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## Introduction

When you set out to destroy a person because that person is being loved by someone who once loved you; did you know that this thought process is ancient? You are imitating what Satan/ The Devil has been doing to the 'Children of God' for thousands of years.

God loved his angel Lucifer until Lucifer imagined himself to be 'God' and purposed in his heart to become God. "I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will make myself like the Most High." *Isa 14:12-17* Thereafter, a war arose in heaven and Satan/ Lucifer, was defeated and, with his angels, thrown down to earth by God. The Glory of God, and the presence of God, Lucifer and his angels once shared, they now no longer share. Lucifer changed from a Lucifer to a Satan, from Brightness to Darkness, from Peace to Fear, from Love to Hate, and from Heaven to Hell ...the Pit and eventually into the ...Lake of Fire; which God has prepared for him and his followers.

Since Satan's defeat of Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden, this world order has functioned to achieve his purpose. Satan is the Father of Lies, yet there is fundamentally only one lie; which is, we who were made first, in the *image* of God can *be* God.

*v. 7* "But Satan, the hater of all good, thought within himself; whereas God has promised salvation to Adam by covenant, and that He would deliver him out of all the hardships that have befallen him - but has not promised me by covenant, and will not deliver me out of my hardships; nay since He has promised him that He should make him and his seed dwell in the kingdom in which I once was - I will kill him. *v. 8* The earth shall be rid of him; and shall be left to me alone; so that when he is dead he may not have any seed left to inherit the kingdom that shall remain my own realm; God will then be in want of me, and He will restore me to with my hosts." *Forgotten Books of Eden, First Book of Adam and Eve, 47:7-8, page 31*

Satan is busy. Not too long ago we read in the news that a Chicago woman was stabbed to death, by a former girlfriend of her current boyfriend, while at a gas station, cleaning her car from vandalism damage inflicted upon it earlier. The police report the victim had filed her grievance earlier that day, but it had not been completed when the call came in that she had been killed. We remember a second Chicago woman, getting into her car, on her way to work, when she was attacked, in the alley behind her home, killed, by an ex- girlfriend of an acquaintance, her body was weighted down and dumped into the canal for the same reason. While straying after Satan, did these two women honestly believe that their actions would work in restoring them to their former relationships? Does Satan really believe that his plan will work to restore him and his hosts to their former estate in the Kingdom of God? God is a family man.

He clearly has an enemy who will not repent and change from his wicked ways. An enemy, who has attacked and destroyed many of God's children. What can we learn from God about heading up a family, and particularly being in His family?

## Instructions

The instructions for this workbook are the same as for any other Discovery Workbook published by Griffin Publishing Co. Inc. The intent and purpose is to encourage the participant reader to ask themselves the questions as presented and to thoughtfully respond. By asking and responding to the questions the participant is guided through the exercise especially designed to help him/ her examine themselves and their relationship with God the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Is the relationship where he/she wants it to be? If not, why not? What can be done to make it better?

The answers are to be written in the spaces provided and in so doing will document the participants responses. The written responses can then be kept, examined, evaluated and reevaluated at a later time by the participant. They can then look for signs of spiritual growth, new understanding of the texts selected and whether or not they have deepened his/her relationship with God the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. In essence the participant has taken responsibility for their spiritual growth, training and development.

This workbook is designed to be used by a group, in the home or elsewhere. Scripture references are from the RSV however no one version of the Bible is more valuable than another. Using different versions can add clarity to the passage during the group's discussion. God shows 'no partiality' and in that regard there should be 'no partiality' shown to any group member comments. After all 'Iron sharpeneth iron: so a man sharpeneth the countenance of his friend.' Prov 27:17 The goal is for *everyone* to grow in Christ.

The questions are as follows:

- (1) What did you like best about the passage?
- (2) What did you like least about the passage?
- (3) What did you not understand about the passage?
- (4) What did you learn about god from this passage?
- (5) What do you need to do about it?
- (6) What would you like to think about over the next week?

