

SET UP TO FALL



*If pride precedes the fall
Then praise precedes them all*

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Clarity for Control—Confusion for Control

Introduction

If you were the author of your own story, you could do whatever you wanted with your characters, for it would be your story. God is the sovereign Author and Creator of His story and He can do whatever He pleases with His characters. We have no right to become mad at God for the choices He makes within His story. Do we really deserve a deeper explanation? What greater story than the eternal souls of mankind depending on one God to save us from eternal Hell through the perfect sacrifice of His only Son as the Forgiver of our sins—all for His glory? God's glory is the divine revelation of His perfection to an imperfect world. Just how sovereign is our Sovereign God? More sovereign than we can imagine. God is a God that all will fear and some will love.

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FROM GOD'S WORD, THE HOLY BIBLE...

Fear God—The Holy Designer

Do not call conspiracy everything that these people call conspiracy; do not fear what they fear, and do not dread it. The LORD Almighty is the one you are to regard as holy, He is the one you are to fear, He is the one you are to dread. *Isaiah 8: 12–13* (NIV)

Understand God—The Sovereign Author

You [Lucifer] were the model of perfection, full of wisdom and perfect in beauty. You were in Eden, the garden of God; every precious stone adorned you: ruby, topaz and emerald, chrysolite, onyx and jasper, sapphire, turquoise and beryl. Your settings and mountings were made of gold; on the day you were created they were prepared. You were anointed as a guardian cherub, for so I [God] ordained you. You were blameless in your ways from the day you were created till wickedness was found in you. Through your widespread trade you were filled with violence, and you sinned. So I drove you in disgrace from the mount of God, and I expelled you, O guardian cherub, from among the fiery stones. Your heart became proud on account of your beauty, and you corrupted your wisdom because of your splendor. So I threw you to the earth; I made a spectacle of you before kings. *Ezekiel 28: 11b–17* (NIV)

Revere God—The True Concealer

He [God] said, “Go and tell this people: “‘Be ever hearing, but never understanding; be ever seeing, but never perceiving.’ Make the heart of this people calloused; make their ears dull and close their eyes. Otherwise they might see with their eyes, hear with their ears, understand with their hearts, and turn and be healed.” *Isaiah 6: 9–10* (NIV)

Seek God—The Only Revealer

What then shall we say? Is God unjust? Not at all! For he says to Moses, “I will have mercy on whom I have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I have compassion.” It does not, therefore, depend on man’s desire or effort, but on God’s mercy. *Romans 9: 14–16* (NIV)

Worship God—The Glorious Creator

... For My own sake, I do this... I will not yield My glory to another.
Isaiah 48:11 (NIV)

~ Note To The Reader ~

- Poems marked with * are written as a “devil’s advocate,” and sometimes with Lucifer as the main subject of the poem. These set poems are not endorsed ideals to be carried out but rather depictions of how sinful events are (and possibly will be) carried out.
- The main idea of all writings on the odd pages can be identified by reading the underlined words in sequential order.

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Acknowledgment

Greater men before me
Greater men to come
What makes me think I would
Have the same wisdom?

Thank You, God for those who addressed my pride and spurred humility.
Lord, help us acknowledge You above all.

Preface

Q: If we don't have a free will to choose God,
then why try to obey Him?

A: The question implies an assumption
that we have the choice to try.

It is the nature of **man** to reflect how he has been nurtured. Most all realms of nature versus nurture revolve around the relationship between love and fear—the **reasons** for our actions. The two greatest teachings of the Christian faith are the *Fear of the LORD* and the *Love of God*. Many people are in search of the Love of **God**; few people are in search of the Fear of the LORD. **But** why is this so?

If the Bible were to be compared to a novel, then the seven-day creation would be chapter one. Yet, what event in the Scriptures would be the Prologue—the story before *In the Beginning*? It occurs between God and Lucifer in heaven. Very few people ever stop to consider what occurred before Lucifer's heart became prideful. Was Lucifer setup to fall? Were Adam and Eve setup to fall? What can we learn about **God** if the answers to these questions were *Yes* and *Yes*? What is God's sovereign purpose behind Lucifer as the tempter of mankind? I hope and pray God **reveals** more of **Himself** and His ways to help deepen our application of the Love of God through better understanding the Fear of the LORD. God is a God that all will fear and some will love.

1: *Fear & Love*

Love to Some, Fear to All

All will fear
Yet not all love
Love not clear
Is Fear's fit glove

When Fear alone
Is revealed
And Love not shown
The soul's unhealed

If Love shall fall
Upon this soul
To God, my all
He has me whole

May Love and Fear
Rest well in me
With both draw near
My soul to see

God could have willed
For Love alone
With Fear concealed
We'd not have known

All Attributes
Nature and Ways
Fear contributes
His endless praise

With Love not shown
We'd still declare
God's Glory alone
Yet Love He'd share

Greater still
Is that He gave
Both at His Will
To some to save

Greater Glory

As You reveal
Your Glory
Your every ideal
Through Your story

We reflect
Back to You
With full respect
Your every sinew

To claim I gave
From myself
A Glory You'd crave
That, You'd shelf

Both from and to
God alone
His Glory drew
Back to His throne

We're the mirror
Of His appearance
To see clearer
And form coherence

To try and keep
Glory revealed
It would all seep
We'd gain no yield

So back to God
Which Glory came
As we defraud
Then to Him blame

No wonder why
Our inventory
Fails to comply
To Greater Glory

Dread-Full

Reference for me
If you can
Any verse that depicts
The response of man

When God reveals
The glory of Himself
To man who then claims:
"With respect, I'll shelf

My pride and my sins
For these You distaste."
Never simply in respect
But rather, with haste

Man falls to the ground
Face-down, in awe
Of God's holy presence
Fearing Glory, we fall

For even the Angels
Are nothing compared
To the Lord's Name
Yet man not dared

To remain standing
Before a heavenly being
And yet we believe
That when in seeing

Our God in heaven
When we arrive
That we'll be able to
Give Him a high-five?

