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The Names of the Devil By Dr. David DeWitt

Thus says the Lord God, You had the seal of perfection, full of wisdom and perfect in beauty. You were in Eden, the garden of God; Every precious stone was your covering: The ruby, the topaz and the diamond; The beryl, the onyx and the jasper; The lapis lazuli, the turquoise and the emerald; And the gold, the workmanship of your settings and sockets, was in you. On the day that you were created they were prepared. You were the anointed cherub who covers, and I placed you there. You were on the holy mountain of God; You walked in the midst of the stones of fire. You were blameless in your ways from the day you were created until unrighteousness was found in you." (Ezekiel 28:11-15)

There are 14 names or titles given to The Devil in the Bible:

- 1. The Devil (Matthew 4:1, 5, 9; Ephesians 4:27; Revelation 12:9; 20:2)
- 2. Satan (Job 1:6-9; Matthew 4:10)
- 3. The serpent (Revelation 12:9)
- 4. Lucifer, Son of the Morning (Isaiah 14:12)
- 5. The dragon (Revelation 12:7)
- 6. The prince or ruler (John 12:31)
- 7. The god of this world or age (2 Corinthians 4:4)
- 8. The prince of the power of the air (Ephesians 2:2a)
- 9. The spirit who works in the sons of disobedience (Ephesians 2:2b)
- 10. The accuser of the brethren (Revelation 12:10)
- 11. The tempter (Matthew 4:3; 1 Thessalonians 3:5)
- 12. Belial (2 Corinthians 6:15)
- 13. Beelzebul (Matthew 12:24; Mark 3:22)
- 14. Abaddon/Apollyon (Revelation 9:11)

From the names alone, we can discern that The Devil is powerful, a tempter, and the ruler (or god) of this age (this time of history between his fall and when God casts him into the lake of fire—Matthew 25:41; Revelation 20:10).

He also *works in the sons of disobedience.* That means there are people who represent The Devil's world system surrounding us every day.

There are three places in the Bible where we meet the Devil face-to-face in a narrative context. Read: Eve in the garden (Genesis 3:1-6), before God concerning Job (1:6-12), and at the temptation of Christ (Matthew 4:1-11).

How you have fallen from heaven, O star of the morning, son of the dawn! You have been cut down to the earth, You who have weakened the nations! But you said in your heart, 'I will ascend to heaven; I will raise my throne above the stars of God, And I will sit on the mount of assembly in the recesses of the north. I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will make myself like the Most High.' Nevertheless you will be thrust down to Sheol, to the recesses of the pit. (Isaiah 14:12-15)