

Lucifer

Making The Bible Come Alive

The Thief

Who was this person?

- Lucifer began as a created being who was in the Heavens, with God and other angels.
- Lucifer thought very highly of himself. He felt that he was more beautiful, more smart and more powerful than God.
- He wanted to get the honour and glory that God was receiving.
- He was filled of pride, which is very destructive.

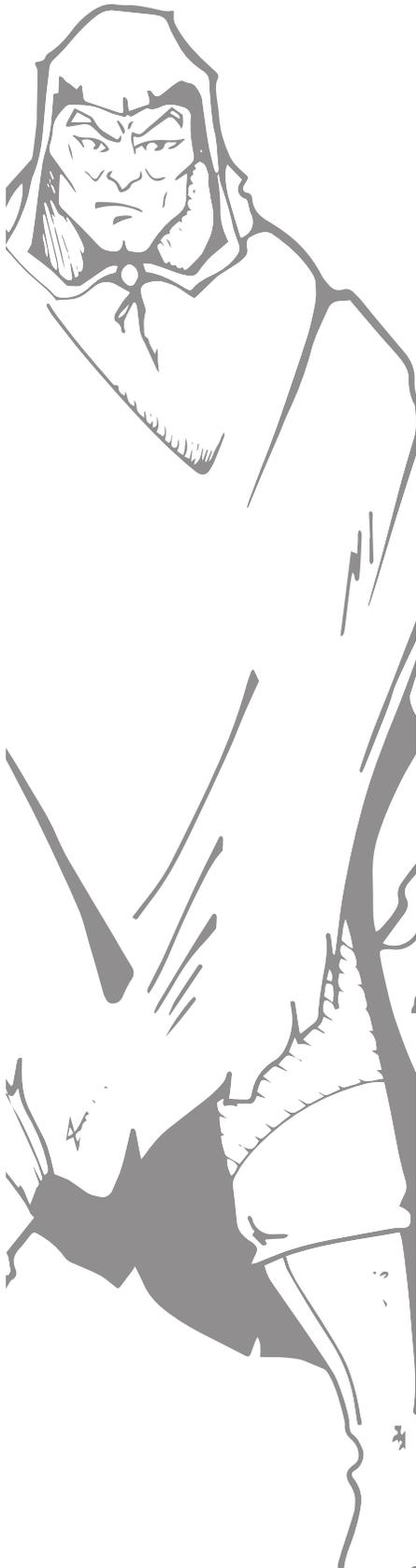
What is this person known for?

- Because of his desire to be better than God, God banished Lucifer from living in heaven.
- God changed his name from “Morning Star” to “Satan”.
- Jesus describes Satan as falling like lightning from heaven (Luke 10:18).
- In the book of Revelation, Scripture tells us that after the second coming of Christ, Satan will be bound in a pit during a 1,000 year millennial reign where Christ rules and then he will be thrown into the lake of fire that has been prepared for the devil and his angels. (Rev. 20:3)

WHY DO YOU THINK THIS PERSON HAS BEEN INCLUDED IN GOD'S STORY?

- **To remind us we have a choice.** God has given those He created a free will to choose how they will live; but it is God’s desire that we choose to live for Him and put Him first in all we do.
- **To remind us that there is only One God.** God’s Word makes it very clear that there should be no other gods before Him. Lucifer is a perfect example of a created being who wanted to be “better” than God. But God dealt with him and changed the course of his existence, and his eternity.
- **To show us that there is a real heaven and a real hell.** Heaven is designed for God and those who have chosen to follow Him through believing in His Son, Jesus. Hell is also real, and was





created for Satan and those who choose to not follow God and be in relationship with Him.

- **To remind us that disobedience always has a price.** Lucifer's actions remind us that there are serious consequences to not following God and living according to His ways.

LIFE APPLICATION QUESTIONS:

Pose the following two questions to your children, one at a time. Allow for interaction and discussion, letting them share their thoughts while you guide the conversation.

- What life lessons can I learn from this Bible character about how I should and should not live?
- Based on what I have learned from this Bible character, how can I live in a way that is pleasing to God.

MORE IN GOD'S WORD

To help older children understand prideful ways and how one can go from being one of God's angels to wanting to be better than God. Read with them the words of the Prophet Ezekiel and the Prophet Isaiah, as set out in Ezekiel 28:1-19 and Isaiah 14:12-15.

You can also review other Scripture passages that reference Lucifer; Satan as he was renamed (also referred to as the devil or the enemy):

- 1 Peter 5:8
- 2 Corinthians 4:4 and 11:14
- Ephesians 6:11-12
- James 4:7
- Jude 1:6, 9
- Romans 16:20