Consider this, O man
Our LORD is far more
Than deserving respect:
To dread and adore

1: *Purposed Problems*

Everyone will fear God; some will love God. This is the sovereignty of God. If it were not so, then God would be subject to our desires; and what would that say of His sovereignty? Some might then ask, “Why would you love a God like that?” The proper reply: God is truly sovereign over everything and everyone, and His sovereignty includes the fact that all will fear Him. In the midst of that fear, He so chooses to reveal His love to whom He chooses. **We** can only respond with love when (or if) it is revealed; for God could have chosen to reveal Himself through fear alone, which would result in eternal condemnation.

God is a holy, righteous, and jealous God who is more concerned about His glory being revealed as He sees fit than giving every man the exact same revelations. For most people, this method would seem as a problem. To God, it is merely the method at which He chooses to reveal His holy attributes—the same attributes that all people **imperfectly** apply and many misinterpret as God then being questionable. Lucifer’s tactics is the tainted reflection of God’s perfection—attributing Lucifer over all.

All of God’s attributes are perfect because He is perfect. All our attempts of applying those same attributes speak only of our fallen nature and need for One who can perfectly **apply** them into our lives. We cannot “give” God glory, for His Glory both came from Him and returns fully back to Him. We can only reflect His Glory back to Him as He reveals more of Himself to us. This Glory-to-Glory and Greater Glory process is centered on **God’s** holiness, not man’s obedience. God’s glory is not subject to our obedience; for He **perfectly** designed everything in such a way to receive all of the glory, honor, and praise. God purposed everything (including our problems and disobedience) to reveal other forms and **attributes** of His holy nature and ways—not that we should pursue sins to gain grace but that we should pursue Christ who gives grace. God purposed Lucifer as a tool for sin and our need for a Savior. Otherwise, the message of God’s grace would be absent.

Many claim that as our relationship with God matures, the Fear of God transitions from a dread-like fear to a respect-like fear. This way of thinking wrongfully shifts the focus from a God-centered revelation to a man-centered understanding. The more God reveals His holiness, the more we realize our sinfulness and the more we should fear God **for** what He is capable of doing. God is not bound to **our** sins or obedience but we to His sovereignty. The full revelation of God’s **glory** is one of fear and dread. God is God; we are not. This is why we fear Him. This is why we love Him. God is a God that all will fear and some will love.

2: Praise & Blame

Dazed with Praise

If when good is seen and done
Then shall good praise meet that one
If when praise puffs large the head
Then shall blame mark thee instead

If when blame falls heavily on you
Then shall fall with pride you too
If when pride precedes your fall
Then shall praise precede them all

If when all do see you praised
Then shall hope you be not dazed
If when hope is centered on man
Then shall man need Christ's plan

** Formed to Fall*

What Beauty, says God
Of His created being
What marvel, adds He
The voice that so doth sing

And leadership, claims the Lord
Greater than them all
Sinful Pride, notes the LORD
Comes before the Fall

Pressed People

Suppress to Impress the Oppressed
I am all three
Who then wonders
How I became
Depressed
All I wanted was praise
All I feel is blame
Address

I-mit-ate

I – omit praise – overcompensate
I – submit power – under appreciate
I – emit both – the fruit I ate
I – commit blame – myself I hate

(Hurt People)2

Cyclical in giving
As in receiving
What changes
Is what occurs
Between the two
Within each one

Persuasion

For others to
Think as You
Imbed a thought
through praise sought

Then dangle blame
They'll think they came
To the conclusion
It's reasoned illusion

The thought might seem
As if You'd deem
Such actions good
But persuasion should

Express what You
Allowed to do
So that we
Know more of Thee

This Praise and Blame
It's not a game
Yet God will win
His Will through sin

2: Prelude Precedes Beginning

Have you ever wondered what was in existence before God began His seven-day creation; or how that “preexistence” has affected our existence? **God** speaks of it in the book of Ezekiel when He describes the account of Lucifer in Heaven. Like all angels, Lucifer was **created** to praise and worship God alone by declaring God’s Holiness **and** was not given the option for grace or forgiveness (holy: comparing perfection with imperfection, “set apart” from all creation). God **purposed** and described Lucifer as being the most angelic of all angels: his appearance, voice, leadership, and wisdom (compared to other created beings; but not compared to God Himself). **Lucifer** believed he was worthy of the same praise that he was created **to** express toward God. As a result, Lucifer and a third of all the angels were thrown out of heaven and onto earth. Both in the pre-**fall** and post-fall, God gave Lucifer the highest leadership position of all created beings: from leader of all the angels **in** heaven, to having **order** and dominion over the earth.

Let’s review. God created Lucifer as an angel to declare God’s holiness. God did not praise or worship Lucifer but publicly compared Lucifer in light of all other angels (“... model of perfection, full in wisdom and perfect in beauty...every precious stone adorned you... anointed as a guardian cherub...”). Lucifer must have thought: “God created me **to** praise Him; yet He is praising me... I must be worthy of praise!” Lucifer turns praise into pride; God turns pride into fall. If pride precedes the fall **then** praise precedes them all. Man is tested by the praise he receives: to reflect glory back toward God or to try and keep it.

