

Theology of the Body II - Genesis 3

“For God formed us to be imperishable; the image of his own nature he made us. But by the envy of the devil, death entered the world and they who are allied with him experience it.” (Wisdom 2:24).

Lucifer is sometimes referred to in Apocryphal Jewish book as once serving as the Guardian of the Cherubim.

Isaiah 14:12-15

How you have fallen from the heavens,
O Morning Star, son of the dawn!
How you have been cut down to the earth,
you who conquered nations!
In your heart you said:
“I will scale the heavens;
Above the stars of God
I will set up my throne;
I will take my seat on the Mount of Assembly,
on the heights of Zaphon.
I will ascend above the tops of the clouds;
I will be like the Most High!
No! Down to Sheol you will be brought
to the depths of the pit!

“Now since the children share in blood and flesh, he likewise shared in them, that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil and free those who through fear of death had been subject to slavery all their life.” (Hebrews 2:14, 15).

Why Was Satan Envious?

1. Man created in the image and likeness of God.

2. Man destined to live at the heart of the Trinity.
3. Man to partake of the divine nature.
4. Angels to serve man.
5. Man to have a material body like the body the Second person of the Trinity to take.
6. Man can give of himself or herself in love to each other and to God.
7. Man granted the gift of procreation: to share with God the creation of beings in the image and likeness of God.
8. God gave His only begotten Son to redeem and save us - - not Satan or other fallen angels.
9. Man is to judge the angels. (1 Cor. 6:3).
10. Only man in his body body is capable of making visible what is invisible, the spiritual and divine.

Satan not a garden snake. Pronunciation naw-khawsh'

Isaiah 27:1 “In that day the LORD with his sore and great and strong sword shall punish leviathan the piercing serpent, even leviathan that crooked serpent; and he shall slay the dragon that is in the sea.”

Abad and shamar and Ezer Kenegdo. What should Adam have done? I will explain what Adam should have done, but the mystery of why Adam should have done that will have to wait for our study of Genesis Chapter 1 and Ephesians Chapter 5.

Netflix series “Lost.” Flash forwards, flash backwards and flash sideways.

Tobit is God’s flash sideways for us.

Explain this delightful biblical novella.

Tobit 8: “When Sarah’s parents left the bedroom and closed the door behind them, Tobiah rose from bed and said to his wife, “My sister, come, let us pray and beg our Lord to grant us mercy and protection.” She got up, and they started to pray and beg that they might be protected. He began with these words:

“Blessed are you, O God of our ancestors; blessed be your name forever and ever! Let the heavens and all your creation bless you forever. You made Adam, and you made his wife Eve to be his helper and support; and from these two the human race has come. You said, ‘It is not good for the man to be alone; let us make him a helper like himself.’ Now, not with lust, but with fidelity I take this kinswoman as my wife. Send down your mercy on me and on her, and grant that we may grow old together. Bless us with children.” They said together, “Amen, amen!” Then they went to bed for the night.