKJV

[4] And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away."

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