Daniel 10

Continuing Introduction to **The Invisible Warfare**

Angels are real!

They are supernatural creatures created by God.

I One Will

II. Triune God

Creation of Angels—Two Wills

IV. Conflict

V. Result of the Conflict

VI. The Challenge

VII. Resolving *The Angelic Conflict*

VIII. The Angelic Realm

The Trial

IX. THE TRIAL

- God responds to this challenge by creating a creature lower and inferior to angels, call mankind, and placed them on the only planet designed for habitation –planet earth Hebrews 2:7 Hebrews 1 and 2 are more in depth study of angels and The Angelic Conflict.
- 2. Man's volition is tested under two systems:
 - a. Before the Fall of mankind: In innocence (not perfect Righteousness) he was ignorant of sin, he

- had no sin nature but man did have volition just as the angels had volition.
- b. The test was a tree, the tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil in the Garden.
 Man failed this test and sinned—failed to trust God and Submit by faith, he failed to keep on trusting God.
- c. At this point Satan thinks he has won! Two things Satan does not understand, and hates: The Grace of God and the Love of God.
- d. After the fall: in sinfulness mankind has a sin nature, which is passed on to every human being born into the human race with the exception of Jesus Christ. This sin nature is now called Inherited Sin Nature yet each individual still possesses free will. The test this time was a new tree--the Cross. This time man could trust God and the One He sent—His Son or choose not to trust God (that is to believe in Jesus Christ).
- 3. While it is wonderful every time a member of human race believes in Jesus Christ, the very offering of Salvation of the Imputation of Perfect Righteousness by Grace through Faith, this resolves *The Angelic Conflict*.
- 4. Therefore, in this ongoing trial (-battle-), Satan seeks to keep every man from believing in Jesus Christ and he seeks to keep ever believer from living in Spirit Filled Life by the Filling of the Holy Spirit and from growing in the Knowledge of Jesus Christ.

And Satan does everything he can to keep believers from glorifying God and His Son, Jesus Christ.

- 5. Mankind is now under angelic observation. Angels are watching you all the time, you and all unbelivers and believers. They are learning about God, about Grace and Divine Love by watching the human racer. Luke 15:7, 10; Ephesians 3:10; 1 Timothy 5:21; 1 Peter 1:12; 1 Corinthians 4:9; 6:3; and 11:10
- 6. You are in **The Invisible Warfare** everyday of your life.

Through the fall of man, Satan gained control of this planet. Faith in Jesus Christ not only frees man from the Law and from his Inherited Sin Nature, but from the power of Satan. Ephesians 2:1-7

You are in The invisible Warfare...

Ephesians 2:1-7

¹ And you were dead in your trespasses and sins,
² in which you formerly walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, of the spirit that is now working in the sons of disobedience.

³ Among them we too all formerly lived in the lusts of our flesh, indulging the desires of the flesh and of the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, even as the rest.

⁴ But God, being rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us,

⁵ even when we were dead in our transgressions, made us alive together ^[g] with Christ (by grace you have been saved),

⁶ and raised us up with Him, and seated us with Him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus,

⁷ so that in the ages to come He might show the surpassing riches of His grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.

As powerful as angels are, God has given to every believer of the Church Age everything necessary for our part in this battle. First He has given to everyone who believes in Jesus Christ the Indwelling of the Holy Spirit. And He has given us an armor...

"The Whole Armor of God!"

Ephesian 6:10-17 The Armor of God ¹⁰ Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of His might.

¹¹ Put on the full armor of God, so that you will be able to stand firm against the schemes of the devil.

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.

¹³ Therefore, take up the full armor of God, so that you will be able to resist in the evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm.

14 Stand firm therefore, HAVING GIRDED YOUR LOINS WITH TRUTH, and HAVING PUT ON THE BREASTPLATE OF RIGHTEOUSNESS,

¹⁵ and having shod YOUR FEET WITH THE PREPARATION OF THE GOSPEL OF PEACE:

¹⁶ in addition to all, taking up the shield of faith with which you will be able to extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one.

¹⁷ And take THE HELMET OF SALVATION, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

Note carefully twice we are instructed to stand firm. We are not to take them on in battle. Even Michael could not 'take on' Satan. Jude 1.

- 7. While the trial, the conflict goes on, the major outcome has already been decided.
 - a. Jesus Christ became man through the virgin birth
 - b. By this birth Jesus was lower than the angels.

- c. The humanity of Jesus Christ is now higher than as He sits at the Right Hand of God
- d. By our faith in Jesus Christ we are placed 'in Christ' and therefore, positionally we are at the ${\it Right}$

Hand of God. Therefore, we are positionally higher than angels Hebrews 1:4-14

Extemporaneous Notes Not Included In Original Written Message Satan is enraged that Jesus Christ is seated at the right hand of God. In the middle of the tribulation when Satan comes back made. And he comes back mad. That's when the Great Tribulation begins. That's when the Jews are treated as they have never been treated in history.