The greatest form of persuasion is getting others to think they came up with an idea all on their own. God **revealed** the idea of praise, which is the most effective tool for personal persuasion. Interconnected with praise, blame reminds **others** of who holds the power. Imbed your ideas within direct, measurable praise and the average praise-receiver will internalize the embedded idea, which will make them think they came up with the idea all on their own and therefore carry out that same embedded idea with fidelity. Lucifer still believes he is worthy of praise.

The direction and degree of personal persuasion is demonstrated best through praise and blame, which our Holy God perfectly applies and we miss the mark at applying—resulting in our sins and God’s other **attributes** then being revealed to address sin and our need for a Savior. This relationship between praise and blame is the first in which we learn **of** God’s initial command: praise God and God alone, or else be blamed. God is a **God** that all will fear and some will love.

3: *Clarity & Confusion*

Communi(st)cation

Now before you assume what soon may come
Let us presume the reader is numb
To the thought of how to apply
The title that ought seem disguised by the eye

Embedded in marks which change the term
Contributed by Marx, which I do not affirm
But yet to use as a metaphor
Of how we abuse shared thoughts and more

We share through speech, through written word
And symbols that reach the sound and absurd
Minds of present, of past, and to be
All minds seem pleasant until powers disagree

As one human race we seek to know
Each though of each face to control the show
Which we call life, with seasons of change
Clarity and Confusion strife to control and arrange

From life to death, we tent thoughts red
For with each breath, fears then do spread
A reason for why we communicate this way
Is our limited supply of poor words at play

Conclusion Before Cause

To compare our despair with *Friends*—at each point
To ignore the core for *Amends*—the main point
To miss with bliss when truth *Bends*—from first point
To bypass the climax that *Lends*—through mid-point
To assume and presume how it *Ends*—the last point
To apply then deny what *Sends*—a hidden point
At which point are we misguided by our own FABLES?

Beauty in Full Measure

Make clear to all what confuses me
Model flesh and then call wisdom beauty
Mark perceptions that appall and inspire how to see
Masquerade as if to stall while wisdom and flesh flee

Prelude

With *Beginning*
we start
Our mind
to depart

A voyage
which grew
From a
preset view

What is
Shall be
Not considering
The decree

Which all
Did begin
We assume
First sin

To be
The Beginning
Yet without
Ever pinning

Down the
first move
Whom God
Did behoove

Lucifer was
God's plan
To fall
Thus began

A story
He'd choose
To clarify
And confuse

3: *Clearly Confused by Control*

When most people ask why God would allow for bad things to happen, the typical response they receive is that **God** told us in advance we would be punished if we disobeyed His commands; therefore, we have reaped what we have sown. Though this claim is Biblical, it is not the *main* reason for why bad things happen. The main reason why God allows for—**strategically** wills for—bad things to happen is to then reveal more of His holy attributes. God reveals and conceals His holy attributes as He sees fit, for His glory. Each person's measure of faith varies from person to person due to God's differing revelations of Himself to them—not because we desire God more but because He desires to reveal more of Himself to those He chooses.

It is against God's nature for man to be the determiner of how God **reveals** His holy attributes to **His** creation. How would we have learned of God's wrath, justice, mercy, grace, forgiveness, patience, and other attributes if sin was not an equation of reality? Sin is the tool at which we are exposed to the need for God's redeeming grace. A sinless world is one in which a limitless God would receive limited praise due to our limited understanding of His full nature and ways. God determines how and when to reveal His **attributes** and whom to reveal them to. How willing are we to truly accept the fact that God's thoughts are not our thoughts and His ways are not our ways? God is God, we are not.

God allows for Lucifer to deceptively place more focus on some individuals than others, all for God's glory. The hand of Satan is only as powerful as the will of God permitting Satan to act. It is God we are to fear, for He is the One who determines the measure and method of good and evil **in** the lives of each individual. God is set apart from His creation—meaning, He is not bound by the same laws that He holds us accountable to. Just as God is outside the realm of time, He is also outside the realm of human morality. To God, anything goes; for all things are designed to reflect His glory. All events are part of God's perfect plan and are reflections of His sovereign will for His glory.

God designed His creation to reflect **clarity** for control **and confusion** for control. The reasons for *why* God established this form of communication more than justifies the method of *how* He implemented it, **which** makes us fully dependent upon His sovereignty. All problems are communication problems. **He** who controls the problems controls all. He who **controls** communication controls all. All are controlled and destined by God. God is a God that all will fear and some will love.

4: *Will & Free Will*

**The Anti-Hope*

With which method
Shall he soon rule?
By False Hope
As a trickery tool

For if through fear
He'd be made known
This fear our world
Would not condone

Thus in disguise
As a glimmer of light
He'll flex his arm
And show his might

Yet not until
All in him place
Their hopes and prayers
Full human race

And once in him
Their hope is sealed
Full Martyrdom
All Christians killed

How will all hope
To him transfer?
Through conspiracy
All powers shall stir

He'll create the need
For all to hope
Clean his formed problems
With cyanide-soap

As many will grab tightly
In each hand
He'll brainwash each man
Then rule each land

With physical-mental
Markings he'll reign
Form one currency
One language, one brain

Most all will bow
To him as lord
Which he'll assume
With a drawn sword

When sword is shown
Then hope shall fall
But he'll care not
He fooled them all

With fear he'll rule
As if to stay
'Till Christ returns
Throws him away

Yet how did he
The Antichrist think
A method like this
Would float, not sink?

