CSB (John 16:33) 33 I have told you these things so that in Me you may have peace. You will have suffering in this world. Be courageous! I have conquered the (Satan's) world."

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There is, starting from the first people, a battle between God (YHWH) and Satan, God's opponent. Satan disputes whether God had the right to demand, that it was not allowed to eat of the tree of good and evil.

The universal battle question is; Are there people who remain unconditionally faithful to God purely through obedience to God (YHWH) and the words of His Son?

Christians love their Heavenly Father and His Son and it is for that reason that Satan wants to eradicate Christianity with root and branch. If Satan wins, humanity will be destroyed. Satan will make it extremely difficult for Christians to remain faithful.

He has a comprehensive plan for this;

Persecution of Christians by engulfing them with imports of young Muslim men, followed by the oppressive Sharia law.

Completely submerge the population with insoluble debts by the central banks.

Also, the small group of international super-rich on earth is involved in Satan's plan by introducing globalism and communism and therewith taking away all liberties. (We will return to this extensively in a subsequent article)

And with Judaism, with the laws of Noah. Not only in Islam, but also Jewish rabbis still think they are God's chosen people and still expect the Messiah.

The (Christian) world will thereby be consciously led towards chaos, with the intention of having order restored out of chaos by 'the foretold Antichrist'.

Is this unlikely to you and do you have difficulty believing that this is Satan's plan? Then let's ask you a question:

Do you believe that Jesus is the Son of God and the promised Messiah?

Because with the answer to that question, Christians will be intense persecuted.

## Theme: Satan and the road to chaos, an ordeal as in the case of Job.

In a number of articles we go through the developments of the current (satanic) world.

First, which spiritual beings and which persons do we have to deal with?

Then, what is the seed of Satan already doing or preparing?

How will we as Christians still be tested by this world and what freedoms and rights will still be taken away from Christians? But know this; Christians who make plans for the future <u>based on fear</u> will certainly be disappointed.

Jesus teaches us that we never have to be afraid, also not for Satan and his wicked world:

NKJV (Mark 4: 39-40) 39 Then He arose and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace, be still!" And the wind ceased and there was a great calm. 40 But He said to them, "Why are you so fearful? How is it that you have no faith?"

Or as James wrote:

NKJV (James 4: 7) 7 Therefore submit to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you.

# Know your adversary, Satan. Who is he?

Be critical and be guided solely by the Christ. Jesus once said the following about protection:

CSB (Luke 11: 21-23) 21 When a strong man, fully armed, guards his estate, his possessions are secure. 22 But when one stronger than he attacks and overpowers him, he takes from him all his weapons, the armor and weapons of a foot soldier; he trusted in, and divides up his plunder. 23 Anyone who is not with Me is against Me, and anyone who does not gather with Me scatters.

Satan means opponent of God. He was a rebellious angel who had a special task. Because of the sins and disobedience of the first people, Satan was able to take hold of humanity, for they had believed him.

It is almost certain that this has been the moment that Satan has enforced the role of ruler, for God and for all angelic sons, and that he has enforced the position to prove that. He has been the prince of this world since the sins of the first humans:

(For further explanation, see <a href="https://www.dojc.nl/?p=4361&lang=en">https://www.dojc.nl/?p=4361&lang=en</a>)

**NKJV** (Luke 4: 6) 6 And the devil said to Him, "All this authority I will give You, and their glory; for this has been delivered to me, and I give it to whomever I wish. **NKJV** (John 14:30) 30 I will no longer talk much with you, for the ruler of this world is coming, and he has nothing in Me.

He is the (indirect) murderer of the righteous Abel and of Jesus and will not hesitate to have Christians eliminated:

NKJV (John 8:44) 44 ....He was a murderer from the beginning....

In Ezekiel, there is a message addressed to the king of Tire, but in reality it is about Satan:

NKJV (Ezekiel 28: 12-15) 12 "Son of man, take up a lamentation for the king of Tyre, and say to him, 'Thus says the Lord God: "You were the seal of perfection, Full of wisdom and perfect in beauty. 13 You were in Eden, the garden of God; Every precious stone was your covering: The sardius, topaz, and diamond, Beryl, onyx, and jasper, Sapphire, turquoise, and emerald with gold. The workmanship of your timbrels and pipes Was prepared for you on the day you were created. 14 "You were the anointed cherub who covers; I established you; You were on the holy mountain of God; You walked back and forth in the midst of fiery stones. 15 You were perfect in your ways from the day you were created, Till iniquity was found in you.

"You were in Eden"; Satan was in paradise with the first people.

Satan (as a serpent - see Rev. 12: 9) first sowed doubt and then spoke lies to Eve. This is what God said to him because of his lies:

NKJV (Genesis 3:15) 15 And I will put enmity Between you and the woman, And between your seed and her Seed; ....

