

WHAT IS GOD DOING?

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Course Overview:



The Creation:



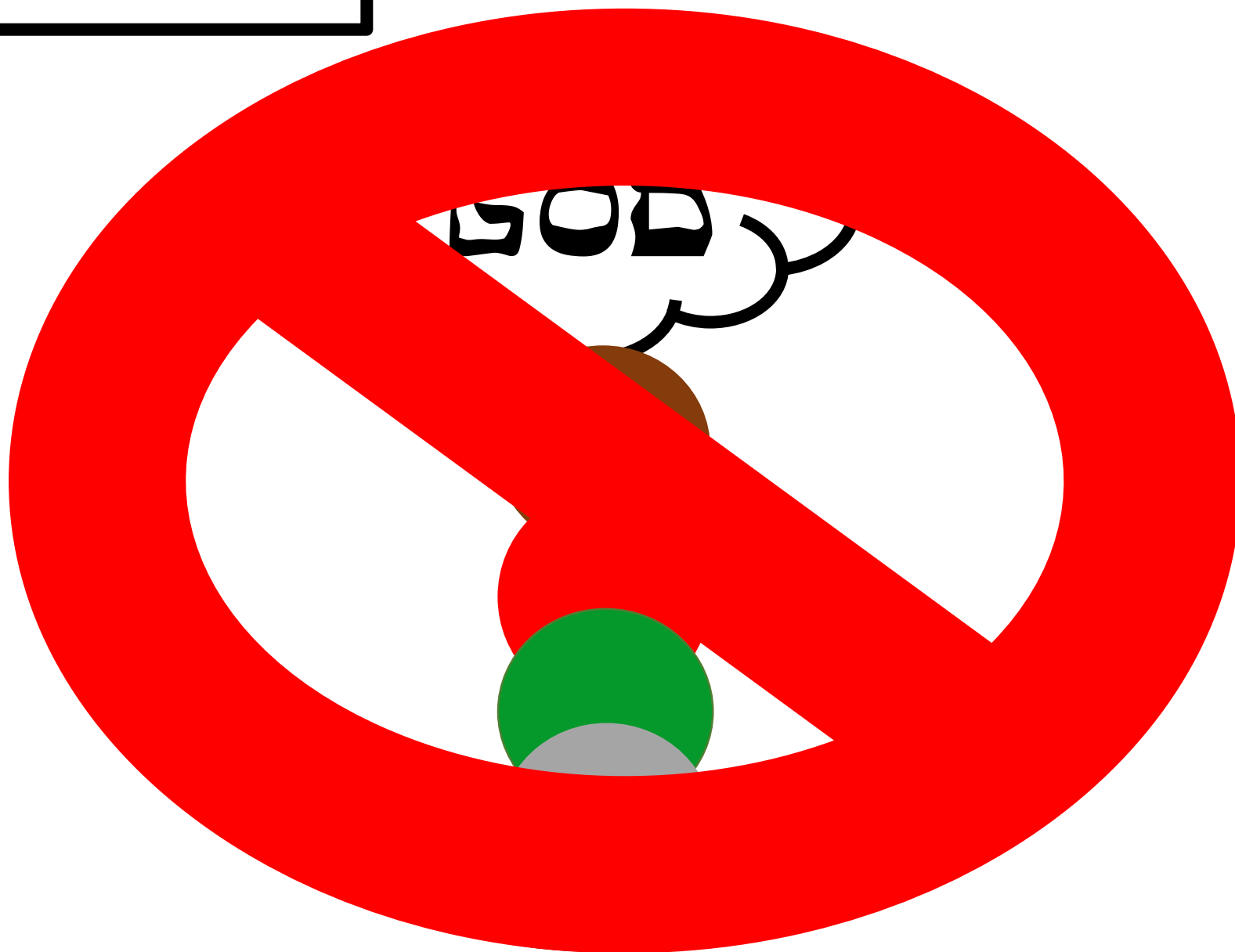
Important Concepts

- Creation
- The fall of Satan
- The fall of man
- The promise of God
- The universal kingdom of God
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- Satan's conflict with God

Creation

- God WAS in the beginning
cf. Genesis 1: 1
- God is everlasting
cf. Psalm 90: 2
- God's creation has purpose
cf. Isaiah 45: 18
- God alone is to be worshipped
cf. Revelation 4: 11

