

Western Culture's Institutions are collapsing and corrupted:

1. Government & Politics - loss of trust, gridlock:
Deepening distrust, perception of unfairness, failure to address ordinary needs, ideological rigidity, and paralysis.
2. Higher Education - ideological capture, declining standards:
Criticized for ideological bias (DEI offices), failing to foster critical thinking, and creating stark divides in opportunity, potentially imperiling civilization.
3. Media - polarization, bias:
Seen as partisan, eroding truth, and failing to unite rather than divide, contributing to societal fragmentation.
4. Economy/Market:
Concerns about "extractive" systems that benefit elites, create inequality, and lead to "sclerosis" where innovation stalls.
5. Family, Civil Society & Morality - fragmentation, erosion of shared values:
Breakdown of shared norms, contract between generations, and a retreat from traditional virtues, leading to alienation and decay.

Evolution is scientifically impossible:

1. Life cannot come from non-life
 - a. Before life can evolve, Life has to exist before life can evolve.
 - b. According to evolution the first life had to come about from non-life which is called "spontaneous generation" (also known as abiogenesis).
 - c. Spontaneous generation was proven false by Louis Pasteur in 1864.
 - d. Spontaneous generation is a theory, but unprovable which means it is not science.
 - e. Supporters of evolution admit that evolution is based on non-provable assumptions, yet claim their theory is a scientific fact.
 - f. So, evolution is closer to a religion or superstition than it is to science!
2. Life cannot exist without an operating program that informs life how to function.
 - a. The operating system for life has to be fully developed for life to exist
 - b. This means these ridiculous things must happen:
 - i. Life emerges from non-life
 - ii. The operating system for life to exists is in existence and functioning before there is such a thing as life
 - iii. The original life had to come with a reproducing or self-replicating system the very first moment it existed.
 - c. When asked how the above three things could all happen at the same time the evolutionist Richard Dawkins answered, "I've told you. We don't know."
 - d. Evolutionists admit in their classes, their writings and their lectures will say things like John Keosian, the biology professor at Rutgers University said, "Even conceptually, it is difficult to see how a system satisfying the minimum criteria for a living thing can arise by chance and, simultaneously, include a mechanism containing the suitable information for its own replication."

- e. Basically, the operating system for life has to be a miracle according to the evolutionists “scientific model and understanding.”
- 3. The fallacy of “Natural Selection”
 - a. “Natural selection may explain the survival of the fittest, but it cannot explain the arrival of the fittest” – Hugo de Vries, Dutch evolutionary botanists
 - b. The species (plural, all of them) must already exist for the filtering process of natural selection to take place
 - c. Natural selection does not create the species.
 - d. And, a mutation does not produce a major new raw material. So, scientifically a new species cannot be mutated into existence.
 - e. For a species to develop the genetic code that exist must be programmed to allow that development.
 - i. An animal may grow an extra wing or toe, but not an entirely new feature.
- 4. Evolution is scientifically unprovable and has insufficient evidence that is constantly redefining and updating their supporting evidence.
 - a. Believing in a Creator God and the text of Scripture is now more rational and provable than the religion of evolution.
 - b. Evolution is plagued with erroneous evidences that have been published in scientific journals and textbooks.
 - c. Supporters of evolution use double talk or a word that has two meanings. For example, what is “evolution”?
 - i. Evolution refers to change that happens over time (true)
 - ii. Evolution refers to molecules becoming mankind over time (stupid)

Romans 8:37-39 – “37 No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. 38 For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, 39 nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.”

Ephesians 1:15-23 - “For this reason, because I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love[g] toward all the saints, 16 I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers, 17 that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him, 18 having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, 19 and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his great might 20 that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, 21 **far above all rule and authority and power and dominion**, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come. 22 And he put all things under his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, 23 which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Ephesians 2:1-3 – “And you were dead in the trespasses and sins 2 in which you once walked, following the course[a] of this world, following the **prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience**— 3 among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the flesh and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind.[b] 4 But[c] God, being rich in mercy,....”

Ephesians 3:8-13 – “To me, though I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given, to preach to the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ, 9 and to bring to light for everyone what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in[b] God, who created all things, 10 so that through the church the manifold wisdom of God might now be made known to the **rulers** and **authorities** in the **heavenly places**. 11 This was according to the eternal purpose that he has realized in Christ Jesus our Lord, 12 in whom we have boldness and access with confidence through our faith in him. 13 So I ask you not to lose heart over what I am suffering for you, which is your glory.

