

# WAR IN HEAVEN

## A PLACE CALLED HEAVEN – PART #8

Pastor Kevin Cummings – February 23, 2020

Revelation 12:1-12

### I. There was a \_\_\_\_\_.

A. Why did God create Satan in the 1<sup>st</sup> place? (Ezekiel 28:12-19)

1. He was created perfect as \_\_\_\_\_ named Lucifer.
  2. He was \_\_\_\_\_ and was the chief cherub angel.
  3. He was and is not an ugly creature, but he was full of \_\_\_\_\_ and sinned.
  4. He was driven from heaven and thrown to \_\_\_\_\_  
(Job 1:6-7; John 16:11; Ephesians 2:2; 6:12)
- 1/3 of the angels followed Lucifer (Satan) in his rebellion against God. They are now called \_\_\_\_\_

B. Why did Lucifer rebel against God? (Isaiah 14:13-15)

1. Lucifer wanted God's \_\_\_\_\_.
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4. Lucifer wanted God's \_\_\_\_\_.
5. Lucifer wanted God's \_\_\_\_\_.

C. Did God know Lucifer would rebel? \_\_\_\_\_

*“Nothing in all creation is hidden from God's sight.” Hebrews 4:13*

D. Could God have prevented Lucifer's rebellion? \_\_\_\_\_  
*“Nothing is too hard for you.” Jeremiah 32:17*

E. Why didn't God stop Lucifer from rebelling? \_\_\_\_\_  
(Revelation 3:20)

F. Who is involved in this war? \_\_\_\_\_

*“In order that Satan may not outwit us, for we are not unaware of his schemes.” II Corinthians 2:11*

1. Satan is not the opposite of God.
2. The devil has access to heaven. (Job 1:6-11; I John 2:1)
3. Although Satan was and is defeated, he hasn't been fully punished yet. (Revelation 20:10)
4. Although Satan is not all knowing, all powerful or all present, he is effective today because he is ageless.
5. He will attack directly or indirectly.  
(Ephesians 4:27; I Peter 5:8-11)

### II. We can \_\_\_\_\_ the devil.

- A. We overcome the devil through \_\_\_\_\_.
- B. We overcome the devil through a \_\_\_\_\_.
- C. We overcome the devil through a \_\_\_\_\_.

#### ACTION POINTS:

- 1.) Do you \_\_\_\_\_ you will be in heaven one day?
- 2.) No matter what we face, we can live in victory because \_\_\_\_\_.
- 3.) Be \_\_\_\_\_, God is in control. He is never surprised, shocked or stunned.

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2. Lucifer wanted God's position.
3. Lucifer wanted God's power.
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F. Who is involved in this war? Michael and his angels and Satan and his angels (demons)

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### II. We can overcome the devil.

A. We overcome the devil through Calvary.

B. We overcome the devil through a confession.

C. We overcome the devil through a commitment.

#### ACTION POINTS:

- 1.) Do you know for sure you will be in heaven one day?
- 2.) No matter what we face, we can live in victory because Jesus has won
- 3.) Be encouraged, God is in control. He is never surprised, shocked or stunned.