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# God: A Family Man

## God has a Plan Day One

### ***“In the beginning GOD”***

Gen 1:1 ***“In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. v.2 The earth was without form and void, and darkness was upon the face of the deep: and the Spirit of God was moving over the face of the waters.”***

*I have made the earth and created man upon it;*

*“ I have made the earth and created man upon it; I , even MY hands have stretched out the HEAVENS, and ass their HOST have I COMMANDED. Isa 45: 12*

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### **“And God said, ‘Let there be light.’”**

v.3 ***“And God said, ‘Let there be light.’ and there was light. v.4 And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. v. 5 God called the light Day and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and morning, one day.”***

*“, I form the LIGHT”*

I AM the LORD, and there in none else, there is no GOD besides; I girded thee, though thou hast not KNOWN ME; that they may KNOW from the rising of the sun, and from the west, that there is none else besides ME; I AM the LORD, and there is none else, *I form the LIGHT*, and I CREAT DARKNESS, and I make PEACE, and I CREATE EVIL. I THE LORD, do all these things. Isa 54: 6-7

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God provides waters for His Family  
*Day Two*

**“Let there be a firmament”**

v. 6 **“And God said, ‘*Let there be a firmament*’ in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.”** v. 7 **And God made the firmament and separated the waters which were under the firmament from the waters which were above the firmament. And it was so.** v. 8 **And there was morning, a second day.”**

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God establishes a homeland for His Own  
*Day Three*

v. 9 **“And God said, ‘Let the waters under the heavens be gathered**

**together into one place, and let the dry land appear. And it was so. v. 10 God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good.**

He gathers the waters under the 'expanse' into one place and dry land appears.

He calls/ names the dry land 'Earth'; *adamah or ground, soil.*

The gathered waters He calls/ names 'Seas'; *yam or Sea, lake, pool.*

He stops to look at His work and declares that is was good.

**v. 11 “ And God said, ‘Let the earth put forth vegetation, plants, yielding seed, and fruit trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each according to its kind, upon the earth.’ And it was so. v. 12 The earth brought forth vegetation, plants yielding seed according to their own kinds, and trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. v. 13 And there was evening and there was morning, a third day.”**

He commands the Earth to 'put forth vegetation'; plants yielding seed; fruit trees yielding seed. Seeds that will enable the vegetation to reproduce itself according to its own kind. /species.

He stops to look at His work and declares that 'it was good.'

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God provides 'signs' of His nearness for His own  
*Day Four*

**v. 14 “And God said, ‘Let there be lights in the firmament of the heavens to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, v. 15 and let them be lights in the firmament of the**



**heavens to give light upon the earth.’ And it was so. v. 16 And God made two great lights, the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night; he made the stars also. v. 17 And God set them in the firmament of the heavens to give light upon the earth, v. 18 to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. v. 19 And there was evening and there was morning, a fourth day.”**

He commands a lights to appear in the ‘expanse’ to separate the ‘Day’ from the ’Night’

He separates time into days,, seasons and years:

He fixes the lights in the firmament to ‘give light upon the earth.’ Of the two lights, the ‘greater light’ will rule the day and the ‘lesser light’ the night.

He made stars.

He set them in the firmament, where He wanted them to be, to give light to the earth.

He stopped and looked and declared that ‘it was good.’

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**God provides variety and abundance for His own.**  
*Day Five*

**v. 20 “And God said, ‘Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the firmament of the heavens.’ v. 21 So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, with which the waters swarm, according to their kinds and every winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that it was good.**

He commanded the waters to 'bring forth swarms of living creatures'.

These are living souls, and as such have the 'breath of life' within.

He commanded that 'birds fly above the earth'.

He created 'great sea monsters.'

He created every living creature 'according to its kind.'

He stopped, looked and declared that 'it was good.'

v. 22 **“and God blessed them saying, ‘Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.’** v. 23 **And there was evening and there was morning, a fifth day.”**

He commands all creatures to 'be fruitful and to multiply.'

Their seed is within them.

He talks to His creation and they listen.

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## God provides life/ purpose for His own.

