

Lesson 1

Lucifer Sins

Isaiah 14:12–14;
Ezekiel 28:12–19

Memory Verse

“Therefore submit to
God, Resist the devil and
he will flee from you”
(James 4:7)

Teacher’s Objective

At the end of the session,
the students should
be able to:

Define the meaning of
Lucifer and *Satan*

Locate in their Bible the
scripture that says Satan
is the god of this world

Describe some
characteristics with which
God created Lucifer

Express how they will
resist the temptation to
disobey God and sin

Materials Needed

See “Teaching Activities”
for specific activities

Teacher’s Bible Study

Before the time of man, God created powerful spirit beings (Job 38:7) in vast numbers (Revelation 5:11). Although created before and on a higher plane than man, these beings will eventually be under man in authority when humanity has entered God’s Family (Hebrews 2:7–8).

Long before man, one cherub, whose name in Latin is the familiar word *Lucifer*, had the honor of covering the very throne of God (Ezekiel 28:14). This shows a position of very high authority and power in God’s government. However, he was lifted up in his own vanity, became resentful and jealous of God, and finally rebelled against God’s government. He drew with him as cohorts a third of the angels. These became evil angels or demons with Lucifer, now Satan the Devil, as their leader.

Satan is called the god of this world (2 Corinthians 4:4) and the accuser of the brethren (Revelation 12:10). As “the prince of the power of the air,” his perverted and evil attitudes of hatred, jealousy, envy, lust and greed influence man. The mechanism for this influence is surely the evil environment of this present world, and this spirit is now at work in the sons of disobedience (Ephesians 2:2).

God did not originally create sin, but by giving free moral agency to His created beings He did leave the door open for sin to be committed. Satan the Devil had been created full of wisdom and perfect beauty (Ezekiel 28:12). This being was actually perfect in his ways until iniquity, sin, was “found in” him (Ezekiel 28:15). Satan is the one who introduced sin into the universe and became the adversary of God and man (Isaiah 14). Ultimately, God will place the full responsibility for sin on its originator.

Presenting The Bible Story

John 1:33

“All things were made by Him; and without Him was not any thing made that was made.”

God created the angels. Before He did this, there had only been God. The angels loved God and worshiped Him. The angel that was the most beautiful of all the angels was Lucifer. The name *Lucifer* in Latin means “son of the morning.” God gave Lucifer wisdom and perfect beauty.

Ezekiel 28:12–15

Ezekiel described the beauty and perfection of Satan. He was the model of perfection. Just as everything God has created, Lucifer was a crowning jewel in God's angelic realm. Not only was Lucifer wise and beautiful, but he held the highest position of all of God's angels. Lucifer was given an exalted place to reside, Eden, the garden of God. Nine of the twelve stones mentioned here were worn in the breastplate of Israel's high priest (Exodus 28:15-20; 39:10–13). These beautiful stones adorned Lucifer. The cherubim were the inner circle of God's angels. These angels had the closest access to God and they guarded His holiness. Lucifer had access to God's holy mount, and he walked among the fiery stones. Then self-generated sin set in, corrupting Lucifer.

Read Isaiah 14:13,14

Lucifer began to dwell on how wise and beautiful he was. He thought about his greatness and about the important work God had given him to do. As he dwelled on these thoughts, he became proud. He forgot that only God is all-wise, all-powerful, and the Creator. Lucifer wanted to be above God! When this attitude took hold of Lucifer, Lucifer sinned against God. This was the first sin.

Ezekiel 28:16-19

God cast Lucifer down from the mount of God. He was expelled from God's government in heaven, but Lucifer still has access to God (Job 1:6–12; Zechariah 3:1–2). Not only did God cast him down but he also renamed him. Do you know his name today? Yes, Satan, also known as the Devil. Another name for him is found in John 8:44, “For he is a liar, and the father of it.”

Introduce
Memory Verse

James 4:7

Follow the
example of Jesus.

Matthew 4:1–11

Satan is not someone who dresses in red, has horns and carries a pitchfork. He is a powerful spirit. Let's turn to Ephesians 2:2. Satan is the “prince of the power of the air.” This means he has widespread influence on the earth. Satan and his demons are hoping to destroy all human beings and ruin their chance for entering the Family of God. Satan is our enemy and he wants us to disobey God.

