



**Satan Accuses Believers before God, Job 1:6-12, 2:1-7a; Biblical Cycles of Perfection & Disorder; when Man Fell the Environment also Fell, Gen. 3:17-19**

12. In this capacity he is constantly seeking witnesses for the defense that he can bring before the Court to testify on his and the fallen angels' behalf.
13. The pool of witnesses through which he "prowls about, like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour," is the body of believers of every dispensation.
14. Since his fall, Lucifer has been an adversary of God and in the resultant Angelic Conflict he constantly seeks to accuse believers before the Supreme Court of Heaven as evidence for his case:

**Revelation 12:10b** - ... the accuser of our brethren has been thrown down, who accuses them before our God day and night.

15. In this verse we see a Greek word that is a synonym of **διάβολος** *diabolos* in the sense of its definition of "accuser." Here we see both the noun and the verb form of:

**κατηγορέω** *katēgoreō* - "to accuse someone of a thing"; "to speak against."

This is a legal term that refers to charges brought forward in court. The specific court is the Supreme Court of Heaven as per Revelation 12:10. Old Testament references of Satan as an accuser of men in the appeal trial have already been mentioned in Job 1 and Zechariah 3. [See Job 1:6-12; 2:1-7a]

16. How all of this got started was when Lucifer committed his original sin documented in:
 

**Ezekiel 28:16** - "By the proliferation of your egotistic thought and ideas your stream of consciousness was filled with the violence of rebellion and you sinned. Therefore, I have evicted you as defiled from the throne room, the mountain of God. And I have disgraced you, O covering cherub, from the stones of fire."
17. Because of Lucifer's sin, he was banished from the presence of the Lord in the third heaven.
18. This banishment precipitated the initial trial of Lucifer and of the entire angelic community. This period of judgment brought about events that occurred between Genesis 1:1 and Genesis 1:2.
19. The universe in the status quo of its original perfection was apparently for the use, function, and even the enjoyment of the angels. This means that the angels were able to move in and out of time and in and out of the eternal state.
20. During the original trial the angels' privilege to access the universe was withdrawn. To ensure that they could not become fugitives by escaping to the universe the angels were placed under house arrest in the eternal state until the trial was completed.
21. Two major passages document the fall of Lucifer: (1) Ezekiel 28:11-19 and (2) Isaiah 14: 12-14. The second of these sheds light on the situation that we now have in view: the chaotic situation in the universe that occurs between Genesis 1:1 and Genesis 1:2.
22. Isaiah 14:13-14 is Lucifer's proclamation of his Five Assertions, the first of which reads:

**Isaiah 14:13a** - "I will ascend into heaven."

23. This is the first assertion that Lucifer proffered to the angelic community. For him to proclaim that he would "ascend into heaven" indicates that these assertions were developed and presented somewhere in the universe.
24. Therefore, Lucifer's original sin occurred in the universe and in the environment of space and time. Up to that point the universe was in a condition of status quo perfection.



25. However, we know from the fall of man that sin destroys perfection and results in not only the fall of the sinner from continued relationship with God but also results in divine judgment upon the very environment in which the sinner functions.

**Genesis 3:17** - Then to Adam, Jesus Christ said, "Because you have listened to the voice of your wife, and have eaten from the tree about which I commanded you, saying, [ **Genesis 2:17a** ] 'You shall not eat of it'; cursed is the ground because of you; in toil you shall eat of it all the days of your life.

**v. 18** - "Both thorns and thistles it shall grow for you and you shall eat the plants of the field;

**Genesis 3:19** - by the sweat of your face you shall eat bread till you return to the ground because from it you were taken; for you are dust and to dust you shall return."