Further yet
How did he discern
That gained is fear
If hope can burn?

If hope to him
Was placed in-part
Or if fear was
Revealed from start

Banished he'd be
By others who
Questioned his claims
Through what they knew

To cast out doubts
Persuade each man
False images he'll portray
To conceal his plan

Freedoms, Dreams, Rights,
Peace, Hope he'll stress
Then most all will become
Miserably hopeless

Uniformity

To reason why
I think this way
I must reply
To what pressed play

To how my thoughts
Were filed away
In short-term memories
Of yesterday

Faith Unnoted

Our faith. Our faithfulness.
Our measure of faith.
These we do not control.

Belief. Obedience.
Degree of persuasion.
Reflecting our eternal soul.

We remain accountable.

Omnipotent God

If God granted man
The option to choose
Then His sovereign plan
We could refuse

If our will was free
To do as we pleased
Then God's sovereignty
Would then be seized

4: *A Product of God's Will*

Though God gave all angels a will, He never gave them a free will; the same is true for all humans. In our God-centered reality of One Supreme Will, all creation will declare the glory of God. We have no say in it. **God's** glory does not depend upon our obedience unto Him; for when the full measure of God's glory is revealed, everyone will fall face-down before Him. In our human-centered reality of a "free" **will**, we like to think that if we just believe, try, do, whatever we put our minds to, then we will achieve our goals—which is true in part. The part that **is** not true is thinking that we think for ourselves. We are not a robot, nor a drone; yet our will is to God alone. One God—One Will.

The word "free" is never attached to the word "will" within the Bible. The only will that is truly free is God's Will, not ours. God applies a *Uniformity* thought process within all people: you (U-) will form (-form-) everything in life (-it-) into one (Uni-) main belief system of life in order to explain why (-y)... *Uni-form-it-y*. Our statements toward any topic reflect our Uniformity belief system more than the topics themselves. We apply this preprogrammed thought process as our **sovereign** God sees fit. Truth is a revelation, not a discovery. We reason God's revelations to make sense of Reality. God is capable of frustrating and preventing our attempts to know and understand Him. God is **even** sovereign **over** our ways of thinking. How we thought is how we will think, until reality is realized through Divine revelation.

The Biblical accounts we read are not recorded simply because they happened; they happened because God **willed** them to happen and are recorded as He intended them to be recorded, so that God can reveal more **of** His Holy Trinity to mankind. **Jesus** is the Author **and** Perfecter of our faith; for Jesus perfectly dictates the accounts of our faith for the will of His Father—**yet** we remain accountable. All Biblical accounts reflect God's sovereign will, including the account of Lucifer. It is not that God simply knew Lucifer would fall; it is that God designed, purposed, willed, and setup Lucifer to fall—all to tempt Adam to sin, that God may demonstrate His wrath and grace through Jesus Christ.

Do **you** really **believe** you have a say in God's will for **your** life? If you believe that God truly is God and that you were designed for a purpose, why can't your purpose be for God's glorious **will** and not your own? Then why pray to God? Prayer's power **is** revealed as *God freely calls us* to Him. Prayer is more what God reveals to us than what we say to Him. Pray to better know and better understand God's sovereignty. God is a God that all will fear and some will love.

5: *Love & Time*

Evol

"It hurts," you say
This thing called love
Reversed to portray
What you know not of

Now in disarray
You consider the cause
Yet only to weigh
Unmerited laws

Of how to survey
This "love" from of past
And how to delay
Your emotions amassed

This Evol decay
Called "love" by others
"Who are they
To reason love of another's?"

Your mind's heart gives way
Reasoning what once was
To your heart's mind in betray
Why; you ask? ...Because

You pray to prey
With bended knee and bent mind
To cast away yesterday
Pains left behind

You prescribe love as child's play
As you take the word in reverse
Knowing your Evol is Love-cliché
Now love, to you, is a curse

Yet love does not decay
Nor makes the heart hurt
'Tis the absence of love we survey
That makes the mind convert

**Sympathy for the Merely Sympathetic*

Troubled, are we?
Oh, boo hoo; I weep
I remorse
Of course

From of no proximity to you
For I'd rather remain true
To my sorrow for thee
Than help the bended knee

Pray to your God above
My time's too precious to love
But when sorrow comes my way
You better do more than pray

Ti-me with Love

If I had half my brain
And twice my heart
I'd be half as dumb
And twice as smart

If I had twice the time
And the same love
I'd be half as rich
Not twice thereof

If I used all time
To show all love
Then all would glimpse
God's grace above

I need not more
This thing called time
May love abound
That both may chime

5: *Love Time – or – emiT evol*

There is a time for everything under heaven. There is a time for many things in our lives. Yet there are some things that numerous individuals will not obtain. For some people, those “some things” might include God’s **love**—a pure love that is eternal and unmerited. We have all obtained a nature that imperfectly applies God’s pure love, which can possibly distort our understanding of **God** through time, form our own “reality” of love, and reflect our flawed reasoning of how to properly apply love. We often love by how we perceive we have been loved.

We can become misguided in our own “reality” to the point that love seems backward (evol) and evil seems so foreword, so direct and personal, that it can deceptively appear as attractive as love. No wonder we tend to differ **with** who God is, what love is, and how to best use time. Lucifer, who once worshiped L-O-V-E in heaven, is now the essence of E-V-O-L (love, in reverse). He who once L-I-V-E-D is now the D-E-V-I-L. The presence of each are purposed with their powers by God; that He might reveal and conceal, confuse and clarify—**all** for His control and glory. We will either express LOVE through TIME or we will apply the reversal and EMIT EVOL through the absence of love.

