

# 2ND ADVENT REVIVAL MINISTRY

## The Great Controversy

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God is love. Read in **(1 John 4:8)**. He is righteous, holy, and just in all His ways **(Psalms 97:2)** and He never changes **(James 1:17)**. God doesn't have a "dark side". Read in **(1 John 1:5)**.

In the beginning, God made everything good. Read in **(Genesis 1:31)**. Sin originated with the devil. Read in **(Matthew 13:36-40)**. The devil rebelled against God's law. Read in **(1 John 3:4-8)**. The devil was a murderer from the beginning of his rebellion. Read in **(John 8:44)**. War in heaven broke out as a result of the devil's rebellion. He was cast out with his evil angels. Read in **(Revelation 12:7-9; Luke 10:18)**.

The devil was not created sinful. Read in **(Ezekiel 28:15)**. Satan was once perfect and was in harmony with all of God's creation until he chose to lead an open rebellion against God. Satan's downfall was pride and self-exaltation. He wanted to be exalted to the highest position. Read in **(Isaiah 14:12-14)**.

The devil wants worship more than anything else. Read in **(Matthew 4:9)**. One of the ways we show worship is by obedience as it says in **(Romans 6:16)**. The devil tried to get Jesus to show His allegiance by obeying him instead of God the Father.

What character traits did Jesus manifest in contrast to Satan? Read in **(Philippians 2:6-8)**. Christ made himself of no reputation and took on the form of a servant and humbled himself.

The war Satan started in heaven continues on

planet earth. Read in **(Revelation 12:12,17)**. Satan tempted Adam and Eve to mistrust God and openly disobey by eating of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. Read in **(Genesis 3:1-8)**. Sin is what separates us from God. Read in **(Isaiah 59:1-2)**. Notice Adam and Eve hid themselves from God

once they had disobeyed. Read in **(Genesis 3:6-8)**. Sin is transgression of God's law. Read in **(1 John 3:4)**. Simply defined, sin is disobeying or disregarding God's rules for living.

Death is the result of sin entering into the world. Read in **(Romans 5:12,19; 1 Corinthians 15:22)**.

God gave His Son as a remedy for the sin problem. Read in **(John 3:16)**. Christ came to deliver us from the power of sin and death. Read in **(Luke 4:17-19)**. Christ was tempted in all points like us, yet without sin. Read in **(Hebrews 4:15)**. God's gift of salvation is free and cannot be earned or bought. Read in **(Ephesians 2:8-9)**. Receiving God's gift of salvation begins with repenting of our sins and confessing them before God. Read in **(Acts 3:19; 1 John 1:9; Acts 2:38)**. True repentance includes forsaking our sins. Read in **(Proverbs 28:13; Isaiah 55:7)**. Sin and Satan will be completely destroyed by fire in the end. Read in **(Ezekiel 28:17-18; Revelation 21:4)**. Tribulation, distress or adversity will never raise their heads again. Read in **(Nahum 1:9)**. Amen and amen.



## The mystery of lawlessness in the world

**(1 John 4:8)** He who does not love does not know God, for God is love.

**(Psalm 97:2)** Righteousness and justice are the foundation of His throne.

**(James 1:17)** ...with whom there is no variation or shadow of turning.

**(1 John 1:5)** ...God is light and in Him is no darkness at all.

**(Genesis 1:31)** Then God saw everything that He had made, and indeed it was very good. So the evening and the morning were the sixth day.

**(Matthew 13:36-40)** Then Jesus sent the multitude away and went into the house. And His disciples came to Him, saying, "Explain to us the parable of the tares of the field." (37) He answered and said to them: "He who sows the good seed is the Son of Man. (38) The field is the world, the good seeds are the sons of the kingdom, but the tares are the sons of the wicked one. (39) The enemy who sowed them is the devil, the harvest is the end of age, and the reapers are the angels. (40) Therefore as the tares are gathered and burned in the fire, so it will be at the end of the age.

