

## The Journey

### Satan's Dream Lesson 1 Outline

One Sentence Summary Statement: Lucifer a being created to reveal God's glory, allowed pride to make him forget for whom he was created and what he was created for.

#### A. Outline

##### a. Introduction

- i. The lesson is shot in a cemetery in Richmond, Virginia.
- ii. The goal is to help you see what Satan's dream is, do that you can recognize when he is targeting you and then ,overcome His attacks, so you can live an authentic life.

##### b. Body

- i. Do people believe Satan exists?
  1. A 2003 Gallup poll in the United States indicated that 68% of the population believe that Satan exist in some way, shape or form.
  2. According to the scriptures, Satan does exist, he is real, he is active, and he does have an agenda.
- ii. The creation and fall of Satan
  1. Satan has not existed for ever and he was created by God through Jesus. (Colossians 1:16)
  2. Most commentators agree that Ezekiel 28 and Isaiah 14 refer to Satan.
    - a. Ezekiel 28:11-19 God speaks to the King of Tyre as having been in the Garden of Eden; having been a guardian Cherub, having free access to the government of God, and having been sinless from the time he was created. This could not refer to a literal king on earth.
      - i. Satan (Lucifer before the fall) was a perfect being, full of wisdom and perfect in beauty.
      - ii. Lucifer was a good angel on God's side.
      - iii. Using Colossians 1:16, we infer that Satan was created instantly perfect and instantly beautiful. He was above all other spiritual hosts in power, wisdom and beauty.
      - iv. Lucifer was given an exalted place in the government of God as a "cherub." A "cherub" was a spirit being who had the closest access into the presence of God and declared His holiness.
      - v. In Psalm 18:10, a cherub is seen as a symbol of the chief ruling power by which God carries out his operations in righteousness and justice.
      - vi. The "holy mountain of God is referred to as "The place (or a place) where God dwells."

- vii. Satan was involved in the praise and government of Jehovah very close to God. Satan was involved in worship dedicated to God.
  - viii. Lucifer was involved in “trading worship” because he had his own Sanctuary. He was doing something with what was happening on the earth.
  - ix. In Luke 4:6, when he was tempting Jesus, Satan says the kingdoms of the world have been handed over to him. Satan wanted worship from Jesus at this incident.
  - x. In the scriptures, Satan is also called the “Prince of this world” (John 12:31) and the “God of this age” (2 Cor. 4:4) and “Ruler of the Kingdom of the air” (Eph. 2:2).
  - xi. Therefore it is possible that Satan was receiving worship from spiritual beings on earth and passing them on to God.
  - xii. In Ezekiel it says that Satan’s heart was lifted up because of his beauty, which would indicate pride. It is possible Lucifer sinned by thinking too much of himself, by being greedy and he forgot God. He took pride in his beauty, wisdom and perfection, and felt he should be honored for it.
  - xiii. 1 Timothy 3:6 talks about not letting a young man be an overseer, lest he become prideful and fall like the devil did.
- b. Satan fell because of His pride.
  - c. I John 3:8 tells us where the original sin took place. It says, “The one who practices sin is of the devil; for the devil has sinned from the beginning.”
- c. Conclusion
    - i. The heart of Satan’s Dream is an issue of pride.
    - ii. Satan, a beautiful and perfect being, simply thought too much of himself and didn’t realize he owed it all to the glory of the one who created him.
    - iii. We must be careful to realize that we are God’s creation, created by Him and for Him.