Time does not change; people do. Then we use time as a linear justification and excuse for our changes. Time is a consistency: always ticking by the second upon the next second; whereas, people are consistently inconsistent: always changing and being changed. Time is simply the tool at which we measure change. Time is a created element, which God can operate outside the realms of. There are times when we do not seem to understand how a loving and sovereign God is Love in the midst of what seems to be loveless times. When love seems absent, God remains. We question the essence of God’s love and His complete sovereignty over time through the lenses of our skewed “reality.” All of creation is the reflection of God’s Glory, which we cannot measure.

The cliché-like expression that “love hurts” is but one example of our skewed “reality.” Love does not hurt; the absence of love hurts. We form wounds through the misuse of love and blame it on time. Time without love forms wounds. God heals our wounds, not *more time*. Time was never ours to have; love was never ours to keep. The measure of love in our lives reflects our view and usage of time. Today becomes tomorrow’s regrets once love is absent. Do not tell **your**self you are not good enough for the ones you love the most. Which is greater: time or love? Decide now because **time** is running out; hopefully your love is not. God is a God that all will fear and some will love.

6: *Man & Words*

What is What and Who is Who

What is what and who is who
This we always ask
But asking does not quite make true
What others choose to mask

Questioning the man and not the glue
To which his words do hold
We twist his meaning to change their view
Thus weakening his person fourfold

In doing so we tend to skew
The purpose behind one's speech:
Tis' not to dwell on the words at few
But on how we might breach

Thought from thought and new from anew
Rewriting how to perceive
Man alone, not his words that drew
The audience that from you did cleave

In fear of fears you decided to
Belittle him alone
Yet not his words, for they flew
Greater than your own

And in so doing, it was only you
That belittles your own self
For you couldn't utter, much less chew
On his skilled words you wish did shelf

Thus remains the final two
Views to which you keep
One you know, the other you knew
Yet from one to the other they seep

What is what and who is who
This we always ask
Our asking is yet never through
For man and his words still mask

Madness and Its Beauties

Madness and Its Beauties
Reaping what they sow
Stating and then questioning
Refusing to forego

That what they perceive, a usury
Of what they do not know
What they believe is knowledge
Becomes their new-found foe.

Madness, likened to man
In that he thinks he can behold
Knowledge, as treasured beauty
But only opinions unfold

[not: "...only opinions exist"]

Wordabolic

Addictively applying
Trickery, then denying
Meaning and intent
All to circumvent

Unfulfilled desires
Flaming unwanted fires
In denial of your addiction
Amassing your affliction

You say that man is greater
Yet thoughts need a translator
In symbols and signs you speak
For truth you unknowingly seek

Our unclear thoughts mislead
Reflecting our clear, true need
Such is man's frustration
As part of God's creation

6: *All Men Are Maddened*

In order to understand and express any value system, there exists a co-dependent relationship between man and words. Even signs and symbols imply words, which carry meaning and intent. Thus, we adhere to social standards of communication, based on each word's definition(s) and application(s). Agreeing to a word's definition does not imply the same application of that word. Likewise, similar applications do not guarantee same definitions. To some, the word "love" is just a word; to others, it is **the** world. Agreeing on love's definition does not guarantee agreement of love's application. Differing views of love form differing ways of life. Differing views of valued words form differing values of viewed men. Men are viewed by others' values **more** than their own, reflecting how we have been influenced by **the** weightiness of **words**.

The ever-present dividing contrasts of words births madness into the minds of men, bringing about frustrated images of what is and what appears to be: the rule of madness. All men are maddened, in that they cannot create, recreate, or add meaning to past statements and are therefore limited to creating opinions of meanings that can be attributed to past statements, despite their proper citations. All men are maddened by differing opinions of others and their adherences toward words.

Man is nothing **more** than addictive desires; some of which hinder others, speaking both of man and desires: men hinder each other as **conflicting** desires are stirred **and** words are expressed. If man is more than **addictive** desires, prove so without expressing desires. Addicted? Conflicted? Man's most addictive desire is to feel in control. Partial acceptance of the full truth is full denial of one's ignorance. Do not allow **your** ignorance to become a hindrance toward your innocence.

We place a greater emphasis on sharing our **opinions** about facts than seeking to understand the facts themselves. Lucifer is the greatest at such word-trickery by attempting to implant subtle and deceptive thoughts into our minds that distort the true definition and application of God's Word. Lucifer realizes that if he cannot be God, then implement God's methodology: use God's Word; but redefine and reapply its original meaning and intent. Lucifer's method: entertain our thoughts to distract us from God's Word: "Sure, that's what God said; but is that really what He meant?" Lucifer's basis: There is no such thing as a complete thought, only a complete statement. Do not assume your ways of thinking **become** secure by your own doing. It is the Lord who guides all of our ways and determines the limitations of Satan's contact into our lives. God is a God that all will fear and some will love.