Ephesians 6:10-20 – “Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. 11 Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the **devil**. 12 For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the **rulers**, against the **authorities**, against the **cosmic powers** over this present darkness, against the **spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places**. 13 Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. 14 Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, 15 and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. 16 In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; 17 and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God, 18 praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end, keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints, 19 and also for me, that words may be given to me in opening my mouth boldly to proclaim the mystery of the gospel, 20 for which I am an ambassador in chains, that I may declare it boldly, as I ought to speak.”

Colossians 1:15-17 – “He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. 16 For by[f] him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether **thrones** or **dominions** or **rulers** or **authorities**—all things were created through him and for him. 17 And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

Colossians 2:9-10, 15 – “For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, 10 and you have been filled in him, who is the head of all **rule** and **authority**... He disarmed the **rulers** and **authorities**[b] and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him.”

1 Peter 3:21-22 – “Baptism, which corresponds to this, now saves you, not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, 22 who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with **angels**, **authorities**, and **powers** having been subjected to him.”

Organization of Angels

Angels, both holy and fallen, are described in Scripture as having organized ranks. When Scriptures concerning these ranks and classes of angels are categorized, we can form a general, but not absolute or specific, list of angelic organization:

1. Archangels – 1 Thessalonians 4:16; Jude 9
 - a. Michael is the only archangel named and may be the only archangel.
 - b. Michael is the top ranking angel.
 - c. Michael is Israel's guardian angel (Daniel 10:21; 12:1).
 - d. Michael leads the angelic army of God against Satan and his forces in Revelation 12:7.
2. Chief Princes – Daniel 10:13, 20, 21
 - a. There are leading angels that appear to have positions, or territorial rights, over nations.
 - b. Consider Deuteronomy 32:8 and its alternate reading in the NIV footnotes.
3. Seraphim – Isaiah 6:2-7
 - a. Only mentioned once
 - b. *Seraphim* means “burning ones”.
 - c. Described as being in God's presence and as worshipping God.
 - d. Brought cleansing to Isaiah in the presence of God
4. Cherubim – Genesis 3:24; Numbers 7:89; Psalms 80:1; 99:1; Ezekiel 1; 10:20
 - a. They are called “living creatures” and described in Ezekiel 1:4-28 and Revelation 4:6-9 – but are identified as Cherubim in Ezekiel 10:1-20.
 - b. Cherubim seem to be the guardians of the throne of God.
 - c. Satan was (or is) a Cherub, according to Ezekiel 28:14, 16.
 - d. Cherubim are in the Tabernacle:
 - i. Cherubim are depicted on the ark of the covenant – Exodus 25:18-22.
 - ii. Images of Cherubim are sewn into the linen curtains – Exodus 26:1, 31.
 - e. Cherubim were in the Temple:
 - i. Two large (fifteen feet tall) olivewood Cherubim, overlaid with gold, spread their wings over the ark of the covenant – 1 Kings 8:6-7.
 - ii. Images of Cherubim were carved into the walls and doors of the temple – 1 Kings 6:29-35.

5. Governing or Ruling Angels
 - a. Rulers – Romans 8:38; Ephesians 1:21; 3:10; 6:12; Colossians 1:16; 2:10, 15
 - b. Authorities – Ephesians 1:21; 2:2; 3:10; 6:12; Colossians 1:16; 2:10, 15; 1 Peter 3:22
 - c. Powers – 2 Peter 2:11; Ephesians 1:21
 - d. Dominions or Thrones – Ephesians 1:21; Colossians 1:16; 2 Peter 2:10; Jude 8
6. Gabriel – Daniel 8:16; 9:21; Luke 1:19; 1:26
 - a. Along with Michael and Satan, Apollyon is the only other angel specifically named in the Bible.
 - b. Gabriel is a high-ranking angel but he is not identified as an archangel.
 - c. He stands at the right hand of God and delivers messages.
7. General Angels have a variety of responsibilities and assigned tasks that fall into these categories:
 - a. Minister Before God – praise, worship, council – Revelation 5:8-13; Job 1:6; 2:1
 - b. Messengers – Revelation 19:9-10
 - c. Guardians – Psalm 91:11; Matthew 18:10
 - d. Bring Answers to Prayer from God – Luke 1:13; Revelation 8:3-5
 - e. Servants – Psalms 103:20; Revelation 9:14; 22:9
 - f. Control history for God – Zechariah 1:7-11; 6:1-8
 - g. Terminators – Ezekiel 9:1-11

Demons

Demons – seek bodies Luke 8:26 and Mark 1:24

2 Peter 2:4 - Tartarus – is the abyss or one of the “bottomless” pits in the Abyss. The word is used in Greek mythology where heroes and gods were thrown. For example, the Titans were punished here. Hellenistic Judaism took the word and used in the book of Enoch as the place for fallen angels (1 Enoch 20:2). The angel Uriel rules Tartarus. It took 9 days for a rock to fall into it from the earth.

