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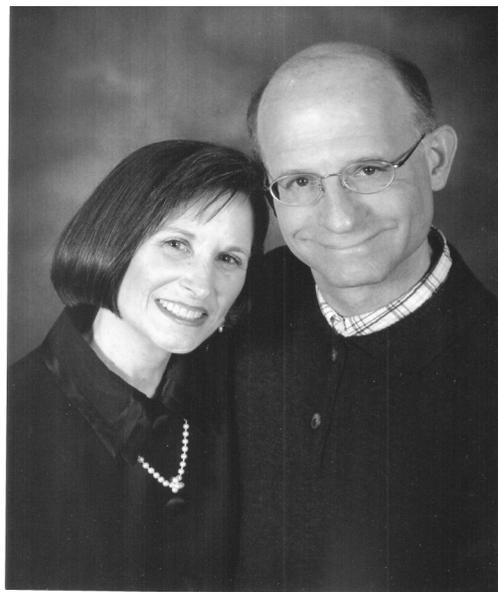
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Made in the Image of God, Almighty!

A friend said something which has 'got me thinkin': 'The reason Satan hates Man, so, is that God created Man in His Own Image.' 'And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth. ²⁷ So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.' Gen 1:26

Why should that engender such murderous hatred in Lucifer!? Well, what do we know about Lucifer? Most of what we know is found in Ezekiel 28 and Isaiah 14: 'Son of man, take up a lamentation upon the king of Tyrus, (Lucifer is the king of Tyrus) and say unto him, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Thou sealest up the sum, full of wisdom, and perfect in beauty. ¹³ **Thou hast been in Eden** the garden of God; **every precious stone was thy covering**, the sardius, topaz, and the diamond, the beryl, the onyx, and the jasper, the sapphire, the emerald, and the carbuncle, and gold: the workmanship of **thy tabrets and of thy pipes** was prepared in thee in the day that thou wast created. ¹⁴ Thou art the anointed cherub that covereth; and I have set thee so: thou wast upon the holy mountain of God; thou hast walked up and down in the midst of the stones of fire. ¹⁵ Thou wast perfect in thy ways from the day that thou wast created, till iniquity was found in thee. ¹⁶ By the multitude of thy **merchandise** they have filled the midst of thee with violence, and thou hast sinned: therefore I will cast thee as profane out of the mountain of God: and I will destroy thee, O covering cherub, from the midst of the stones of fire. ¹⁷ Thine heart was lifted up because of thy beauty, thou hast corrupted thy wisdom by reason of thy **brightness**: I will cast thee to the ground, I will lay thee before kings, that they may behold thee. ¹⁸ Thou hast defiled thy sanctuaries by the multitude of thine iniquities, by the iniquity of thy **traffick**; therefore will I bring forth a fire from the midst of thee, it shall devour thee, and I will bring thee to ashes upon the earth in the sight of all them that behold thee.' Ezekiel 28:12

Lucifer was perfect when created; he was perfect in wisdom and beauty; he was the 'cherub that covereth;' it's thought that his was the high honor to cover the Throne Room of God; his 'tabrets and pipes' seems to indicate that his ministry was musical: perhaps involving the musical worship of God; we know that angels sing praises; perhaps Lucifer directed them. In Isaiah 14:12, we read: 'How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! how art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations! ¹³ For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, **I will exalt my throne** above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north: ¹⁴ I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; **I will be like the most High**. ¹⁵ Yet thou shalt be brought down to hell, to the sides of the pit.' Isaiah 14:12



Lucifer had a throne; ' I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north: ²⁴ I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High.' He must have been given, by God, a kingdom over which to rule; it's thought that his 'kingdom' may have included our present Solar System: the Sun and all the planets revolving around it, maybe our entire Galaxy... realize, our 'Milky Way Galaxy' is only one of billions of galaxies within God's unimaginably huge Universe.

We're told that his kingdom involved commerce: '... By the multitude of thy merchandise/ by the iniquity of thy traffick...' this sounds like a society based on trade, exchange, trafficking... his 'covering' was made up of various precious stones: diamonds, sapphires, emeralds and gold... perhaps, in his lust to enhance his beauty, he hoarded these kinds of precious things, commanding those around him to gather them from throughout the system for him... perhaps each planet was a type of paradise ruled by different angels under Lucifer's rule. Lucifer had it all; the highest angel with everything anyone could want: perfect wisdom, beauty, power, riches... God must have loved Lucifer immensely but it wasn't enough for him... he actually believed he could supplant God, Himself; just imagine the seething envy and hatred he must have harbored toward God, the Son, the Lord Jesus Christ.

'Thou wast perfect in thy ways from the day that thou wast created, till iniquity was found in thee... By the multitude of thy merchandise they have filled the midst of thee with violence, and thou hast sinned... Thine heart was lifted up because of thy beauty, thou hast corrupted thy wisdom by reason of thy brightness... I will cast thee to the ground!'

