The Attackers: Lucifer's Conspiracy: Eliminate Client Nations; The Doctrine of Evil: Lucifer's Campaign Promise: "I will be like the Most High"; Platform: Production of Human Good: Problem-Solving Apart from the Grace of God; Biblical Warnings Against Evil: Rom 12:21; 2 Tim 3:13, 2:25–26; Heb 5:13–14; 3 John 11; 1 Sam 15:19–23; Eccl 8:2; Isa 5:20–21

- 49. Lucifer's efforts are unrelenting but constantly in an ebb and flow throughout post-fall history. His efforts succeed on a small scale from time to time, but he never has nor will he ever accomplish his objective of global domination.
- 50. Top priority on his to-do list is the elimination of client nations since its Christian population provides a haven of refuge for believers who, with the power of the Holy Spirit, frustrate Satan's strategy.
- 51. To fully appreciate the element that energizes the Dark Side's efforts in the Invisible War, it is necessary to delve into an examination of the doctrine of evil.
- 52. In doing so we shall observe how evil applies to believers individually, to governments, to a client nation, and to the world at large.

## THE DOCTRINE OF EVIL

- I. Definition and Examples:
  - 1. Evil is the policy of Satan by which he attempts to administer his rulership of this world.

**2 Corinthians 4:3** - Even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing,

**v. 4** - in whose case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelieving so that they might not see the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of god.

- 2. Evil is the embodiment of all that Satan attempts to do in his age-old endeavors to "be like the Most High" (Isaiah 14:14*b*).
- 3. In order to accomplish this objective, Lucifer seeks to delude people into pursuing a false Millennium.

- 4. To bring about a perfect environment, evil ideas and philosophies are utilized to solve the problems of this world and are classified as human viewpoint, human good, and human works.
- 5. Lucifer's strategy for global harmony includes the promotion of human good as the catalyst for social and political reform apart from the integrity of God.
- 6. Experiments are underway presently in our country seeking the achievement of these kinds of reforms under the rhetorical veil of "justice."
- 7. Social justice is defined for us by Dr. Robert Block, professor of economics at Loyola University-New Orleans:

"Social Justice" is typically associated with left wing or socialist analyses, policies and prescriptions. For example, poverty is caused by unbridled capitalism; the solution is to heavily regulate markets, or ban them outright. Racism and sexism account for the relative plight of racial minorities and women; laws should be passed prohibiting their exercise. Greater reliance on government is required as the solution of all sorts of social problems.

The planet is in great danger from environmental <u>despoliation</u> [looting and robbery], due to an unjustified reliance on private property rights. Taxes are too low; they should be raised. Charity is an insult to the poor, who must obtain more revenues by right, not condescension. Diversity is the sine qua non of the fair society. Discrimination is one of the greatest evils to have ever beset mankind. Use of terminology such as "mankind" is sexist, and constitutes hate speech.<sup>1</sup>

- 8. Political justice is a term applied to the concepts of "free," "equal," and "fair." These terms were central to the work of John B. Rawls, Harvard professor of political philosophy, whose seminal work is *A Theory of Justice*.
- 9. The application of these three concepts is summarized by Rawls as redistribution of income and wealth, universal health care for everyone, and publically financed elections.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Walter Block, "Social Justice," <u>www.lewrockwell.com</u>, 2004. © 2004 by LewRockwell.com. All rights reserved. Accessed March 10, 2012.

- 10. Such efforts serve to intensify the problems and result in evil which is characterized by its total denunciation of grace.
- 11. Documentary passages on evil:
  - (1) The title of Lucifer's plan is evil while the plan of God is call "the good":

**Romans 12:21** - Stop being conquered by evil but conquer evil by means of the good.

(2) Once a believer enters into the cosmic systems, the longer he stays the more evil he becomes:

**2 Timothy 3:13** - Evil men, even deceivers will advance to more and more evil and they will do it through deceiving others, they also being deceived.

(3) Divine discipline is designed to motivate the cosmic believer out of evil:

**2 Timothy 2:25** - God exercises discipline toward those who are in opposition so that perhaps He may give them a change of mind for the purpose of achieving a full knowledge of truth,

**v. 26** - and that they should come to their senses and be delivered from the devil's trap having been held captive by him in order to do his will.

(4) Although all personal sin was imputed to Christ and judged at the cross, both human good and evil remain as the antagonists of the Angelic Conflict.

**Hebrews 5:13** - Everyone existing on milk is ignorant of the doctrines pertaining to righteousness because he is an immature believer.

**v. 14** - But advanced doctrine belongs to the mature believer, the one who through self-discipline keeps on having their perceptive faculties well-trained with reference to discernment between good and evil.

(5) A believer's attitude toward the Word of God is reflected by his attitude toward life:

**3 John 11** - Fellow believers, do not be imitators of evil but be imitators of the good. The one doing the good is from God but the one doing the evil has not seen God.

(6) Revolution and antiauthority are considered by God to be on a par with divination and idolatry all of which are said to be evil. For example, Samuel admonishes Saul for his failure to conduct the war against the Amalekites as He directed him to do: kill all of them and take no booty (1 Samuel 15:2–3):

**1 Samuel 15:19** - "Why did you not obey the voice of the Lord, but rushed upon the spoil and did what was evil in the sight of the Lord."

(7) What Saul did that was considered evil by the Lord is outlined in this exchange between Saul and Samuel in verse 23:

**1 Samuel 15:20** - Then Saul said to Samuel, "I did obey the voice of the Lord, and went on the mission on which the Lord sent me, and I have brought back Agag the king of Amalek, and have utterly destroyed the Amalekites.

**v. 21** - "But the people took some of the spoil, sheep and oxen, the choicest of the things devoted to destruction, to sacrifice to the Lord your God at Gilgal."

**NOTE:** Saul was commanded by the Lord to kill ox, sheep, camel, and donkey. Saul's failure to do so in favor of using the spared animals for sacrifice is an example of human good that would have resulted in evil had these animals actually been sacrificed at Gilgal.

**v. 22** - Samuel said, "Has the Lord as much delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices as in obeying the voice of the Lord? Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to heed than the fat of rams.

**v. 23** - "For <u>rebellion</u> [ מְרִי (*meri*): to ignore God's word ] is equivalent to the sin of <u>divination</u> [ כְּקָעָם (*qesem*): appealing to false gods for direction ], and antiauthority is equivalent to idolatry. Because you have rejected the Word of God, He has rejected you from being king."

12. Rebellion, revolution, sedition, and antiauthority are all anti-biblical and are manifestations of Lucifer's plan of evil:

**Ecclesiastes 8:2** - I say, "Keep the command of the king because of the oath before God.

**v. 3** - "Do not be in a hurry to leave him. Do not join in an evil matter, for he will do whatever he pleases."

13. Evil concepts derived from anthropocentric thinking are developed into human norms and standards which are called "good":

**Isaiah 5:20** - Woe to those who call evil good, and good evil; those who claim their darkness to be the light and true light they classify as darkness; those who pronounce bitterness to be sweetness while calling sweet bitter!

**Isaiah 5:21** - Woe to those who are wise in their own eyes and clever in their own sight!