In Revelation 9:1-11 at the sounding of the fifth trumpet, the key to the Abyss was given to a fallen angel who opened it and released locust-like creatures, probably demons. They torment the earth for five months. The king over them is the angel of the Abyss whose name is Abaddon (Hebrew) or Apollyon (Greek). The name means “Destroyer.”

Jude 6, 7

Compare what Enoch says with Jude 6:

12:4 – The angels have abandoned the high heaven, the holy eternal place= **Jude**

6a

10:4 – Bind Azazel hand and foot and throw him into the darkness = **Jude 6b**

10:6 – that he may be sent into the fire on the great day of judgment = **Jude 6c**

verses 7 of Jude says:

“as Sodom and Gomorrah and the cities around them HAVING IN LIKE MANNER WITH THEM (toutoι or τουτοις) given themselves over to fornication and indulged in unnatural flesh.”

The word “THEM” (toutoι or τουτοις) is masculine and cannot refer to “them” “cities” because “cities” is feminine.

“THEM” refers back to “angels” in verse 6 making the sin of Sodom and Gomorrah sexual.

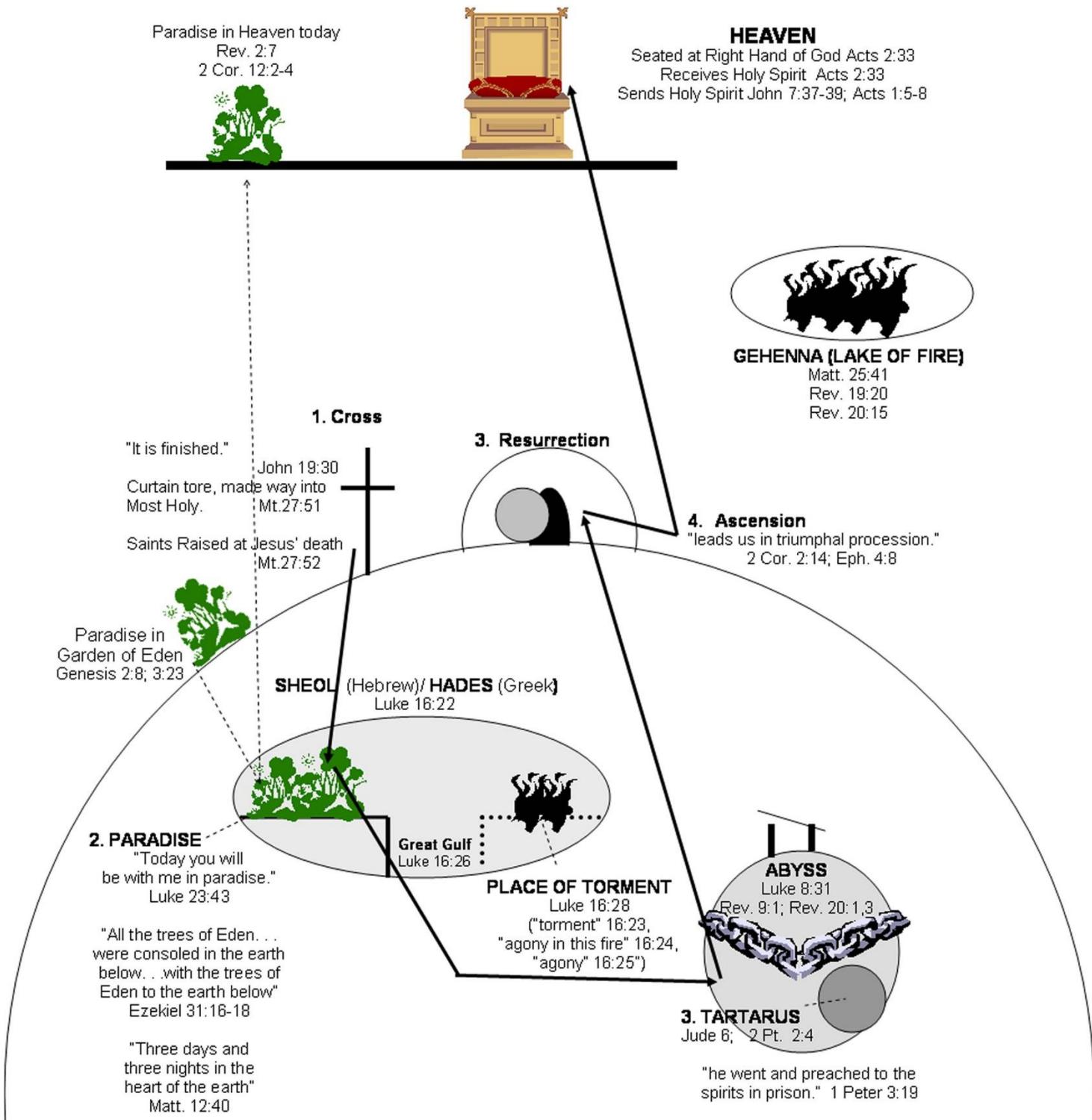
Jude is in agreement with the Jewish Rabbis who held to the common view that the beings in Genesis 6 were angels.