Perhaps, because of Lucifer's sin, his entire 'kingdom' was destroyed, wiped out, every planet became a sterile wasteland: 'And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep.' Gen 1:2 The Hebrew word translated: 'was' 'the earth was without form,' is 'haya' and it can also mean 'to become' as in, '**the Earth became without form and void.**' The Hebrew word for without form is: bohoo. However, in Isaiah 45:18: '*For thus saith the LORD that created the heavens; God himself that formed the earth and made it; he hath established it, **he created it not in vain, he formed it to be inhabited: I am the LORD; and there is none else.**'* The Hebrew word for vain, here, bohoo: is the same word! He did not create the Earth without form and void! We can't have it both ways. This is not conjecture; these verses do actually say this and they both use the very same Hebrew word. Either it is a contradiction or a mistake, which

is impossible! Or, perhaps, the Truth is deeper than we've realized.

Either He did create it without form, or He did not... or... He did not but it **became without form** upon the complete annihilation of Lucifer's kingdom. Let's just suppose I am accurate, for now...

After the Earth, the other planets and even the Sun... lie dead, dark and dormant for untold ages, Lucifer's kingdom having been destroyed in darkness... then, suddenly, without warning, God begins to further the next steps of His Eternal Plan which has always had one overarching purpose: the Glory of God. Lucifer and all the fallen angels had no clue that they were, from the moment of their creation, important pawns in God's Perfect Plan to glorify Himself! First, He said: 'Let there be light!' and there was light! the polar opposite to Lucifer's, now, kingdom of darkness. God then caused the Earth to begin revolving, resulting in regular days and nights.

He created the atmosphere to separate the waters above and below; He called it Heaven; He caused dry land to separate the waters of the seas; He created all manner of plant life; He created the Sun, Moon and Stars; He created all manner of sea creatures and birds of every kind; He created every creature that lives on land; all of this, He said, was good! Everything was perfect as every plant and creature lived and moved within a perfect relationship; nothing died and nothing rotted.

Finally, God created His Masterpiece, His pièce de résistance:

*'And God said, **Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.**'* ²⁷ So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them. ²⁸ And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the

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sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth.' Gen 1:26

Shaking his fist, Lucifer screams, 'How could You do such a thing!? The Earth is mine!! I am the Prince of this World! This is my kingdom! The Man forfeited dominion when he disobeyed!

This is mine! All of it! It's all Mine! Lucifer saw himself as the pinnacle of God's Creation until this... God actually made a man in His Own Image! God is a Tripartite Being: He is Three Persons but One God: God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit: 3-in-1. He created Man as a tripartite being: three persons in one man: man the physical self, man the spiritual self and man the living soul: 3-in-1.

This was foreign to Lucifer and it must have caused him to seethe with envy, jealousy and hatred; he'd have taken it as a personal offense: 'I am the highest order of being! How dare He create this puny thing, from dirt, and then to make it to reflect Yourself!' I hate You! I hate this man-thing! I will destroy it and I will destroy You! I will be like the Most High; I will be better than the Most High; I will take His place and rule the Universe! But first, I'll destroy everything He has created!

First, Lucifer set about to destroy God's precious ones by inducing them to sin, to disobey God's command and He had told them that they would die if they sinned;

well, they did sin but they didn't die completely! In fact, God cursed Lucifer and Promised to send a Savior for men.

'I tempted them to sin over and over again and still, You kept forgiving them! You never forgave me! I sinned one little time and bam! You're through with me; I hate you and I hate them! You sent your precious Son and I had him crucified! So there! But You raised Him back to life! How fair is that!? And then... insult to injury... You had Him taking all their sin to the Cross! And the worst of it all... You apparently chose a bunch of these things, for Yourself, before You even created the World and you protect them from me; You don't give me any chance to get at them, at all! And you invite them to be 'one with You... what's that about!? And You actually adopt them as Your Own children!? You never adopted me... even when I lowered myself to serve You! And You're drawing them from every people group... even ones that I've had all to myself! Muslims, Mormons, Buddhists, Hindus, even Catholics... those are all mine! Worst of all: You actually recreate them, You give them Eternal Life and plan for them to rule and reign with You forever! I hate You! I hate them! I would destroy every one of them if You'd only get out of the way!'

Some of this might seem a little 'out

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there' and yet, maybe not; we'll know all about it one day soon. But this is true: Lucifer/Satan hates us with psychopathic, murderous hatred BUT... even though 'we wrestle against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places, ... **greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world.**' Eph 6:12/1John 4:4 God created Lucifer for His Glory; He created us for His Glory; He has created all things for His Glory and He will be Glorified forever... in us and through us and He has promised to glorify us as His children and the Bride of His Son.

Do not fear what we see coming upon the World and our own Nation! **'Fear thou not; for I am with thee: be not dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness.'** Isaiah 41:10 **Fear Not! He will come for us very soon!**

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