DON STEWART: WHAT WERE THE RESULTS OF SATAN'S FALL?

-- The following things resulted from Satan's original fall.

1. He Became The First Sinner In The Universe.

- When this angel rebelled against God and became the Devil, he also became the first sinner in the universe. Scripture emphasizes that he sinned in the beginning.
- (1 John 3:8 ESV) Whoever makes a practice of sinning is of the devil, for the devil has been sinning from the beginning. The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the works of the devil.

2. Satan Became The Author Of Sin.

- Because he was the first sinner, he is the author of, and basis for, all subsequent sin. Jesus said to the religious rulers of His day.
- (John 8:44 ESV) You are of your father the devil, and your will is to do your father's desires. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he lies, he speaks out of his own character, for he is a liar and the father of lies.

3. His Great Wisdom Was Made Corrupt Through Sin.

- Though this angel had great knowledge and wisdom, it was now corrupted through his sin.
- (Ezekiel 28:17 ESV) Your heart was proud because of your beauty; you corrupted your wisdom for the sake of your splendor. I cast you to the ground; I exposed you before kings, to feast their eyes on you.

4. He Was Completely Taken Over By Sin.

• The fall of Satan was complete to the extent that he was totally taken over by sin. As Jesus said, "He is the father of lies" (John 8:44).

5. His Sin Caused Him To Be Condemned.

- Because of his sin, he has fallen under God's condemnation.
- (Isaiah 14:12 ESV) How you are fallen from heaven, O Day Star, son of Dawn! How you are cut down to the ground, you who laid the nations low!
- Though under God's judgment, he still has access to God. We read in the Book of Job: "Now there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan also came among them" (Job 1:6 ESV).

6. Sent Down To The Earth.

- Eventually Satan will only have access to the earth.
- (Revelation 12:7–9 ESV) Now war arose in heaven, Michael and his angels fighting against the dragon. And the dragon and his angels fought back, but he was defeated, and there was no longer any place for them in heaven. And the great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world—he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him.

7. He Will Eventually Be Punished.

- The original sin of the Devil will result in his ultimate destiny eternal separation from God and eternal punishment.
- (Revelation 20:7–10 ESV) And when the thousand years are ended, Satan will be released from his prison and will come out to deceive the nations that are at the four corners of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them for battle; their number is like the sand of the sea. And they marched up over the broad plain of the earth and surrounded the camp of the saints and the beloved city, but fire came down from heaven and consumed them, and the devil who had deceived them was thrown into the lake of fire and sulfur where the beast and the false prophet were, and they will be tormented day and night forever and ever.

SUMMARY ...

- Because of his initial rebellion against God, this angel, who became the Devil, brought sin into the universe. Many other things resulted from this sin including: his condemnation, loss of favorable position with the Lord, and the ultimate judgment--eternal separation from God.
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