7: *God & Money*

**Mirror, Mirror, on the Wallet*

Mirror, Mirror, on the Wallet
I'll be the greatest when I call it
Merely, Merely, I'll clearly declare
That my mirror shall be my pair

Bow, Bow, to these sixes three
Such marks embark a bent knee
Brow, Brow, and each hand
Shall note 666 as was planned

Reflect, Reflect, pound per pound
All currency to assure all's sound
Refract, Refract, break each barter
That through me all must carter

Exchange, Exchange, hope for fear
Let the dollar bring all souls near
Estrange, Estrange, souls from God
That I may rule this currency façade

Rejoice, Rejoice, in your trials
As rebelled bodies are placed in piles
Re-voice, Re-voice, do declare
Me as lord while my numbers you wear

The Dollar or The Divine

Mastery of the purse, so you think
Your bag's a curse if you even blink
You say you serve your God alone
Yet you reserve your own throne

You claim you see but one seat
Yet you agree to defraud and cheat
I heard you distressed; I heard you say
I heard you request; I heard you pray

Save me, O Money! Help me, O Coin!
Like sweet honey, let comfort rejoin!
The Mark you'll observe to be a sign
With which to serve: Dollar or Divine

**The Other Ten Percent*

Let preachers preach
Of how to give
With such a speech
Let tithers live

So long as the church
Obtains its tithe
Those tithers will smirch
Let them be blithe

Preach not of how
To manage the rest
They'll live for now
And think they're blessed

Such a message
Makes money taboo
To form a presage
Thus, change their view

Of how to worth
Two universals:
Money and Time girth
Creating reversals

That I might gain
Mastery of both
Let all seem vain
Then to me betroth

I'll lend, that they'll serve
Me as their master
So sit back and observe
As I distract each pastor

To preachers: the ten
That I might gain
The rest in all men
Of what does remain

7: Image (of God) is Everything

Love it or hate it, money has become our necessary Universal Language that brings about global communication and an exchange of differing life-values. It is not **money**, in and of itself that we desire; it is the leveraging **and** usage of money we seek to obtain. Power is found in the controlling of others' money more than the amassing of one's own.

Money: the worldly image of most everything and primary tool for forming a world order—divinely purposed by our Sovereign God.

Image is everything, for image bears substance. Money is an image-bearer that permits us to obtain the substance (things, items, events, freedoms, etc.) we want and need. To bear an image greater than our own is to realize that our needs depend upon its substance and that our image is a reflection of its image. Rid the image of most any substance and all notions fall wayside. Rid money from most any man and life as we know it is forever changed. Most individuals jointly express the need for the Dollar without seeking their need for the Divine. In Money they trust. The Mark of the Beast **will** be God's test to see which Master (God or \$) we will serve and surrender our image unto.

The masses are persuaded more by the image of a substance than the substance itself: being measurable invites criticism; whereas, image is leverage. Lucifer's subtle goal is to convince the world that money merits its own morality—its own reality. The world's justice systems are founded on a monetary penalty system: sanctions, law suits, fines, etc.; and its reward system is founded on riches. When Lucifer was given dominion over the earth, he sought to control this Universal Language of Money. If Lucifer can **enslave** you with Money, he then has enslaved **your** Time—the only other Universal Language. As a result, we spend more **time** seeking the Dollar than the Divine. Money is the theme to the world's habits, choices, and thoughts; which God's people are **to** live **separate** from and yet within. God is Master of **you** and your money.

When the church only preaches about money in regards to tithing the ten percent, they miss ninety percent of the issue! The church's view on this topic: "Preach the quota (10%) to gain our quota (budget)." Yet they must consider: "If not the full (100%), then who's the fool?" With what is received, the church self-justifies the expenditure of allocated budgets, claiming the inability to transfer set monies **from** one itemized budget to another. With such actions deemed permissible by the leaders of our congregations, which Master is then being served? Stop **servicing** your own image and start serving the Image of **God**—the only Image for our substance. God is a God that all will fear and some will love.

8: *Temporary & Permanent*

Commandments

Optional actions
And those of command
The first, a preference
The other, demand
Second show greater
For life to withstand
Constant pressures
From ever-shifting sand

Eternally Forgiven, Yet Punished

Most all do falsely claim
That if you believe in Jesus' Name
God would choose to refrain
All wrath, punishment, and pain

You say that God forgave
Your sins that you still crave
And continue to commit
Thinking "forgiveness" will permit

You to do as before
While choosing to ignore
The truth that our God is LORD
Sovereignly equipped with His sword

For far more than a display:
To defend, punish, and slay
When you live life by your choosing
His forgiveness you are misusing

Frown

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Now what?
Nothing was fixed.
Not even temporarily!
No one even recognizes me.
Note when smiles would rather frown.

From God-like to Christ-like

Which of the Three
In the Trinity
Is it that we
Try to be?

Tis' God that we try
To emulate by
Yet wonder why
He won't comply

We seek to fulfill
Our selfish goodwill
And boast at our skill
Of our problem-fixing pill

With a brazen face
We attempt to replace
His sovereign grace
With our wrath in haste

That is, 'til we need
Grace like a seed
Which we pulled out to feed
Our temporary greed

Then of the remaining Two
Which of These do you
Suppose we must pursue
In hopes to bid adieu

The sins we amassed
Of recent and of past
Regardless of the contrast
Toward troubles we surpassed?

Tis' Christ we must reflect
Our sins, only He can eject
So rid your pride still erect
To the Trinity, permanently perfect

8: *Truth vs. Truth-Sayer*

Many people claim they want **to** be **fully** known and know nothing but the full truth; but is this always what they want? There can be fear in being fully known and desire in being fully **accepted**. If our desire is to overcome our fear, then our dislike toward any person should never keep us from accepting **the** truth being told. Yet we often fall victim to the comfort of lies rather than accepting **truth** that might hurt: to avoid the truth because of the messenger **is** to avoid our unwanted responsibilities. We degrade the messenger **to** divide the truth from the truth-sayer. If knowledge is power, **know** the power you lack by those whom you have silenced. Accept the truth, regardless of the truth-sayer.

