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**Sermon – Genealogy Week 3 – Know the Enemies Plan**

**Scripture – Eze 28:11-18, Portions of Genesis 3 & 4**

**Main Message – The plans of the enemy are not creative but are very deceptive.**

To understand the enemy is to understand his motivation. He wants to be worshipped as God. This is Satan's sin problem. Sadly, we see that humanity has the same problem, hence Adam and Eve fell from the grace they were initially given in the Garden of Eden. We see it from the beginning into the middle and unto the end of everything the Bible speaks to us about. For Satan to be what he wants to be requires his ego to be satisfied as being worshipped as God. That is the heart of blasphemy – to be worshipped in the place of God. His plan is to replace God with himself and so he does whatever is necessary to accomplish that goal. **Read Ezekiel 28:11-18.**

Make no mistake, Satan is good at what he does, which is built upon lies. He drew a third of the angelic host away from God. How can a created being do that. Apparently from what I read in Ezekiel he was in our eyes and minds, supernatural in ability. He knew just how to undermine God's redemptive plan. He began that effort in the Garden of Eden. **Read Genesis 3:1-5.** With half-truths, Satan broke what could have been God's perfect plan, but of course God knew that.

Following the eviction from the Garden of Eden, God's plan still continues and the path is to bring what only He could accomplish, Jesus, as the Son of God into the world to actually become the perfect sacrifice and thereby make a pathway to defeat Satan – for those who will trust the true God rather than the instead-of-christ god, known as the antichrist. To win, Satan must now prevent the purity of the bloodline of Jesus. **Read Genesis 4:17-18.** Looking at the names of Cain's descendants in chapter 4 and Adams descendants in Chapter 5 we can see some are exactly the same. Then in Chapter 6 we can see that Son's of God did a bad thing and began corrupting the Adamic Race to the point where we find in vs Read Gen 6:8-9 that NOAH found grace because he was the last one which was perfect in his genealogy. Satan tried to corrupt them all but it didn't quite get there and Noah was God's plan to keep the bloodline of Jesus going. This isn't the only attack on the bloodline of Jesus. It happened several times. Of course we know that Jesus did come and will come again, but that does not mean the influence of Satan is not finished.

Satan still desires to be worshipped and he will return to the earth in supernatural form to deceive those who do not have that required relationship with Christ. Let's be honest. If you're not following Christ, you're following the antichrist. The human mind rebels against such statements because it is so absolute, and people don't like absolutes. We prefer fuzzy alternatives to the absolute truth of God. I'll remind you that is how Satan deceived Eve. Thank God our sins are forgiven, but only if you've become a disciple of Jesus Christ.

Satan will come and he will be worshipped as the Antichrist. When Jesus arrives, you don't want to be the one deceived by the power of Satan who has so often shown he can deceive the masses of people in this world. Draw close to God Almighty.