Creation



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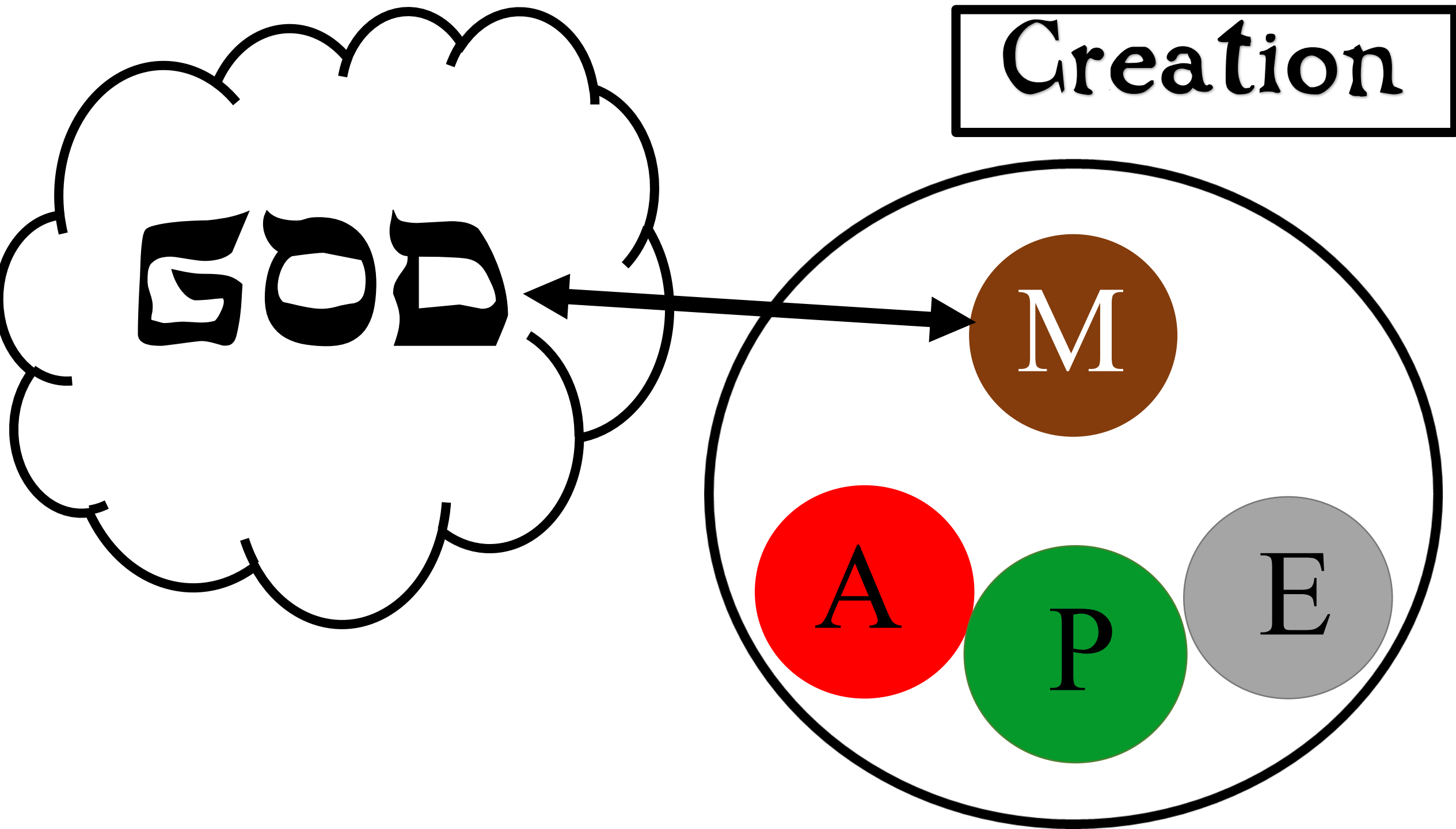
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The Fall of Satan

- Satan's fall

* Isaiah 14: 12-14

* Ezekiel 28: 11-17

Isaiah 14:12–14 (NKJV)

12“How you are fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! How you are cut down to the ground, You who weakened the nations!

13For you have said in your heart: ‘I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God; I will also sit on the mount of the congregation On the farthest sides of the north;

14I will ascend above the heights of the clouds, I will be like the Most High.’



Ezekiel 28:11–17 (NKJV)

15 You were perfect in your ways from the day you were created, Till iniquity was found in you.

16 “By the abundance of your trading You became filled with violence within, And you sinned; Therefore I cast you as a profane thing Out of the mountain of God; And I destroyed you, O covering cherub, From the midst of the fiery stones.

17 “Your heart was lifted up because of your beauty; You corrupted your wisdom for the sake of your splendor; I cast you to the ground, I laid you before kings, That they might gaze at you.