1 Peter 3:19 – spirits in prison

The Underworld

The diagram below is an attempt to clarify some of the abstract spiritual concepts involving angels, demons, and the underworld. This diagram shows:

1. The general locations and the distinctions of Heaven, Paradise, Sheol, Hades, Abyss, Tartarus, Gehenna, and Hell
2. The possible movement of paradise from the Garden of Eden on Earth to the underworld and then into Heaven – just like Hades itself will be thrown into the Lake of Fire (Revelation 20:14)
3. The assigned places of:
 - a. The demons that are in the Abyss and will be released back onto Earth. (Rev. 9:1-11)
 - b. The angels or spirits who are locked up in everlasting chains in Tartarus waiting for judgment. (these will not be released at the time described in Revelation 9:1-11)
4. An explanation of 1 Peter 3:19 (when Jesus went to prison and preached to spirits). This verse refers to the time during the three days and three nights in the grave (body) and Paradise (spiritual) before Jesus was resurrected that he went to Tartarus in the Abyss (prison) and proclaimed (Greek meaning of preached) victory (Col. 2:15; Rev. 1:18) over the rebellious angels (spirits) of Satan who had rebelled a second time (Jude 6) during the days of Noah.
5. Shows the sequence of events between Jesus’ death on the cross and his ascension to the right hand of God
6. The righteous dead from the Old Testament who waited in Paradise for Jesus’ death, burial and resurrection before entering into heaven. Today believers do not go to Hades or Sheol like David and Job in the Old Testament, but instead go immediately into the presence of the Lord. Paradise in Sheol or Hades was emptied at Jesus resurrection and ascension, and Paradise itself appears to have moved into the presence of God in Heaven.
7. A possible explanation of Abraham’s conversation with the rich man from Luke 16:26



Seed of the Woman verse the Seed of the Serpent

Genesis 3:15:

“I will put enmity between you and the woman and between your offspring and hers.”

Satan's continual attack on the seed of the woman:

1. Cain and Abel
2. Nephilim
3. Abraham
4. Hebrews in Egypt
5. David's line such as when Athaliah killed all the royal grandchildren but one, Joash, escaped to spare the line of David (2 Chron. 23:10-20)
6. Jews in Persia
7. Greece with Seleucids and Antiochus Epiphanies
8. Herod and Bethlehem boys
9. Anti-Semitism
10. Revelation 12 with the vision of the woman and the dragon

Luke 17:26, 27

“As it was in the days of Noah so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man.”

Rev. 12:1-9 and 13-17 – The woman and the dragon

Rev. 13:1-10 – The beast from the Sea

Rev. 13:11-18 – The beast from the Land

Rev. 19:11-16 – Jesus Returns

Rev. 19:19-21 – The Beasts are thrown alive into Gehenna or the Lake of Fire

Heb. 9:27 – Man is destined to die once and face the judgment

2 Cor. 5:10 – Believers will ALL stand before the judgment seat of Christ

Rev. 20:12, 13, 15 – Each person (unbeliever) was judged

Rev. 20:1-3 – Satan in the Abyss

Rev. 20:7-10 – Satan released and the thrown into Gehenna or the Lake of Fire

Rev. 20:11-15 – The Great White Throne Judgment

The Great Delusion of the End Times

2 Thessalonians 2:3,

“Don't let anyone deceive you in any way for that day will not come until the rebellion occurs and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the man doomed to destruction. He will oppose and will exalt himself over everything that is called God or is worshiped, so that he sets himself up in God's temple, proclaiming himself to be God.”