Some claim they want to fully know **God**; but the full revelation of His Glory would kill us, for He **will**s our earthly bodies as too weak to even gaze upon Him. **Everyone** will receive a new eternal body, either to remain in God's Glorious presence or to endure excruciating **and** total punishment apart from God. Many Christians believe a common lie: that God's Grace prevents us from receiving His punishment while in our earthly bodies. Eternal salvation does not prevent temporary punishment. **Everything** truly does happen for a reason; but sometimes those reasons are the punishment of our choices. Even in ignorance, we sin and are held accountable for our faults and mistakes, **as** well as our intentional wrongdoings. Turning sin into sarcasm is a lack of conviction and untrue confession. Confessing to have no regrets on the basis of having "learned" something through pain displays an immense error in not learning from others' bad actions. Proper regrets form a healthy reality.

All actions affect reality and have an eternal outcome. Lucifer's time in heaven was meant to be temporary and his fall, permanent. Lucifer attempts to emulate the Holy Trinity (**God**, Jesus, Holy Spirit) by forming his own trifacta (Lucifer, Antichrist, False Prophet), thinking that if he cannot be God, then he will mimic God's Image as a false image. Lucifer's reasoning: a lie is as good as the truth, so long as you get the majority to believe that it **pleases** one's thoughts and desires. With layered lullabies, Lucifer attempts to spiritually sing us to sleep.

The Tempter's main tool is the Bible: referencing only half a verse to form a complete argument. The most persuasive element is a subtle and constant visual reminder of personal discontentment to rid our thoughts of eternity. Visual stimulation causes mental depredation. Consistent visual stimulation forms others' thoughts into ours. We all have consistencies; whether they are good or bad is an entirely different matter. God is a God that all will fear and some will love.

Scripture (NIV)

Ephesians 4:18 They are darkened in their understanding and separated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them due to the hardening of their hearts. Exodus 10:27a But the LORD hardened Pharaoh's heart. Isaiah 63:17a Why, O LORD, do you make us wander from your ways and harden our hearts so we do not revere you? Romans 11:32 For God has bound all men over to disobedience so that he may have mercy on them all. Matthew 13:14b-15 You will be ever hearing but never understanding; you will be ever seeing but never perceiving. For this people's heart has become calloused; they hardly hear with their ears, and they have closed their eyes. Otherwise they might see with their eyes, hear with their ears, understand with their hearts and turn, and I [Jesus] would heal them. Job 23:13-16 But he [God] stands alone, and who can oppose him? He does whatever he pleases. He carries out his decree against me, and many such plans he still has in store. That is why I am terrified before him; when I think of all this, I fear him. God has made my heart faint; the Almighty has terrified me. Ephesians 1:17 I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better. Luke 24:45 Then he [Jesus] opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures. 1 Samuel 3:7 Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD: The word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. Jeremiah 24:7 I will give them a heart to know me, that I am the LORD.

Psalms 99:8 O LORD our God, you answered them; you were to Israel a forgiving God, though you punished their misdeeds. Hebrews 12:6 Because the Lord disciplines those he loves, and he punishes everyone he accepts as a son.

Ezekiel 45:20a You are to do the same on the seventh day of the month for anyone who sins unintentionally or through ignorance. Daniel 4:32b, 35 The Most High is sovereign over the kingdoms of men and gives them to anyone he wishes. All the peoples of the earth are regarded as nothing. He [God] does as he pleases with the powers of heaven and the peoples of the earth. No one can hold back his hand or say to him: "What have you done?" James 2:19 You believe that there is one God. Good! Even the demons believe that—and shudder. Jeremiah 17:9-10b The heart is deceitful above all things and beyond cure. Who can understand it? I the LORD search the heart and examine the mind.

Proverbs 27:21b Man is tested by the praise he receives. Luke 10:22 All things have been committed to me [Jesus] by my Father [God]. No one knows who the Son is except the Father, and no one knows who the Father is except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. John 6:44 No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him, and I will raise them up at the last day. Lamentation 3:37 Who can speak and have it happen if the Lord has not decreed it? Isaiah 45:7b I bring prosperity and create disaster; I, the LORD, do all these things. Ecclesiastes 12:13b Here is the conclusion of the matter: Fear God and keep his commandments, for this is the whole duty of man. Romans 8:28 – 9:23 "...What if he [God] did this to make the riches of his glory known..."

Mind Map

Why Know?

To know
How thorough
God uses Lucifer as so
Is to owe
Full Fear
Toward God's planned premier
This sheer
Drop
Of what once was
This cosmic swap
This perfect sin's buzz
Ringing true
To you
To me
Through Adam, through Eve
Innate to sin
They ate to begin
To think like God
And win?
Their ways?
For their own praise?
This praise
From Satan
To un-straighten
To sin

Who too
Satan received anew
A praise-like phrase
That few
That flung
From God's own tongue
That pride would lurk among
Lucifer's lung
His every breath
To bring death
Decay
That God then may
Restore one day
Man to Him
That with each limb
And each bone
Our words would hymn
His praise alone
Yet from bone marrow
Yet from within
Satin's rib
Formed the first sin
To then crib
As poisonous roots
Revealing God's other attributes

Solve Me to Know Me

Analyze me fully
Study me quite well
Note my mental makeup
Watch me show and tell

Read not my secret files
Nor mark my flawed way
Yet reason all my trials
With words I then rephrase

Try to solve this problem
Write out each step for me
Please get to the bottom
Of my misery

