

# **Demonology Lesson 2: Demons defined and explained**

# 1. Introduction

Last time we looked at the origin of angels, demons, and Satan.

We also saw that Jesus won the victory and we, as the church, are supposed to enforce the victory.

In this lesson, we are going to look more specifically at demons – defining them.

2. What are demons?	
Demons are	
They are evil spirits.	
3. Characteristics of demons	
• Demons talk.	
Mark 1:23-25	
Mark 3:11	
• Demons have intelligence.	
Matthew 8:29	

The actual definition of "demon" is \_\_\_\_\_

• Demons resist surrender.

# Mark 5:6-13

• Demons may call for reinforcement.

#### Matthew 12:43-45

• Demons recognize those who have power over them.

#### Acts 19:13-16

## 4. What exactly does Satan do?

- Satan is in continual opposition to God's program. He is the archenemy of God.
- Satan blinds men to the truth of the gospel.

# 2 Corinthians 4:3, 4

• Satan tempts people.

The devil tempted Jesus. (Matthew 4:1-11)

• Satan and his demons disguise themselves as angels of light.

#### 2 Corinthians 11:13-15

Sometimes demon spirits will even perform what seem to be \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Revelation 16:13, 14**

Remember this about SIGNS –

A sign, wonder, or miracle of God leads people to Jesus!

• Satan lies.

#### John 8:44

• Satan accuses brothers and sisters in the church.

#### Revelation 12:10

# 5. What exactly do demons do?

• Demons draw people away from their new life in Jesus to the old life. They tempt Christians to go back to the things they were set free from.

## 1 Timothy 4:1, 2

<ul> <li>Demons are involved in the false religions of the world.</li> </ul>	
Leviticus 17:7	
Demons are secretly behind the worship of	
1 Corinthians 10:20, 21	
This includes idol worship like that found in a Hindu country.	
Any kind of worship other than that of Jesus as the Son of God:	
o Jehovah's Witnesses	
o Mormonism	
o Any false religion (i.e., Islam, Buddhism, Scientology, etc.)	
o Any "idol" that you set up in your life is motivated by demons.	
In America we "love the things of this world" and it is the same as idol worship.	
1 John 2:15, 16	
• Demons afflict the human body.	
<b>Matthew 12:22</b>	
Mark 9:17, 18	
Matthew 8:16	
Matthew 10:1	
• Demons afflict the human mind.	
Mark 5:1-5	
<ul> <li>Demons possess people.</li> </ul>	
Matthew 15:22	
There is a difference between being possessed and	_ by demons.

Possession is \_\_\_\_\_

We are going to talk about the steps to demon possession in a future lesson.

• Demons are behind the persecution of Christians.

#### Revelation 2:10

#### 6. What can we do about demons?

• Nowhere in the Bible does it infer that we should fear the devil. The opposite of this is true!

# **James 4:7**

• Every believer can exercise authority over demons and cast them out of people.

#### Mark 16:17

Where should demons be cast out?

Answer: In the New Testament they were cast out in church meetings and on the street. Demons can be cast out of people anywhere!

What happens to a demon when it is cast out of a person?

#### Luke 11:24-26

It is important that once a demon is cast out of a person, they fill their "house" with God's Word and His Spirit.

• As a believer you have authority to operate in the second heaven.

# 2 Corinthians 12:1-4

The third heaven is	This is where God sits on His throne.
If there is a third heaven, there must be a first and a second.	
The first heaven is	
The second heaven is the invisible realm where demons and	d angels operate.

# **Ephesians 2:2**

# Daniel 10:12, 13

This is speaking of demon spirits that ruled over the kingdom of Pers	ia. (Modern day Iran).
The good news is that the second heaven is subject to the third heave	n.
You are an	of the third heaven!
1.7.14.4	

# 1 John 4:4