

God's Plan of Protection

Gen. 3:1-6

Malachi 2:17 – Making the Lord “weary”

Satan has a system of getting his work accomplished. It is the activation of rulership to master and control the thinking of all mankind.

- God is Sovereign – King and Ruler of the universe
- Satan is the ruler of this world
- Jesus Christ is the controller of history

Since Satan is the ruler of the world – then evil (satanic thinking) is rampant. There is an all-out battle for soul control.

- Soul Control (SC) or Evil control (EC) demon influence
- Thoughts of God
- Thoughts of Satan
- The Word neutralizes evil
- Evil distorts grace

Gen. 3:1-6 – Eve did not understand Satan's Plan, Policy and Procedure of GOOD and EVIL and she accepted it.

In the millennium, unbelievers will not understand Satan's Plan, Policy and Procedure and will accept it. A GREAT BIG PROBLEM existed then and still exists now. People will not listen to GRACE. Look at SATAN'S plan for the lost and SAVED:

- For the lost – his plan of good and evil could only produce spiritual *DEATH* in time and the Second Death in the eternal lake of fire.

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- For the saved, his plan, policy and procedure results in backsliding, loss of blessings in time, and loss of rewards in eternity. Evil then is what a person under satanic influence *THINKS*. *Good* (human good – energy of the flesh activity) is what a person *DOES* under satanic influence.

God has a protection Plan – He did in the garden, and He does now—*THE TREE OF LIFE. (NOT THE TREE OF THE KNOWLEDGE OF GOOD AND EVIL.) NOW IT IS THE MIND OF THE LJC. IT IS SOUL INSULATION.* The First *ADVENT* of the 2nd *ADAM* was to take care of *SIN*. The rapture and the 2nd Advent of the 2nd *ADAM* will take care of *evil*.

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VS. 1 – Satan is one of the most beautiful products of God's Creation. Satan was not primarily after Eve's *body* but her *soul*. He desired to penetrate her soul. *SATAN HAD A MESSAGE HE WANTED TO GET INTO THE SOUL OF EVE—IT IS NOT THE MESSENGER BUT THE MESSAGE. TODAY IT IS THE COMMUNICATION – NOT THE COMMUNICATOR. GOD'S MESSAGE – NOT EARTHLY PROCLAIMORS.*

Look now at [Gen. 3:1](#) Satan said “*Yea, hath God said:*” (Is it really true – Satan insinuates that God is unfair, unkind – you will really miss something if you listen to God). What kind of a God do you have who would keep you from all these wonderful things. *SATAN IS MALIGNING GOD!* Satan wanted *EVE* to engage in conversation. She is provoked to talk. (Is that normal?) Eve is now extremely touched by the fact that she can now straighten out the situation. Her *EGO* had received a *PEP SHOT*. Pride kicked in – adrenalin flowing. So often the non-biblically oriented sweet, precious, non-gracious women desire to set things in order. When filled with egotism folk are easily deceived.

[Gen. 3:2, 3](#) – Eve, now engaged in conversation with her pet, (though Satan was speaking), and is going to set things straight. She has moved out on the *ROAD* of *PRIDE* – (not a narrow lane but a wide express way). When folk travel down the highway of superciliousness, egotism, they will think and speak satanically. Eve said “*We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden, but vs.3 of the fruit of the tree*

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which is in the midst of the Garden God...." (She should have said Jehovah (Communicator) /Elohim (creator) which means communicator of a message. She used Elohim which means the creator of everything – the manufacture of everything. She dropped *JEHOVAH*. Why? She is on the creation downhill road.

Gen. 3:3 – God (*Elohim*) hath said *"Ye shall not eat of it"* God did say that. *"Neither shall ye touch it."* God did not say that – Eve's addition. Eve's thinking is off now since she has concluded that death somehow existed in the tree (poison or something), and that by touching it as well as eating she would die. The death was in the act of *DISOBEDIENCE TO GOD—NOT IN TOUCHING THE TREE. DEATH LAY IN THE DISOBEDIENCE TO GOD'S PLAN.*

The ability to eat is God-given. Nothing wrong with that. Everyone eats – (lost-saved rich-poor skinny-fat tall-short black-white). Eating within itself is not wrong. If it is a violation as in **vs.6** – then it is wrong. Vs. 6 reveals that Eve ate in disobedience to God's Plan.

Gen. 3:4 is a direct lie from Satan. *"You shall not die!"* Emphatically *"Not DIE!"* EVE – which one will you believe? She has already been resisting since she is in conversation with Satan. *DUAL UNFAITHFULNESS – TO GOD AND HER HUSBAND – HER ARROGANCE CAUSES HER TO BE REJECTING AUTHORITY.*

Satan encouraged Eve to be arrogant and proud then he put the pressure on. He challenged her arrogance.

When pride was under pressure, and then came the jealousy and unfaithfulness. Satan knows how to speak to Eve. And Satan knows how to speak to you and me.

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Gen. 3:5 – *“The Elohim keeps knowing (knows) that in the day ye eat. Then your eyes will be open and you will be as smart as He is.”* What a thing to say to a lady!!! That appealed to EVE!

Knowing good and *EVIL* – Now an omniscient (all knowing) God knows Satan's Plan. Mankind did not!! People must have knowledge of *“GOOD AND EVIL.”* *KNOW SATAN'S PLAN AS WELL AS GOD'S PLAN. WHAT ALL OF US NEED IS A CONTINUOUS RELATIONSHIP AND FELLOWSHIP WITH THE LORD!*

Gen. 3:6 – Now the woman looks at the tree again. Read [vs. 6](#)

Eve wanted to be smart. She realizes her beauty ([Gen. 2:21, 22](#)) now to add to that – *SMART*.

- *“She took”*
- *“She ate”*
- *“She gave”* Here the woman is leading the ruler of the world who was created by a Sovereign God.
- *“And he did eat”*

UNDERSTANDING THE “TREE OF KNOWLEDGE OF GOOD AND EVIL” – THERE ARE 3 AREAS THAT MUST BE STUDIED:

1. PRIDE ([I Tim. 6:17](#); [I Tim. 1:18](#))
2. EVIL
3. HUMAN GOOD (Works Of the Flesh) [Romans 12:9](#); *“Let love be without hypocrisy, shrink, attach no value to evil, cleave, cling, be glued to the good.”* [Romans 12:21](#) *“Be not conquered under the evil, but conquer by means of the good, the EVIL.”*