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The Prize – Part 1

Life is a battle, but contrary to what we might believe, we do not win it by using carnal (fleshly) weapons. The core conflict in our lives is taking place in an unseen dimension. The Bible calls it “the spirit world”. Our flesh is frequently subjected to temptations, and our minds are sometimes infused with detrimental thoughts, but the forces which **cause** these oppressions are naturally imperceptible. That is, we cannot detect them using our five natural senses. We need to employ a sixth sense... one which can differentiate spirits. (2Cor10:3-5)

Let’s observe the battle of life in the spirit world. Imagine a prize fight, where your spirit is the prize to the Victor. In this battle, the Principals are YESHUA HaMashiach (JESUS The Messiah, The Christ), and the fallen arch-angel Lucifer (the devil). Although we may not be able to see them with our natural eyes, they are both fighting heartily to claim the victory for our eternal destiny. Since we were Created in The Image and Likeness of GOD, the “spirit” part of our “being” is Eternal. That is, it lives forever... as GOD Is An Eternal Being. (John10:28) The battle is, consequently, not over **whether** we **will** live forever, but rather, **where** we will live. Please ponder that concept for a moment, if you will, as our sense of reality is **determined** by how or what we perceive.

Getting back to the “Prize Fight”, I will introduce the challenger first. He is Lucifer (or Satan, the devil), and he is one of the three most powerful angels that GOD Created. The other two arch-angels, Gabriel and Michael have chosen to remain faithful to GOD. Unfortunately, though, Lucifer neglected to remain appreciative of the Glorious Attributes which GOD Had Bestowed upon him, and in his malignant, self-focused arrogance, he considered himself worthy to be praised and obeyed. [The psychologists label that, (and quite appropriately) a Messianic Complex.] He then proceeded to postulate **the single most inane pathological delusion** that could **ever** be misconceived. In this stroke of infinite, incongruous absurdity, he determined that he would kill GOD!!!

**What preposterousness!** It was as if an amoeba decided to build a bridge to the furthestmost planet in the Universe. There is **a b s o l u t e l y**, **positively, undeniably... no way**. In my opinion, I don’t believe that there is a more ludicrous thought imaginable. I contend that if we purposed

to think of something more **irrational** than that, we would fail. Thus, Lucifer's plan was doomed to failure... and **fail it will**. ☺ Satan (the devil) is a **finite** being... limited in intelligence (obviously), as well as in power and in wisdom. He can only be in one place at a time.

Conversely, GOD Is Omniscient (All-Knowing), Omnipotent (All-Powerful), and Omnipresent (Everywhere, and in all the dimensions of time, simultaneously). Ergo, **GOD Is everywhere, continually**. (Past, present, and future... always, and in All Ways HOLY.) He Is The Supreme Entity!

**Lucifer made the ultimate impropriety (blooper, boner, boo-boo, bungle, dumb move, dumb thing to do, error, fault, faux pas, flub, flub-up, fluff, gaffe, goof, howler, inaccuracy, indiscretion, lapse, muff, oversight, slip, slip-up, solecism, etc.),** to the demise of himself and to all those who would consequently follow him. In his **ludicrous and delirious defiance of sanity and reason**, his attempts to kill GOD (**Who Is Love, Justice, and Light**) have removed all goodness and mercy from his eternal destiny. Also, besides destroying his own eternal well-being, he shamelessly coaxed one third of the other angels into rebelling against our Perfect Creator, and together, they have purposely deceived billions of human beings, coaxing them to worship useless idols. (An idol can be anything that is not GOD) The results are evidenced by the current world condition.

Attempting to kill Love is **asinine**. **A s i n i n e** (i.e., foolish, unintelligent, or silly; stupid; of or like an ass.) Would you obey and trust your Eternal Destiny to a herd of donkeys? I don't think so, either. ☺

Throughout history, the devil and the fallen angels have tried to prevent the Birth of The Savior into the world, but The Mercy of GOD Is Greater than the combined power of all those who would oppose Him. HaMashiach, (The Messiah, The Christ) Has Been Given to the world to Redeem us... those who will **Believe**. Glory and Honor Belong to our Merciful FATHER! Alleluiah to The King of Kings, and The Lord Of Lords!! His Kindnesses and Mercy Endure Forever!!! Amen. ("so be it", or "I Believe it", or "I Agree.")