2:9,

“The coming of the lawless one will be in accordance with the work of Satan displayed in all kinds of counterfeit miracles, signs and wonders, . . For this reason God sends them a powerful delusion so that they will believe the lie and so that all will be condemned who have not believed the truth but have delighted in wickedness.”

Revelation 13 records worship of the beast, a fatal wound that is healed, miraculous signs including fire coming down out of heaven, an “image” that was given life and could speak and the killing of anyone who opposed this “god”.

First Enoch Chapter 6 and 7

This is the text of the First Book of Enoch chapters 6 and 7:

Chapter 6

1 And it came to pass when the children of men had multiplied that in those days were born unto 2 them beautiful and comely daughters. And the angels, the children of the heaven, saw and lusted after them, and said to one another: 'Come, let us choose us wives from among the children of men 3 and beget us children.' And Semjaza, who was their leader, said unto them: 'I fear ye will not 4 indeed agree to do this deed, and I alone shall have to pay the penalty of a great sin.' And they all answered him and said: 'Let us all swear an oath, and all bind ourselves by mutual imprecations 5 not to abandon this plan but to do this thing.' Then sware they all together and bound themselves 6 by mutual imprecations upon it. And they were in all two hundred; who descended in the days of Jared on the summit of Mount Hermon, and they called it Mount Hermon, because they had sworn 7 and bound themselves by mutual imprecations upon it. And these are the names of their leaders: Samlazaz, their leader, Araklba, Rameel, Kokablel, Tamlel, Ramlel, Danel, Ezeqeel, Baraqijal, 8 Asael, Armaros, Batarel, Ananel, Zaq1el, Samsapeel, Satarel, Turel, Jomjael, Sariel. These are their chiefs of tens.

Chapter 7

1 And all the others together with them took unto themselves wives, and each chose for himself one, and they began to go in unto them and to defile themselves with them, and they taught them charms 2 and enchantments, and the cutting of roots, and made them acquainted with plants. And they 3 became pregnant, and they bare great giants, whose height was three thousand ells: Who consumed 4 all the acquisitions of men. And when men could no longer sustain them, the giants turned against 5 them and devoured mankind. And they began to sin against birds, and beasts, and reptiles, and 6 fish, and to devour one another's flesh, and drink the blood. Then the earth laid accusation against the lawless ones.

Chapter 15:8-12

8 And now, the giants, who are produced from the spirits and flesh, shall be called evil spirits upon 9 the earth, and on the earth shall be their dwelling. Evil spirits have proceeded from their bodies; because they are born from men and from the holy Watchers is their beginning and primal origin; 10 they shall be evil spirits on earth, and evil spirits shall they be called. [As for the spirits of heaven, in heaven shall be their dwelling, but as for the spirits of the earth which were born upon the earth, on the earth shall be their dwelling.]

11 And the spirits of the giants afflict, oppress, destroy, attack, do battle, and work destruction on the earth, and cause trouble: they take no food, but nevertheless 12 hunger and thirst, and cause offences. And these spirits shall rise up against the children of men and against the women, because they have proceeded from them.

Josephus

In his book *Antiquities of the Jews*, written 70-90 AD, Josephus writes the following:

Chapter 2:3 – This is about the tribe of Judah with the help of the tribe of Simeon destroying the Canaanites in the land of Judah

"For which reason they removed their camp to Hebron; and when they had taken it, they slew all the inhabitants. There were till then left the race of giants, who had bodies so large, and countenances so entirely different from other men, that they were surprising to the sight, and terrible to the

hearing. The bones of these men are still shown to this very day, unlike to and credible relations of other men."

Chapter 12:2 – This portion records one of David's mighty men, Sibbechai the Hittite, killing those who claimed to descend from the Nephilim

"When they were gathered together at the city Gaza, he sent an army against them, when Sibbechai the Hittite, one of David's most courageous men, behaved himself so as to deserve great commendation, for he slew many of those that bragged, they were of the posterity of the giants, and vaunted themselves highly on that account."

The Early Church Fathers 160-245 AD

These are some comments written by the early church leaders that we still have. They wrote these views from around 160-245 AD.

Justin Martyr (160 AD)

"The angels transgressed this appointment and were captivated by love of women,. And they begat children, who are those who are called demons."

Athenagoras (175 AD)

"These angels, then, who have fallen from heaven, and haunt the air and the earth, and are no longer able to rise to heavenly things, and the souls of the giants, who are the demons who wander about the world, perform similar actions."