The seed of the woman are the children of God. Those are the ones who are not a part of this world. With the seed of the snake are the people considered, who belong to Satan:

NKJV (1 John 3:10) 10 In this the children of God and the children of the devil are manifest: Whoever does not practice righteousness is not of God, nor is he who does not love his brother.

Always keep your eyes in steadfastness fixed on Jesus Christ, who faithfully conquered Satan (who had power over death):

CSB (Hebrews 2: 14-15) 14 Now since the children have flesh and blood in common, He also shared in these, so that through His death He might destroy the one holding the power of death-that is, the Devil- 15 and free those who were held in slavery all their lives by the fear of death.

No Christian will be able to easily navigate through the problems of the last days, Satan will surely take care of that:

NKJV (1 Peter 5: 8) 8 Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour.

After Jesus was baptized by John the Baptist, Jesus went to the desert to fast for 40 days. The mightiness of Satan is evident from his offer to Jesus:

NKJV (Matthew 4: 8, 9) 8 Again, the devil took Him up on an exceedingly high mountain, and showed Him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. 9 And he said to Him, "All these things I will give You if You will fall down and worship me."

What does Satan strive for, what moves him?

Satan wants to equate himself with the almighty God (YHWH) and to raise himself above the Son of God:

CSB (Isaiah 14: 12-14) 12 Shining morning star, how you have fallen from the heavens! You destroyer of nations, you have been cut down to the ground. 13 You said to yourself: "I will ascend to the heavens; I will set up my throne above the stars of God. I will sit on the mount of the [gods'] assembly, in the remotest parts of the North. 14 I will ascend above the highest clouds; I will make myself like the Most High."

Satan wants to be like God, to be worshiped as God in order to humiliate God. That Satan is a powerful spiritual creature turns also out of the history of Job. Satan expressed his doubts about why Job was so pious and sincere. Then God gave all of Job's properties and children in Satan's hand for this special ordeal, but he was not allowed to touch Job's life:

CSB (Job 1: 11-12) 11 But stretch out Your hand and strike everything he owns, and he will surely curse You to Your face." 12 "Very well," the Lord told Satan, "everything he owns is in your power. However, you must not lay a hand on Job [himself]." So Satan went out from the Lord's presence.

As it turned out, Satan was allowed to use power over the forces of nature and fire fell from heaven that consumed the sheep and servants. A fierce storm blew up so the house where Job's children were staying collapsed (Job 1: 16, 19). Satan also gained power over violent actions (Job 1: 15, 17) and over diseases and ulcers (Job 2: 7). But he couldn't go beyond what

God allowed.

With all his power, he is thus unable to break God's protection, but we must certainly not underestimate the cherub Satan.

Satan's goal is clear, he will do everything he can to deceive the entire human world:

NKJV (Revelation 12: 9) 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.

Satan knew very precisely that the Son of God was the one, who had been prophesied, that He would crush him in the head (Ge 3:15). Jesus died under the influence of Satan and the resurrected Son of God ascended to His heavenly Father so that the Holy Spirit could come:

NKJV. (John 16: 7-11) 7 Nevertheless I tell you the truth. It is to your advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you; but if I depart, I will send Him to you. 8 And when He has come, He will convict the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment: 9 of sin, because they do not believe in Me; 10 of righteousness, because I go to My Father and you see Me no more; 11 of judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged.

Yes, Satan has caused Jesus to be killed, but he did not know that the Holy Spirit would then come to assist Jesus' disciples. Also, Jesus prayed fervently for His disciples:

NKJV (John 17: 15-16) 15 I do not pray that You should take them out of the world, but that You should keep them from the evil one. 16 They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world.

Satan is unambiguously the prince of this world, and every war and injustice on earth can be explained by Satan as ruler together with his demon princes. It is their directed influence on the sons of disobedience, the children of Satan.

#### The children of Satan

The coming of Jesus to earth was the beginning of the good seed. A new opportunity for all people on earth. But immediately afterwards, Satan also began to sow his seed. He wants to keep as many people as possible away from the best news that is possible. Jesus told a parable about this:

CSB (Matthew 13: 24-30) 24 He presented another parable to them: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field. 25 But while people were sleeping, his enemy came, sowed weeds among the wheat, and left. 26 When the plants sprouted and produced grain, then the weeds also appeared. 27 The landowner's slaves came to him and said, 'Master, didn't you sow good seed in your field? Then where did the weeds come from?' 28 " 'An enemy did this!' he told them. " 'So, do you want us to go and gather them up?' the slaves asked him. 29 " 'No,' he said. 'When you gather up the weeds, you might also uproot the wheat with them. 30 Let both grow together until the harvest. At harvest time I'll tell the reapers: Gather the weeds first and tie them in bundles to burn them, but store the wheat in my barn. ' "

Then the explanation of the parable of the weeds followed:

CSB (Matthew 13: 36-39) 36 Then He dismissed the crowds and went into the house. His disciples approached Him and said, "Explain the parable of the weeds in the field to us." 37 He replied: "The One who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; 38 the field is the world; and the good seed-these are the sons of the kingdom. The weeds are the sons of the evil one, and 39 the enemy who sowed them is the Devil. The harvest is the end of the age, and the harvesters are angels.