**(1 John 3:4-8)** Whoever commits sin also commits lawlessness, and sin is lawlessness. (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.

**(John 8:44)** You are of your father the devil, and the desires of your father you want to do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own resources, for he is a liar and the father of it.

**(Revelation 12:7-9)** And war broke out in heaven: Michael and his angels fought with the dragon; and the dragon and his angels fought, (8) but they did not prevail, nor was a place found for them in heaven any longer. (9) So the great dragon was cast out, that serpent of old, called the Devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world; he was cast to the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.

**(Luke 10:18)** And He said to them, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven."

**(Ezekiel 28:15)** You were perfect in your ways from the day you were created, till iniquity was found in you.

**(Isaiah 14:12-14)** 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! (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.

**(Matthew 4:9)** And he said to Him, All these things I will give You if You will fall down and worship me."

**(Romans 6:16)** Do you not know that to whom you present yourselves slaves to obey, you are that one's slaves whom you obey, whether of sin leading to death, or of obedience leading to righteousness?

**(Philippians 2:6-8)** Who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, (7) but 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 war that Satan started in heaven (of Good verses Evil), he continues on earth.

**(Revelation 12:12, 17)** Therefore rejoice, O heavens, and you who dwell in them! Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and the sea! For the devil has come down to you, having great wrath, because he knows that he has a short time." (17) And the dragon was enraged with the woman, and he went to make war with the rest of her offspring, who keep the commandments of God and the testimony of Jesus Christ.

**(Genesis 3:1-8)** Now the serpent was more cunning than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said to the woman, "Has God indeed said, 'You shall not eat of every tree of the garden?'" (2) And the woman said to the serpent, "We may eat the fruit of the trees of the garden; (3) but of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God has said, 'You shall not eat it, nor shall you touch it, lest you die.'" (4) Then the serpent said

to the woman, "You will not surely die. (5) For God knows that in the day you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." (6) So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree desirable to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate. She also gave to her husband with her, and he ate. (7) Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves coverings. (8) And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden.

**(Isaiah 59:1-2)** Behold, the LORD'S hand is not shortened, that it cannot save; nor His ear heavy, that it cannot hear. (2) But your iniquities have separated you from your God; and your sins have hidden His face from you, so that He will not hear.

**(Genesis 3:6-8)** So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, that it was pleasant to the eyes and a tree desirable to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate. She also gave to her husband with her, and he ate. (7) Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves coverings. (8) And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden.

**(1 John 3:4)** Whoever commits sin also commits lawlessness, and sin is lawlessness.

**(Romans 5:12, 19)** Therefore, just as through one man sin entered the world, and death through sin, and thus death spread to all men, because all sinned. (19) For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so also by one Man's obedience many will be made righteous.

**(1 Corinthians 15:22)** For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ all shall be made alive.

**(John 3:16)** For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

**(Luke 4:17-19)** And He was handed the book of the prophet Isaiah. And when He had opened the book, He found the place where it was written: (18) "The Spirit of the LORD is upon Me, because He has anointed Me to preach the gospel to the poor; He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed; (19) to proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD."

**(Hebrews 4:15)** For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin.

**(Eph. 2:8-9)** For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, (9) not of works, lest anyone should boast.

**(Acts 3:19)** Repent therefore and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, so that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord.

**(1 John 1:9)** If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

**(Acts 2:38)** Then Peter said to them, "Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit."

**(Proverbs 28:13)** He who covers his sins will not prosper, but whoever confesses and forsakes them will have mercy.

**(Isaiah 55:7)** Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the LORD, and He will have mercy on him; and to our God for He will abundantly pardon.

**(Ezekiel 28:17-18)** Your heart was 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. (18) You defiled your sanctuaries by the multitude of your iniquities, by the iniquity of your trading; therefore I brought fire from your midst; it devoured you, and I turned you to ashes upon the earth in the sight of all who saw you.

**(Revelation 21:4)** 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 all passed away.

**(Nahum 1:9)** ... He will make an utter end of it. Affliction will not rise up a second time.