Satan cannot make you sin. We have to resist him. Let's go over our memory verse. Turn to James 4:7: “Submit yourselves therefore to God.

Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.” Satan will flee from us if we resist him and draw near to God.

It is important that we follow the example of Jesus Christ and memorize Scripture. When Satan tried to tempt Jesus, how did Jesus answer him? That is correct, Jesus answered him by quoting Bible verses.

Satan's Time Line:

(a.) There will come a time, during the Tribulation, that Satan will be cast down to earth and be restricted here (Revelation 12:7-13).

(b.) Satan will be held in the bottomless pit during the Millennium (Revelation 20:1–3).

(c.) Satan will be released for a brief time at the end of the Millennium (Revelation 20:7–9).

(d.) He will then be cast into the lake of fire forever (Revelation 20:10).

Art and Activities

Teaching Activities

Young Children

Provide copies of Activity Page and pencils, and crayons or colored pens.

Older Children

Answer the questions about Satan. If you feel your students will need help, you may want to do this as a group. Give each group one of the scriptures; have each group try to answer the questions.

Provide copies of the Activity Page suitable for your class.

Explore the Subject

1. What does the word *resist* mean?

To stand against, fight against, to oppose.

2. How do you “resist?”

You pray daily to God, and ask Him to help you.

3. Why is it important to “resist” Satan?

You do not want to disobey God and sin. We should strive to obey God.

Respond and Reinforce

1. Give your students the opportunity to ask questions. Do not scare them about Satan, but reinforce the fact that God is all-powerful and He is with us, protecting us. Some questions they ask probably cannot be answered. Be careful about speculation.

Explore with
your students
the following
questions:

Always close your
class with prayer

Activity

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Read the Scriptures and then find the words hidden within the puzzle.
Words can be found reading in any direction: backwards, forward, up, down, across, etc.

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N	R	M	I	B	U	R	E	H	C
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U	C	R	E	F	I	C	U	L	D
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A	C	A	G	A	I	N	S	T	Q
E	E	B	O	S	L	E	G	N	A
B	D	C	D	R	A	B	Y	S	S

INIQUITY	CHERUBIM	POWER	AGAINST	SIN
ANGELS	SATAN	DECEIVE	BEAUTY	ABYSS
LUCIFER	LIE	PIT	PULL	ARMY
SONS	THRONE	WORLD	GOD	FLESH
PROUD	DEVILS	BEAUTIFUL	PRINCE	YOU

Activity

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Some of these words describe the character of Satan.

Choose the words that describe God, or describes Satan and write them in the space at the bottom of the page. Discuss how our actions reflect the characteristics of God and Satan.

Reliable

Hateful

Thoughtful

Scornful

Arrogant

Respectful

Disrespectful

Haughty

Deceitful

Unkind

Forgiving

Destructive

Impatient

Patient

Loving

Truthful

Cunning

My Friend

Gentle

Steals

Trustworthy

God is: _____

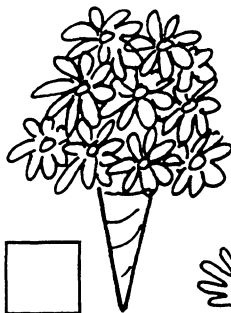
Satan is: _____

Activity

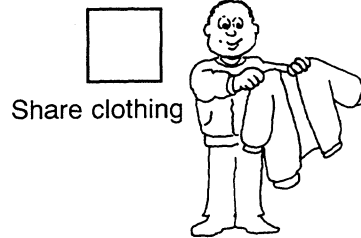
God's Helpers

Make a check mark beside the things you can do for others to show love for them.
Color the sheet.

Make a ✓ in the beside the things you can do.



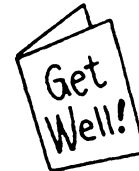
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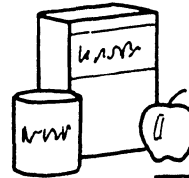
Share clothing



Pray



Send cards



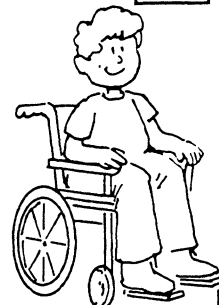
Share food



Smile



Give Water



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