Damnation

To miss the mark
By nature's ways
And then embark
In selfish praise

To shift the blame
Reason with flaws
Degrade God's Name
Form man's own laws

To have no hope
No help within
Yet have in scope
An unfixed sin

Salvation

I sinned
Deserving God's rod
Do amend
Forgive my sins, God

I contend
Sin, I do abhorred
Befriend
I profess Jesus as Lord

I commend
Jesus raised eternally
Please send
The Holy Spirit into me

GREATER MEN BEFORE ME / GREATER MEN TO COME / WHAT MAKES ME THINK I WOULD / HAVE THE SAME WISDOM

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H A H S V A

DONT LET WHAT YOU DONT KNOW DISTURB WHAT YOU DO KNOW

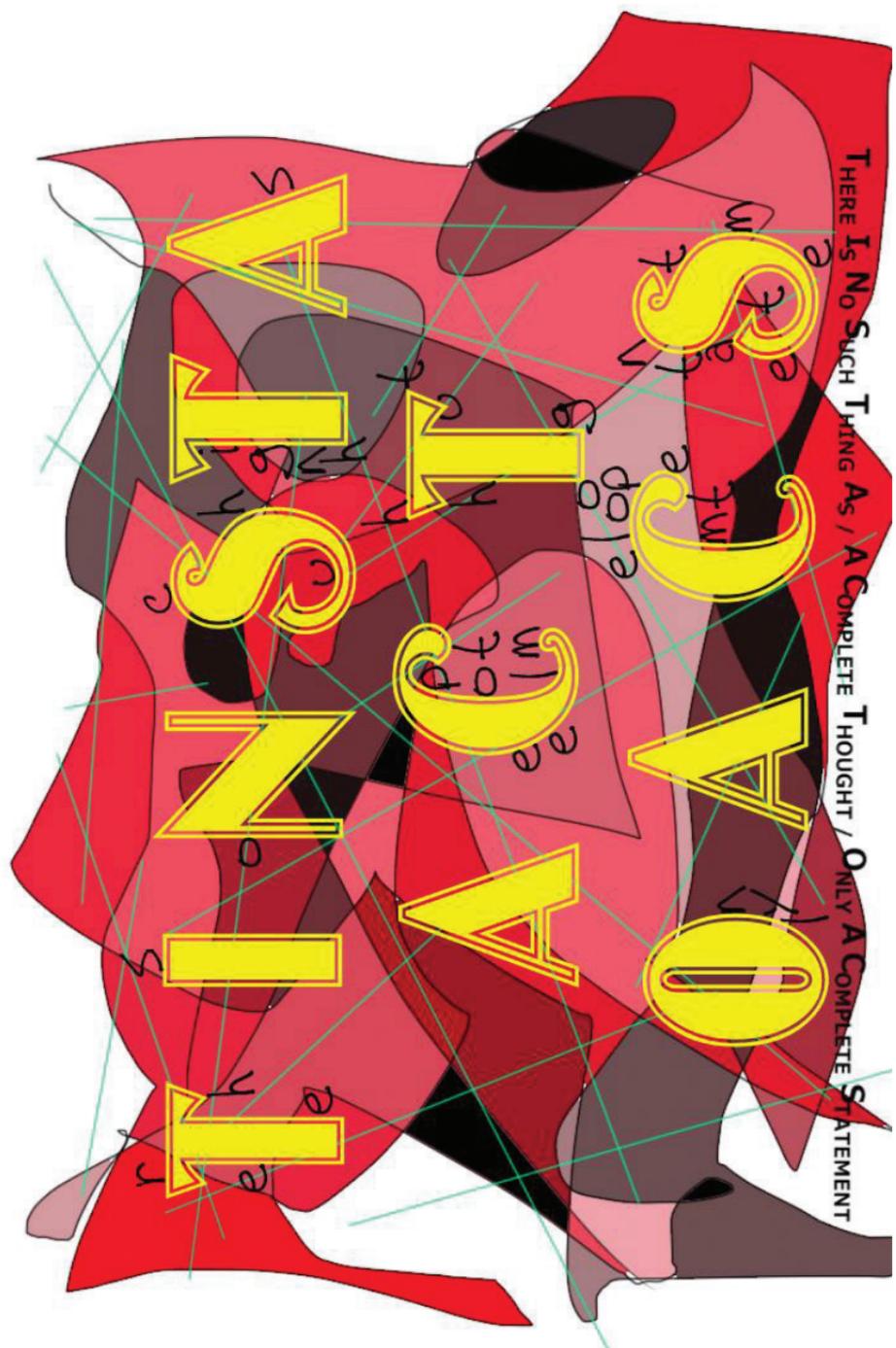


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Time was never ours to have / Love was never ours to keep

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Before God began the seven-day creation, He made Lucifer and all other angels. Before Lucifer was found to be with pride, he was recognized by God as “the model of perfection.” Between the recognition and the pride, Lucifer was convinced he was worthy of praise. Who convinced him and why? What was Lucifer really created to do and how can we understand God better through seeking the answers to these questions? Most everyone wants to understand the Love of God. Few are willing to understand the Fear of God. God is a God that all will fear and some will love.

Psalm 135:6 (NIV) “The LORD does whatever pleases Him, in the heavens and on the earth, in the seas and all their depths.”

Many have spiritually fallen asleep to
Lucifer’s Lullaby...

If Only

If only the tongue had a brain
Or the brain tongue-tied
Then all words flung would seem sane
That all pain might then subside

If only reality would seem less real
Or real seem less true
Then all hearts would less fell
That sad feelings might then undo

FEAR
GOD
LOVE
GOD

FEAR GOD LOVE GOD

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