### *Day Six*

v. 24 **“And God said, ‘Let the earth bring forth living creatures according to their kinds: cattle and creeping things and beasts of the earth according to their kinds.’** And it was so. v. 25 **And God made the beasts of the earth according to their kinds and the cattle according to their kinds, and everything that creeps upon the ground according to its kind. And God saw that it was good.”**

He commands the earth to bring forth living creatures, according to their kinds. (These are living souls and as such have the 'breath of life' within them.)

He stopped, looked and declared that 'it was good.'

(All good).

v. 26 **"Then God said, 'Let us make man in our image, after our likeness; and let him have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.' "**

Now that the earth has been perfectly prepared it's time to make man.

He declares in what 'image' man is to be made and for what purpose.

He gives man dominion over all the other creatures He has made.

v. 27 **"So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him: male and female he created them. v. 28 And God blessed them, and God said to them, 'Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.'"**

He creates man in His image but not as His equal.

He makes male and female.

He blesses them.

He commands them the 'be fruitful and to multiply' as He did His other creations.

He adds 'and fill the earth and subdue it.'

Gen 1: 29 **"And God said, 'Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed which is upon the face of all the earth; and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food, v. 30 And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.' And it was so, v. 31 And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was morning, a sixth day."**

He instructs the man.

He tells the man what He has given to him.

He tells man what is good 'for food' for him and what is food for everything else.

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**knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day you eat of it you shall die.”**

He puts the man in a garden.

He commands the man that he may eat freely of every tree in the garden but one.

He tells the man the consequences of eating of the tree, that, ‘you shall die.’ (*muth or be separated from God..*)

**Gen 2:19 “So out of the ground the Lord God formed every beast of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. v. 20 The man gave names to all cattle, ant to the birds of the air, and to every beast of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper.”**

He brought all creatures to the man “to see what he would call them,”

He approved the names for in their names (*renown*) would be their nature.

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## God tests the man again

Will he believe and obey Me?

**Gen 2:4 “But the serpent said to the woman, ‘You will not die.’ v. 5 For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened and you will be like god, knowing good and evil.’ v. 6 So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she gave some to her husband., and he ate. v. 7 Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves aprons.”**

The serpent says to the woman that God has lied. (Compare Gen 3:4 with Gen 2:17)

The man and woman bow to the serpent.

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## God disciplines His own

Gen 3:14 **“The Lord God said to the serpent, ‘Because you have done this, cursed are you above all cattle, and above all wild animals; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. v.15 I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her seed; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel.”**

Gen 3:16 **“To the woman he said, ‘I will greatly, multiply your pain in childbearing; in pain you shall bring forth children, yet your desire shall be for your husband, and he shall rule over you.”**

Gen 3:17 **“And to Adam he said, ‘Because you have listened to the voice of your wife, and have eaten of the tree of which I commanded you, ‘You shall not eat of it,’ cursed is the ground because of you; in toil you shall eat of it all the days of your life; v. 18 thorns and thistles is shall bring forth to you; and you shall eat the plants of the field. v. 19 In the sweat of your face you shall eat bread till you return to the ground, for out of it you were taken; you are dust, and to dust you shall return.”**

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God provides a covering for His own.

Gen 3:21 **“And the Lord God made for Adam and for his wife garments of skins, and clothed them.”**

He, knowing good and evil, makes an appropriate provision of His own.

He does not tell them the dire consequences of their decision.

He does not tell them of the evil awaiting them in the wilderness.

He does not make sport of them.

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### God preserves His own.

**Gen 3:22 “Then the Lord God said, ‘Behold, the man has become like one of us, knowing good and evil; and now lest he put forth his hand and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live forever - v. 23 therefore the Lord God sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to till the ground from which he was taken. v. 24 He drove out the man; and at the east of the garden of Eden he placed the cherubim, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to guard the way to the tree of life.”**

He moves quickly to control the self-inflicted damage created by His own.

He acts in accordance with the severity of the disobedience.

He insures that the man will have a second chance.

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### God expects of Me

**1 Tim 5:8 “If anyone does not provide for his own family, he has disowned the faith and is worse than an unbeliever.”**

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