Ezekiel 28:11–17 (NKJV)

11 Moreover the word of the LORD came to me, saying,

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.

The Fall of Satan

- Satan's fall
- Satan's current activities
 - * 1 Peter 5: 8
 - * 2 Corinthians 11: 3

The Fall of Satan

- Satan's fall
- Satan's current activities
- Satan's servants

* Rev 12: 3-9

Revelation 12:3–9 (NKJV)

3And another sign appeared in heaven: behold, a great, fiery red dragon having seven heads and ten horns, and seven diadems on his heads.

4His tail drew a third of the stars of heaven and threw them to the earth. And the dragon stood before the woman who was ready to give birth, to devour her Child as soon as it was born.

5She bore a male Child who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron. And her Child was caught up to God and His throne.

6Then the woman fled into the wilderness, where she has a place prepared by God, that they should feed her there one thousand two hundred and sixty days.

7And war broke out in heaven: Michael and his angels fought with the dragon; and the dragon and his angels fought,

8but they did not prevail, nor was a place found for them in heaven any longer.

9So 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.

The Fall of Satan

- Satan's fall
- Satan's current activities
- Satan's servants
- Satan's children

* John 8: 44

* Ephesian 2: 1-3

John 8:44 (NKJV)

44 You are of your father the devil, and the desires of your father you want to do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own resources, for he is a liar and the father of it.



Ephesians 2:1–3 (NKJV)

1 And you He made alive, who were dead in trespasses and sins,
2 in which you once walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit who now works in the sons of disobedience,
3 among whom also we all once conducted ourselves in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, just as the others.



The Fall of Man

- The Command (Gen. 2: 16-17)
- Satan's tempting (Gen. 3: 1-5)
- Man's Failure (Gen. 3: 6)

Genesis 2:16–17 (NKJV)

16 And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, “Of every tree of the garden you may freely eat; 17 but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die.”



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Genesis 3:1–5 (NKJV)

1 Now the serpent was more cunning than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said to the woman, “Has God indeed said, ‘You shall not eat of every tree of the garden’?”

2 And the woman said to the serpent, “We may eat the fruit of the trees of the garden;

3 but of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God has said, ‘You shall not eat it, nor shall you touch it, lest you die.’ ”

4 Then the serpent said to the woman, “You will not surely die.

5 For God knows that in the day you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.”



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Genesis 3:6 (NKJV)

6So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree desirable to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate. She also gave to her husband with her, and he ate.



The Promise of God

- Deliverance through a deliverer (Gen. 3: 15)

Genesis 3:15 (NKJV)

15 And I will put enmity Between you and the woman, And between your seed and her Seed; He shall bruise your head, And you shall bruise His heel.”



The Universal Kingdom of God

- Authority of God to rule
 - * 1 Chr. 29: 11-12
 - * Acts 17: 24
- Scope of God's rule
 - * Universe
- Directly ruled by God

1 Chronicles 29:11–12 (NKJV)

11 Yours, O LORD, is the greatness, The power and the glory, The victory and the majesty; For all that is in heaven and in earth is Yours; Yours is the kingdom, O LORD, And You are exalted as head over all.

12 Both riches and honor come from You, And You reign over all. In Your hand is power and might; In Your hand it is to make great And to give strength to all.



Acts 17:24 (NKJV)

24 God, who made the world and everything in it, since He is Lord of heaven and earth, does not dwell in temples made with hands.



The Universal Kingdom of God

- Definition:

“The rule of God over the entire universe (including the earth) and everything in the universe”

– Renald Showers

The Theocratic Kingdom of God

- Scope of God's rule
 - *The Earth
- Indirectly ruled by God
- Rules through Theocratic administrator

The Theocratic Kingdom of God

- The dominion of the earth given to Adam was forfeited to Satan (Lk. 4: 5-8)
- Satan is the “prince of this world” (Jn. 12: 31; 14: 30; 16: 11)
- Satan is the “god of this world” (2 Cor. 4: 4)
- Friendship with the world is enmity with God (Jas. 4: 4)
- Will ultimately be redeemed through Christ when the Millennial Kingdom is established

Satan's Conflict with God

2 strategies of Satan:

1. Destroy key members of God's Kingdom
 - *Destroy the seed line (Gen. 3: 14-15)*
 - *Cain murdering Abel (Gen. 4: 3-8)*
2. Pervert the witness of God's Kingdom with apostasy in belief or practice. (Gen. 4: 25-26)
 - *introduce apostasy and cause God to destroy it Himself (Gen. 6: 1-6)*

Question?