This is between you and I. The Angelic Conflict is real. Few Christians know and understand this. Most unbelievers don't know it. It is not taught in a lot of churches because Pastors too often don't want to study. But for the pastor that will goes into the Bible and studies, it (The Angelic Conflict) is real... the Bible teaches it.

Elect Angels and Demon Angels are real. And they do interfere with your life.

But you must remember, we have three (3) ENEMIES. The Devil, of course, but The World, and The Flesh also Today there are movements within the church that want to teach you that all of your problems are the result of the Devil in your life. They tell you "The Devil's after you" or "A Demon is after you." "Be careful of the Devil." "Be careful of the Demon."

THE DEMONIC issue is EVERYTHING according to them. But don't you make the mistake of blaming everything on Satan. You have to take some blame, too.

Your Flesh is powerful. Remember that.

We are going to study the Angelic Conflict, as we should,

But we have three (3) enemies.
The Devil; The World; and The Flesh.
Not just one enemy.

We will study the Angelic Conflict, but be careful. Study it fearfully, but not 'in fear.'

"Oh, the Devil's after me", you are told to say.

This is not always true. Often your weak Flesh is making decisions and your Volition and Faith are at issue. And then

you have The World and their agenda pull at you.

Another thing to remember... Demons prefer Darkness. Now for a long time AFRICA was a dark continent and demonic activity was very active because the Word of God was not being preached on that continent.

Missionary used to tell these strange stories. "Things are happening". Because Demon's were there where there was Spiritual Darkness.

Today the USA is becoming Dark.

"GET RID OF THE BIBLE".

Why? Because as long as you have scripture, you have to deal with CREATION, not just EVOLUTION.

"GET RID OF THE BIBLE".

Because you don't need a Morality.

Things in the USA are becoming more and more immoral.

We've moved away from the Cross;

We've moved away from the Christ;

We've moved away from the Holy Spirit;

We've moved away from the Bible.

Things have become Dark.

And Demons are attracted to Darkness. Demons don't like the light of scripture. Demons are more and more involved with activities in America.

One of my good friend, got trapped into DEMONS. One thing led to another... and it just happened.

You hear stories about pastor's getting demons out of people... People, these things are real.

Theologians like Barnhouse didn't have demon encounters because he stayed close to the light of Scripture.

But as we move away from The Word of God, that attracts DEMONS.

I tell young people be careful. Don't get involved in Demonic activities. For example, if you go to New Orleans, don't be interested in those magic tea-reading-rooms. Demons see who is interested in this stuff and they attack. While they cannot indwell a believer, Demons can still cause a lot of Soul Damage in your life when you get sucked in to the occult. They can cause great damage in your thinking.

Demonic activity is REAL.

Don't go to exorcisms and the like. Stay away. Demons are there. They are still looking for ways to stop you from growing in Knowledge of Jesus Christ.

You can expect an increase in demonic activity in America today.

So remember, you have three (3) Enemies. The World; T The Flesh; and the Devil.

Out Flesh nature increases as American becomes Darker. When you are powered by the Holy Spirit, he protects you.

But Demons attack Christian Marriages. It's not always the FLESH (the carnal). It's not always the World (Satan's plan). The Devil doesn't like Born-Again Believers to make a marriage.

Often it IS Demonic activity.

The World and The Flesh are also attacking marriages. Charles Schults has Charlie Brown saying to Lucy "Does it really help to blame someone?" Lucy replies "No, but it's always nice to have someone to blame."

Remember Ephesian 5:

Don't succumb to things of the world and Flesh nature problems.

"Greater than he that is within you, than he that is in the world."

Satan himself can only be one place at a time and currently he seems to occupied with WASHINGTON D.C.

But one of his demons might be around you.

DON'T BLAME THE DEVIL. He is not Omnipresent. I used to say he was in California; but he seems to be pre-occupied in Washington D.C. today.

Verse By Verse teaching of the Word of God is not always popular... crowds don't always congregate to that type of teaching. Pastor's such as Joel Olsteen, and many others like him, don't want the harsh truth of the Gospel.

But just because Pastor's are failing, don't think for a moment the conflict is not real

The Angelic Conflict is real. Now, don't become a weirdo about it and go off on a tangent. Simply stick to the Teaching

of Word of God and live your life according his teaching, having been saved by Jesus Christ and Indwelt by God the Holy Spirit. Now let's continue with our teaching.

Daniel 10:13

- 1. From here (Daniel 10:13) on to end at Daniel 12:13 gives the history of Israel under Gentile rule
- 2. This time period is described in Daniel 9:26 even to the end there will be war; desolations are determined
- 3. This is remarkable—this again proves that out God is the only God who can tell what is going to happen in history. This should give everyone the proof that the Bible is accurate **and** truthful **and** trustworthy. Not only in regards to history but also creation, **and**, also, Salvation.
- 4. This is a summary description of history of Israel; war **and** desolation—out of the land. And as we look back at some 2500 years of history, this describes what the history of Israel has been like—war, when they are in the land **and** desolation out of the land. This takes it up right to today **and** it is not going to get any better until the 490 years are over **and** Messiah returns to the earth, to establish His kingdom. Only then will there be peace in the land of Israel. This is why knowledgeable Jews are waiting for the coming (return) of the Messiah, so they can

experience this peace.

