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SATAN THE USURPER

We promised in our last article (Why Is All This Necessary?) that we would begin to share, from the Bible, why it is necessary for Satan to bankrupt the United States.

Satan is a usurper. At present he is attempting to rule this earthly kingdom even though God never gave him that authority. Satan was present in the Garden of Eden when God said that He would send the Messiah who would claim the kingdom again and would eject Satan, the present “Prince of this World”.

Satan was also listening when God told Abraham “*14 ...Look about you, and from where you are, gaze to the north and south, east and west; 15 all the land that you see I will give to you and your descendants forever. 16 I will make your descendants like the dust of the earth; if anyone could count the dust of the earth, your descendants too might be counted. 17 Set forth and walk about in the land, through its length and breadth, for to you I will give it.*” *Genesis 13:14-17 The New American Bible*

The Bible refers to those descendants of Abraham as the Jews or the nation of Israel. We find that Satan heard God tell Abraham that the promised Messiah would come into this world as a member of that Jewish nation. “... *And in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.*” *Genesis 12:3 New King James*

Satan did not know the time the Messiah would be born but he did know the promise was that the Messiah would be born a Jew. Therefore, Satan set out to destroy the Hebrew Theocracy so there would be no Jewish man who could father the Messiah. That, of course, would then make God a liar since the promise God made to Abraham could not be fulfilled. As we study the Old Testament we find that Satan continually tried to destroy the Jews by using various nations. He was not, of course, successful. In each case God protected the Jewish nation from complete extinction.

We will continue our explanation in the next article.