SATAN

IV. WHAT DOES HE DO?

A. 1st John 3:8, 10

The devil is the original sinner and all who sin are his children.

1. John 13:2, 27

Satan entered Judas's heart to betray Jesus.

2. Acts 5:1-3

Satan filled Ananias's and Sapphira's hearts to lie to God.

B. 2nd Thessalonians 2:9-12

He lies and deceives.

1. Matthew 13:19

The wicked one prevents understanding and belief in the gospel.

2. 2nd Corinthians 4:3-4

"The god of this age" veils the gospel and causes mental blindness.

3. Acts 26:17-18

Satan's power is darkness.

4. 2nd Corinthians 11:3, 14-15

Deception is his primary weapon.

5. Luke 4:9-12

He misrepresents the meaning of Scripture.

V. How Does He Do IT?

A. 1st Corinthians 10:13

God understands our limits, and He does not allow us to be tempted beyond our ability to resist. This implies there are boundaries placed upon Satan.

1. **Job 1:8-12; 2:3-6**

Satan was powerless to do Job harm until God put it in his hand.

2. Luke 4:5-7

That with which the devil tempted Jesus was delivered to him.

3. Luke 22:31

Satan required permission to work against Peter.

4. **John 19:10-11**

Even the power to crucify the Son of God comes from above.

B. **James 1:13**

Don't misunderstand; God is not the tempter!

VI. WHEN WILL HE STOP?

A. Matthew 25:41

At the final judgment, the devil and his angels will depart into hell. Until then, we must resist him and fight against him.

B. 1st Peter 5:8-9

We must resist him with sobriety, vigilance, and steadfast faith.

C. James 4:7

We must resist him with submission to God.

D. Ephesians 4:27; Luke 11:24-26

We must never give him any room.

E. Ephesians 6:10-18

We can withstand him by using "the whole armor of God".

F. Luke 4:12-13

He will leave us if we answer his temptations with Scripture, but he does come back, so never let your guard down.

CONCLUSION

A. Genesis 3:15

From the first sin, God foretold the Serpent's defeat by the Seed of woman.

B. Hebrews 2:14

Jesus began Satan's takedown when He arose from death.

C. 1st Corinthians 15:20-26; Revelation 20:14

When death is no more, Satan's reign will be finished forever.