Irenaeus (180 AD)

"In the days of Noah, He justly brought on the Deluge for the purpose of extinguishing that most infamous race of men then existent, who could not bring forth fruit to God. For the angels who sinned had commingled with them."

Clement of Alexandria (195 AD)

"The angels who had obtained the superior rank, having sunk into pleasures, told the women the secrets that had come to their knowledge. In contrast, the rest of the angels concealed them, or rather, reserved them for the coming of the Lord."

Tertullian (197 AD)

"By our sacred books, we are instructed how from certain angels, who fell of their own free will, there sprang an even more wicked demon brood."

Commodianus (240 AD)

"And from their seed, giants are said to have been born. By them, arts were made known in the earth. . . When they died, men erected images to them."

Julius Africanus (245)

"When men multiplied on the earth, the angels of heaven came together with the daughters of men. In some copies, I found "the sons of God." What the Spirit means, in my opinion, is that the descendants of Seth are called the sons of God, because of the righteous men and patriarchs who have sprung from him (even down to the Savior himself). However, the descendants of Cain are named the seed of men, as having nothing divine in them, because of the wickedness of their race. . . . However, if it is thought that these refer to angels, we must take them to be those who deal with magic and sorcery, who taught the women the motions of the stars and the knowledge of things

celestial. By the power of those angels, they conceived the giants as their children, by whom wickedness reached its peak on the earth. Finally, God decreed that the whole race of the living should perish in their impiety by the deluge."

Origin (248)

"Among angels, some are angels of God, and others are angels of the devil. But among demons, there is no such distinction. For they are all said to be wicked."

Satan

In the Old Testament, Satan is mentioned in Genesis, First Chronicles, Job, Psalms, Isaiah, Ezekiel and Zechariah. Jesus spoke of Satan on several occasions, and each of the New Testament authors writes of Satan. Satan is an angel with all the characteristics and abilities of an angel. Satan is not equal to God, but is instead a creation of God (Ezekiel 28:15) who has rebelled against God, and is still limited by the will of God (Job 2:6). Satan was created and classified as a cherub and was the highest ranking angel (Ezekiel 28:12, 14). We learn in Jude 9 that Michael could not pull rank on Satan since, as an archangel, he has less positional authority and could only rebuke Satan based on the Lord's desire. With his authority in the angelic realm – and after the fall of Adam – Satan is called the god of this world (2 Corinthians 4:4) and the prince of the power of the air (Ephesians 2:2). Satan showed Jesus that he had power over all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor, and had the authority to give that power to whoever he wished (Matthew 4:8-9; Luke 4:5-7).

Satan is called by several names and titles and is identified by several characteristics in Scripture:

1. Satan is a Hebrew word that means "adversary" or "opposer".
2. Devil is the Greek word diabolos and means "slanderer".
3. Serpent or ancient serpent describes his form in Genesis 3:1; 2 Corinthians 11:3; Rev. 12:9.
4. Red Dragon – Revelation 12:3, 7, 9
5. Tempter – Matthew 4:3; 1 Thessalonians 3:5; Acts 5:3; 1 Corinthians 7:5
6. Accuser – Revelation 12:10
7. Evil one – John 17:15; 1 John 5:18-19
8. Ruler of this world – John 12:31
9. God of this world – 2 Corinthians 4:4
10. Beelzebub – Luke 11:15 (The name Beelzebub comes from two Hebrew words: Baal meaning "Lord" and Zebub meaning "fly". Beelzebub means "Lord of flying things" or "Lord of the Flies". It is used in 2 Kings 1:2, 3, 6, 16. The connection of the god Baal of the Old Testament is made to Satan through this word in Matthew 12:24, 27; 10:25; Luke 11:15, 18-19.)
11. Belial – 2 Corinthians 6:15 (The name Belial comes from two Hebrew words "without" and "profit" and means "worthlessness". The name Belial began to refer to the person who had thrown off the restraints of heaven, become wicked and morally corrupt.)
12. Prince of the power of the air – Ephesians 2:2

13. The spirit that is now working in those who are disobedient – Ephesians 2:2
14. He leads the whole world astray – Revelation 12:9
15. He deceives the nations – Revelation 20:3
16. The “heavenly places” (or, air) are his control center and current place of occupation – Ephesians 6:12.
17. He controls the cosmos – Kosmos is the world or age we live in, and includes everything in our earthly existence (thoughts, desires, power, methods) and everything that we come into contact with which the system of this world has affected. Satan controls this system.)