What Satan sows is, for example, the pursuit of wealth.

Apparently he is the lord and master of it, with trading partners who have joined in with violence.

Some people have become infected with Satan's ideas of unjust trade, they have become children of Satan with that.

Because their father Satan himself was an example of abundant and dishonest trade:

CSB (Ezekiel 28: 15-18) 15 From the day you were created you were blameless in your ways until wickedness was found in you. 16 Through the abundance of your trade, you were filled with violence, and you sinned. So I expelled you in disgrace from the mountain of God, and banished you, guardian cherub, from among the fiery stones. 17 Your heart became proud because of your beauty; For the sake of your splendor you corrupted your wisdom. So I threw you down to the earth; I made a spectacle of you before kings. 18 You profaned your sanctuaries by the magnitude of your iniquities in your dishonest trade....

## Recognize the children of Satan, so you can stay faithfully

Were the Jews children of Satan in Jesus' day?

Many Jews came to insight and started to believe in Jesus' words.

A number of Jewish leaders were children of Satan who were agitating the other Jews according to oral traditions. They thereby deliberately caused the death of the Christ.

Are the Jews in these days' children of Satan?

Many Jews are secular and hardly believe.

By preaching they can come to repentance and start believing in the already appeared Messiah.

A number of Jewish rabbis are – to the example of the Pharisees - children of Satan, who are agitating Jews for the laws of Noah (according to the Talmud). They thereby initiate Christian persecution. (Noah's laws are extensively discussed in a following article) Jesus once said the following to the Scribes and Pharisees:

NKJV (John 8:44) 44 You are of your father the devil, and the desires of your father you want to do....

Are the Muslims children of Satan?

Many Muslims abhor the violence and murder in the name of Islam.

But they do want to continue to adhere to their own culture and belief in the moon god Allah. People who want to stay strongly connected with their culture and (false) religion are hard to convince. (See for Allah: 3. Worship of the 'image' <a href="https://www.dojc.nl/?p=6810&lang=en">https://www.dojc.nl/?p=6810&lang=en</a>) They can, however, come to repentance through testimony and then start believing in the Christian Messiah.

A number of Muslim leaders are children of Satan who are agitating Muslims for violent persecution of both Christians and Jews, so that Sharia law will be implemented.

And politicians or celebrities who are involved in occult meetings and practices?

Or world leaders who are working on a globalist or communist agenda? Who betray their own people? (We will return to this extensively in a following article)

Or unreliable media journalists who deliberately write lies?

Giving those trivial subjects a stage and are not writing about the real problems or play down the real problems.

Or the film industry that is constantly pushing the limits of extreme violence and pornography?

You can deduct from their wicked behavior that they are children of Satan.

Are the small number of very rich family's children of Satan?

Not all rich people are children of Satan. Abraham was a rich but just man. Those who do not care about their means and therewith on the contrary do well, are open to the gospel. But those who are controlling the whole world 'as globalists' to become with their money even more powerful are unmistakably the children of Satan.

Many people (including many Christians) are just too busy with daily activities and appointment that they no longer take the time to discern the important matters in their lives. Satan's children are by definition unscrupulous without natural love and mercy (Rom. 1: 30-31) and engage in occult meetings, secret organizations and agreements. They are fully engaged in the manipulation of our global society. And by their fruits you will recognize them (Matt. 7: 16-20).

#### The children of the kingdom

The human world was created by Jesus in consultation with His Father, but with a completely different purpose than it has become. This grandiose creation was meant to make people happy in a paradise setting:

NKJV (John 1:10) 10 He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know Him.

Jesus explains that both He and His disciples are not of this world:

**NKJV** (John 15:19) 19 If you were of the world, the world would love its own. Yet because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, therefore the world hates you. **NKJV** (John 17:16) 16 They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world.

The children of Satan can be recognized by the fact that they never consider Christian just insights as the most important starting points:

NKJV (1 John 3:10) 10 In this the children of God and the children of the devil are manifest: Whoever does not practice righteousness is not of God....

Don't make friends with the unjust children of Satan:

NKJV (James 4: 4) 4 Adulterers and adulteresses! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Whoever therefore wants to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God.

