

The Origin of Evil

This study is to help people to understand the knowledge of Evil and its Origin, also this study can help people to have a better understanding and knowledge about the Lord and the love he has for all mankind, because there are many people today who believes that the Lord is responsible for all confusion, violence, and the terrible events that are put in our way like terrorist attack, financial devastations, killing of loved ones, death of loved ones, and the list goes on. But to understand the origins of evil first we need to know with who did sin originate? *“He that committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning.”* **1 John 3:8.**

What was the first sin?

Satan said in Isaiah 14:13-14

“For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north: I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High.” **Isaiah 14:13&14**

Now which commandments did Satan break by saying “I will exalt my throne above the stars of God” and “I will be like the most High”?

“Thou shalt have no other gods before me.” **Exodus 20:3, Commandment #1.**

“Thou shalt not take the name of the LORD thy God in vain; for the LORD will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name in vain.” **Exodus 20:7, Commandment #3.**

Satan broke these commandments, by clearly saying that he wanted to be God, and he wanted to make himself higher than God.

Now has Satan committed blasphemy by making these claims?

Scripture clearly states in 2Thes 2:4 that blasphemy is

“Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God.”

2Thessalonians 2:4

Also in John 10:33

“The Jews answered him, saying, For a good work we stone thee not; but for blasphemy; and because that thou, being a man, makest thyself God” **John 10:33**

And yes Satan does wish to be worshipped by others, why? Before he convinced a 3rd of the angels of heaven with him as said in Rev 12:4

“And his tail drew the third part of the stars of heaven, and did cast them to the earth:”

Revelations 12:4

Remember Satan also tried to get Jesus to worship him as well in Matthew 4:9

“And saith unto him, All these things will I give thee, if thou wilt fall down and worship me.” **Matthew 4:9**

Satan dishonored his Father who created him and wanted to steal his position, because Satan wanted the Power that God has, Which means Satan also broke **Commandments #5,8, and 10.**

“Honour thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.” **Exodus 20:12, Commandment #5**

“Thou shalt not steal.” **Exodus 20:15, Commandment #8**

“Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his

ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is thy neighbour's.” **Exodus 20:17, Commandment #10.**

And, yes we should be aware the scriptures states in James 2:10

“For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one point, he is guilty of all.”

James 2:10

Which means anyone who breaks one commandment breaks all of them.

But the ones mentioned that Satan broke are the most noticeable ones to point out.

But what was the biggest thing that Satan had done, to make himself think that he can be God?

He lied to himself which is why he broke the commandment #9 for bearing false witness because he was deceiving himself.

“Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour.” **Exodus 20:16, Commandment #9**

Now what does scripture say about those who allow themselves to be deceived?

“For if a man think himself to be something, when he is nothing, he deceiveth himself.” **Galatians 6:3**

“Let no man deceive himself. If any man among you seemeth to be wise in this world, let him become a fool, that he may be wise.” **1Corinthians 3:18**

Now to answer the question what is the first sin? Since Satan was allowing his own pride to deceive him. Before he could think that he can that he can be God, he must make himself believe he can become God or be God. Which, is the ultimate deception for oneself because none of God's Creations can become or be God.

So if we put all the clues together we see that the first sin was the same sin that caused Adam and Eve to sin which was lying.

Satan had to lie to himself to make himself think he can be a God.

This is why scripture says that lying is Satan language because

“When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it.” John 8:44

What is an example of how lies have destroyed lives?

Well let’s look back to Adam and Eve. We see that Satan tells Eve in Gen 3:1

“Now the serpent was more subtil than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden?” Genesis 3:1

Where God says in Gen 2:16-17

“And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat:

But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die.”

Genesis 2:16-17

We see here that God tells Adam that he is not to eat from the tree of Knowledge of good and evil. If he does he will die.

Now what does Eve tells Satan?

“God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die.” Genesis 3:3

Now what was the lie that Satan told Eve?

We see Satan tells Eve in Gen 3:4-5

“And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die: For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil.” Genesis 3:4-5

Now we see Satan tells two big lies to Eve, after she told him she could not touch nor eat from the tree of knowledge of good and evil.

First Satan told her the she will not die from eating from the tree of knowledge of good and evil, and then said that she can become a god by eating from the tree.

Now we know that Eve then eat from the tree of knowledge of good and evil and then gave some to Adam in Gen 3:6.

How does scripture prove Satan lied to Eve? We see that after God kicked Adam and Even out of the Garden of Eden in Gen 3:24.

Adam and Eve never became Gods. They had children Named Cain and Abel (Gen 4:1). And, they still worship God because of how their kids knew God. And, both Cain and Abel made offerings to God.

And lastly we see that neither Adam nor Eve lived after eating from the tree of knowledge of good and evil. Yet they died years later, because in Genesis 5:5 it says

“And all the days that Adam lived were nine hundred and thirty years: and he died.”

Genesis 5:5

Now the one question that probably came across many people’s minds is why did not Adam and Eve die instantly when they ate from the tree knowledge of good and evil?

The answer is simple for we know what Romans 6:23 *“The wages of sin is death.”*

Romans. 6:23.

“Because sentence against an evil work is not executed speedily, therefore the heart of the sons of men is fully set in them to do” Ecclesiastes 8:11.

This also applies to the world today as well. Because God don’t execute judgement of his law instantly man continues to sin.

But the Lord also says in Eze 18:32 & 33:11

“For I have no pleasure in the death of him that dieth, saith the Lord GOD: wherefore turn yourselves, and live ye.” Ezekiel 18:32

“Say unto them, As I live, saith the Lord GOD, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked; but that the wicked turn from his way and live: turn ye, turn ye from your evil ways; for why will ye die, O house of Israel?” Ezekiel 33:11

We see from these verses that the reason why Adam and Eve were not killed instantly when they ate from the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil, was because God wanted to give them time to repent of their sins.

Because 1John 1:9 says it best

“If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.” 1John 1:9

This count for us of today’s world as well to know we must repent of our sin before going to the grave.

“For the grave cannot praise thee, death can not celebrate thee: they that go down into the pit cannot hope for thy truth.” Isaiah 38:18

Now that we have a clear understanding why scripture says in Proverbs 6:16 that one of the things that God hates is a lying tongue. Why? We see first in this study how lies have destroyed the lives that Adam and Eve could have had in the Garden of Eden.

A lie sparked Eve’s curiosity to think that she could be a god by eating from the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil, if it was not for Satan’s intercession Eve would have never ate from that tree.

And, also it was a lie that caused the death of Adam and Eve.

Satan caused all the confusion and terrible events that happened to Adam and Eve, so why people today don’t they think he would not do the same to them now? Why do they just blame God for everything?

When Scriptures States

“For God is not the author of confusion, but of peace, as in all churches of the saints.”

1Corinthians 14:33.

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