

HOW CAN SATAN BE SO EFFECTIVE AT TEMPTING ME?


- ✓ CAN HE READ MY MIND?
- ✓ DOES HE KNOW MY TEMPTATIONS?
- ✓ DOES HE PLACE THEM IN FRONT OF ME?
- ✓ CAN HE MAKE ME SIN?



A. WHO WAS ONCE THE “ANOINTED CHERUB” (EZEKIEL 28:13-14)

B. WHO IS DESCRIBED AS ONE FULL OF PRIDE (EZEKIEL 28:16-19)

C. ONLY GOD HAS COMPLETE KNOWLEDGE (PSALM 139)




1) SATAN IS A
CREATED BEING

A. EXAMPLE OF JOB (JOB 1:6-12)

B. TEMPTATIONS OF JESUS (MATTHEW 4:1-11)

- 1) IF SATAN COULD READ MINDS HE WOULD HAVE ALTERED HIS STRATEGY.
- 2) SATAN WAS SIMPLY SEARCHING FOR CRACKS IN THE SON OF GOD.




2) HIS **KNOWLEDGE IS**
BY
COMMUNICATION

1 PETER 5:8

Be of sober *spirit*, be on the alert.
Your adversary, the devil, prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour.


(NASB)



EPHESIANS 6:12

For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the powers, against the world forces of this darkness, against the spiritual *forces* of wickedness in the heavenly *places*.

(NASB)



A. SATAN'S STRATEGIES

- 1) FALSE TEACHING (LUKE 8:11-12, REV. 12:9)



**3) SATAN CAN AFFECT
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LUKE 8:11-12

“Now the parable is this: the seed is the word of God. ¹² Those beside the road are those who have heard; then the devil comes and takes away the word from their heart, so that they will not believe and be saved.

(NASB)



REVELATION 12:9

And the great dragon was thrown down, the serpent of old who is called the devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world; he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him.

(NASB)



A. SATAN'S STRATEGIES

- 1) FALSE TEACHING (LUKE 8:11-12, REV. 12:9)
- 2) DISGUISE (2 COR. 11:13-14)

B. SATAN HAS A WORKING KNOWLEDGE

- 1) DUE TO PAST SINS/BEHAVIORS OF MAN

C. SATAN IS A STUDENT WHO WILL USE WHAT YOU GIVE HIM

- 1) DUE TO YOUR PAST SINS/BEHAVIORS



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D. SATAN CANNOT AFFECT OUR DECISIONS

(MATTHEW 4:1-11)

- 1) JESUS DEFEATED HIM (MT. 4:1-11; HEB. 2:14)
- 2) WE HAVE THE SAME RESPONSIBILITY



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