The world of Satan's children with their secret agenda, the practice of occultism with his godless rituals and sex worship.

Sexual perversity is a characteristic of submission to Satan.

It is actually waging a war against our reliable Creator:

CSB (Ephesians 5: 11-12) 11 Don't participate in the fruitless works of darkness, but instead, expose them. 12 For it is shameful even to mention what is done by them in secret.

But the most important battle that Christians are waging is against Satan with his demons, or in other words, the spiritual forces of evil in heaven:

CSB (Ephesians 6: 11-12) 11 Put on the full armor of God so that you can stand against the tactics of the Devil. 12 For our battle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the world powers of this darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavens.

Christians conquer the world through their faith in the Christ:

CSB (1 John 5: 4-5) 4 because whatever has been born of God conquers the world. This is the victory that has conquered the world: our faith. 5 And who is the one who conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

#### The tower of Babel and the beginning of globalism

It was Nimrod who founded the city of Babel in southern Mesopotamia, in the land of Shinar. God (YHWH) had commanded the first people to fill and subdue the earth (Gen. 1:28), just as God had commanded Noah (Gen. 9: 1,7). Nimrod was the first ruler with supremacy on earth after the flood. He was against God.

The Jewish historian Flavius Josephus wrote in Antiquities of the Jews Chapter 4:

- 4:2 Now it was Nimrod who excited them to such an affront and contempt of God....
- 4:3 Now the multitude were very ready to follow the determination of Nimrod, and to esteem it a piece of cowardice to submit to God; and they built a tower....

NKJV (Genesis 11: 1-2) 1 Now the whole earth had one language and one speech. 2 And it came to pass, as they journeyed from the east, that they found a plain in the land of Shinar, and they dwelt there.

About 2200 BC the people no longer wanted to be scattered.

They wanted - under the influence of Nimrod - to be independent of God and the tower would become the symbol of their independence (Genesis 11: 3-4).

It was their rebellion against God, the resistance to God's command to fill the earth.

According to historians, the city of Babel had many temples with many idols such as Marduk, the sun god Shamash, the moon god Sin, the fertility goddess Ishtar and idols such as Anu, Enlil and Ea. When the people's speech was confused and they could no longer understand each other, the people wherever they went took their false religion with them, which they

continued under new names. Such as offering children to Moloch. (4. Community https://www.dojc.nl/?p=6299&lang=en)



Pieter Bruegel de Oude (1563)

Because of the confusion of speech, the assembly of the population around Nimrod and its central world government was broken and the people were again scattered across the earth by God to inhabit and cultivate the earth:

NKJV (Genesis 11: 5-7) 5 But the Lord came down to see the city and the tower which the sons of men had built. 6 And the Lord said, "Indeed the people are one and they all have one language, and this is what they begin to do; now nothing that they propose to do will be withheld from them. 7 Come, let Us go down and there confuse their language, that they may not understand one another's speech."

An end came to this godless world government with its independence thinking. Where much idolatry and worship of Satan with his demons was practiced.

Later in the articles we will see that in the last days this independence thought comes back completely. And also the worship and glorification of Satan.

But what is the role of the Jewish people in this? We will come back to this extensively.

#### **Finally:**

Do not participate in so-called innocent activities with nicely wrapped words:

NKJV (Ephesians 5: 6) 6 Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience.

The children of Satan take every opportunity to please their godless leader. Like when Paul and Barnabas wanted to tell the governor Sergius Paul about Jesus: NKJV (Acts 13: 6-12) 6 Now when they had gone through the island (Cyprus) to Paphos, they found a certain sorcerer, a false prophet, a Jew whose name was Bar-Jesus, 7 who was with the proconsul, Sergius Paulus, an intelligent man. This man called for Barnabas and Saul and sought to hear the word of God. 8 But Elymas the sorcerer (for so his name is translated) withstood them, seeking to turn the proconsul away from the faith. 9 Then Saul, who also is called Paul, filled with the Holy Spirit, looked intently at him and said, "O full of all deceit and all fraud, you son of the devil, you enemy of all righteousness, will you not cease perverting the straight ways of the Lord? 11 And now, indeed, the hand of the Lord is upon you, and you shall be blind, not seeing the sun for a time." And immediately a dark mist fell on him, and he went around seeking someone to lead him by the hand. 12 Then the proconsul believed, when he saw what had been done, being astonished at the teaching of the Lord.

In [Part 2] we continue with the traditions in the Mishnah and Talmud. That the Jews are no longer God's people, the different Jewish movements, the Kabbalah and the laws of Noah.

P.S. On the site 'Disciples of Jesus Christ' there are more substantive Christian articles.