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# THE IMPACT OF SATAN UPON THE BELIEVER

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A connection between the sovereignty of God and evil?

YES

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God cannot be tempted with evil,

neither tempteth he any man:

*JAMES 1:13*

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EVIL

Real vs Illusion

*“...sin, sickness, and death are unreal.”*

M.B. Eddy

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Satan?



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How many believe in Satan?

70% in 2007

Up 15%

VOX

# Where did evil come from?

Genesis 1:31 – “*very good*”

Genesis 3 - the “serpent” appears

# Angelic Rebellion

2 Peter 2:4

Jude 1:6



# Reality of Satan

Found in

7 books in the Old Testament

Every book of the New Testament

# A Brief Summary

1. Satan personally exists.

Job 1:7;

2 Corinthians 2:11

# A Brief Summary

2. Satan = powerful, intelligent, and evil

Job 1:12

Ephesians 6:11

# A Brief Summary

3. Satan is engaged in spiritual warfare with God, angels, and believers.

1 Chronicles 21:1

Zech. 3:1-2

1 Peter 5:8

# I. CAN BELIEVERS BE DEMON POSSESSED?

A. An unfortunate term

not reflected in the Greek text

Romans 6:14 '*sin shall not have dominion*'

# I. CAN BELIEVERS BE DEMON POSSESSED?

## B. No Scriptural support

2 Corinthians 6:15 – ‘what concord hath Christ with belial?’

## II. CAN BELIEVERS BE SATAN'S TARGET?

### A. YES

2 Corinthians 2:11

Ephesians 6:11

# Believers Targeted

- 1. David's Pride – 1 Chron. 21:1-7*
- 2. Ananias and Sapphira's  
covetousness – Acts 5:1-11*



## II. CAN BELIEVERS BE SATAN'S TARGET?

### B. Tools of Satan used against believers

- 1. Tolerate sin*
- 2. Withhold forgiveness*

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### B. Tools of Satan used against believers

3. *Doubt one's salvation*

4. *Satan is the great sifter*

### III. HOW DO YOU DEAL WITH THE INFLUENCE OF EVIL?

A. To the Scriptures we must turn

Jude 1:9

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## *1. Not exorcism*

An apostolic sign gift – temporary

2 Corinthians 12:7-10

1 Thessalonians 2:18

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Christ never instructed the seven churches of Asia in exorcism.

Rev. 2:8-9, 13a; 3:7a, 9a

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## 2. Progressive Sanctification – Not Crisis Sanctification

James 4:7-8

*“What about hard cases?”*

*- more of the same*