- 5. **Daniel, chapters** 10 thru 11, gives a description of the war **and** desolation suffered by Israel under Gentile rule. Even today, while Israel is a recognized nation, they are still under the United Nations and under the United State **and** what they do is determined by nations **and** people around them.
- 6. But when the times of the Gentiles is over, at the end of 490 years **and** the Promised Messiah is come...Jesus...they will be at peace **and** they will rule the world. The Nations of the world will come to Israel for judicial, political **and** economic decisions.
- 7. To get some idea how your theology **and** eschatology shape how you interpret Bible, let us look at various ways of interpreting this passage.

--as to statement in verse 14: what will happen to your people in the latter days

Replacement Theology **and** the Amillennialist believe that the Church has replaced Israel **and** therefore see the fulfillment of all **Daniel's** prophecy in reference to the church. The "thy people" is not Israel but the Church. Therefore, they 'spiritualize' all these latter times as to the church. But, of course, all these prophesies have to do with the Jews.

13 "But the prince of the kingdom of Persia was withstanding me for twenty-one days; then behold, Michael, one of the chief princes, came

to help me, for I had been left there with the kings of Persia.

Look at Persia for its importance to **Daniel and** to us in understanding how nations have demons over them.

1. The ancient Media-Persian empire had a demon over it.

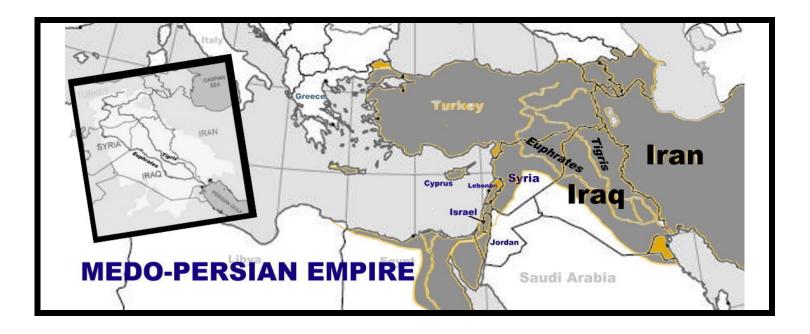
There was one chief demon put over Persian (as we will see every nation has a demon over it to destroy any Christian influence). This chief demon was assigned by Satan, with God's approval.

Deuteronomy 4:19

¹⁹ And beware not to lift up your eyes to



heaven and see the sun and the moon and the stars, all the host of heaven, and be drawn away and worship them and serve them, those which the LORD your God has allotted to all the peoples under the whole heaven.



- 2. This is the one who is said to be the prince of the kingdom of Persia in **Daniel** 10:13
- 3. This is the importance of the first combat between Jesus and Satan. Because of the fall of man in the garden, God gave Satan rule of the world **and** in Matthew 4, Satan offered back to Jesus the rule of the world.

 If Jesus would bow down **and** worship him. So by refusing this offer from Satan, Jesus recognized that Satan indeed had this authority to give to Him.
- 4. Now here in **Daniel** 10 the angel informs **Daniel and** us of something of which we are not aware **and** certainly cannot see with our eyes. That there is a demon in charge of demons assigned to the Kingdom of Persia. And these demons actually engage in combat with Elect Angels commissioned by God to enter into the human realm as servants of God. Here to take a message from God to **Daniel**.

It is unknown to human history of the affect of **The Angelic Conflict** on nations. This explains some of the most unbelievable events that have arisen in history of the world. Success of Alexander the Great;

How a corporal named Hitler became one of the most powerful men in history; How one man can enter history out of nowhere and win total leadership over a nation.

The question is asked by other students of the Bible, "why?";

Why do you think this prince of Persia was so determined to stop this message from getting to **Daniel**?

While we are not told, we do have some insight to *The Angelic Conflict* related to nations and the Word of God. In military strategy they may have learned a lesson from Chapter 9, where they allowed the all-important mystery prophecy of Daniel's 70th week to get by, and they are now determined to prevent any more of these prophesies to come to man. We can only imagine the combat that took place against America in past years getting the Word of God all over the world. Stopping the spreading of the Word of God or preventing people from understanding the Word of God by covering their eyes to it, blinding their eyes as recorded in 2 Corinthians 3 and 4. Let me assure you Satan has all kinds of schemes to keep you away from the study of Word of God.

It will not be a surprise at all to learn that demons learned a big lesson from **Daniel** getting the message from God in **Daniel** 9.