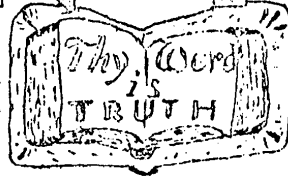


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HOW

DEMONS

are plunging the world
into

WAR!

MYSTERIOUS, invisible, powerful forces are now at work producing profound changes in individual lives, in business, in religion, in governments.

Millions are victims, in various ways, of these strange unseen powers.

In a manner very few realize, these supernatural powers of hell are plunging the world into WAR!

Those who rule nations and control vast armed forces are being guided under the spell of this unrecognized influence of the spirit world.

This is no superstition. It is not imaginary. It is only too REAL!

TWO INCIDENTS OF 1914

In a message broadcasted over the Oregon Net-Work last June 27th, later reproduced in a printed sermon, we told our listeners and readers of two amazing incidents, set forth in a book in the writer's possession, which are repeated here.

Incident one: In the late summer of 1914, an American missionary was attending a heathen dance in the interior of Tibet. Suddenly a witch-doctor, worked up into great excitement under the influence of the evil spirit in control, rushed over to this missionary. Again and again he thrust at the American with a long sharp knife, but without any intent of harm, exclaiming, "That is what your people are doing to each other now. Our big gods have all gone over to Europe."

Several weeks later, when the missionary reached the China coast, he heard the news of the outbreak of the war in Europe---and then he understood!

AMAZING EVENTS that occurred in the Fall of 1914---and now are again occurring---revealed!

What do spiritist mediums and fortune-tellers know? The mysteries of the spirit world revealed by the BIBLE! Here is the plain truth!

The other incident: In 1911 an English Brigadier-General met, at a dinner in Cairo, Egypt, an Indian initiate who said to him: "In the first week of August, 1914, a terrible struggle will break out in Europe." They met again in Cairo in December, 1919, and the Indian remarked, "What did I tell you, General?" The fact was well known in occult circles in India and Tibet in 1911."

But can there really be anything to spiritism, or is it all fake? The BIBLE is a revelation, from God, of things man does not know and could not otherwise find out. Let us see what it reveals.

WHAT THE BIBLE SAYS ABOUT IT

The Bible tells us a great deal about the devil, called Satan, and about demons. Perhaps in some future article we shall go into the subject of the devil, answering the questions, what is he? where did he come from, and how did he get his power? But space prevents covering that subject in this article, except superficially in connection with the subject of demons.

Nowhere does the Bible call man a spirit. The Bible teaches, contrary to

popular belief, that man is MORTAL, and that he is FLESH---composed of matter, not of spirit. Notice such texts as Gen. 2:7; 3:19; John 3:6, etc.

But God is a SPIRIT (John 4:4). And the Bible speaks repeatedly of angels, and it reveals to us that angels are spirits, (Psalm 104:4; Heb. 1:13-14).

Also the Word of God reveals to us a third of the angels of heaven followed Satan in his rebellion against God, and that they therefore have become fallen angels, or DEMONS---altho in the King James translation of the Bible, the word "devils" is commonly used.

WHAT IS THE ORIGIN OF DEMONS?

In the 12th chapter of Revelation is pictured a great red dragon (verse 3), which is explained to be a symbol for Satan the devil in verse 9 and Rev. 20:2.

The 4th verse shows a third of the angels of heaven followed Satan in his rebellion. (Stars are symbols of angels,--- see Rev. 1:20).

The 7th verse describes a war in heaven between Satan and the archangel Michael (comp. Jude 9). And in this war Satan had angels fighting on his side. Read on, in your Bible, thru verse 9. The angels who followed Satan were cast out with him.

Now notice the 6th verse of Jude: "The angels which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, he hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness unto the judgment of the great day."

Again it is written in II Peter 2:4: "For if God spared not the angels that sinned, but cast them down to hell (Greek, "tartarus,"---meaning "darkness of the material universe,") and delivered them into chains of darkness, to be reserved unto judgment."

And then again, Jesus spoke of the time when He shall say to the wicked, "Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels." (Mat. 25:41).

So the Scriptures plainly teach that angels are SPIRIT beings, that many of them sinned, and have followed Satan; and now are being reserved in the darkness of the material world unto the day of judgment.

WHAT POWER DO DEMONS POSSESS?

Now remember, demons are SPIRIT beings. Men are MATERIAL beings. Therefore demons, as well as angels, are INVISIBLE to material human eyes, unless specially manifested.

Yet these demons have power over people! Notice, for example an experience of the time of Christ:

"And when Jesus was come out of the ship, immediately there met him out of the tomb a man with an unclean spirit." (Mark 5:2). Men are not spirits, nor are people ever called "spirits" in the Bible.

This "unclean spirit" was not the man, nor any part of him. Read on:

Jesus said unto him, "Come out of the man, thou unclean spirit." (verse 8).

"And He asked him, What is thy name? And he answered, saying, My name is Legion, for we are many. . . And all the devils besought him, saying, send us into the swine, . . . and the unclean spirits went out, and entered into the swine." (v. 9-13).

The text shows there were TWO THOUSAND DEMONS inside of this one man. These demons had been angels, but had sinned. They were separate, individual spirit beings who had entered inside this man. There are beyond doubt millions and millions of demons. They are SPIRITS, and therefore not mortal---they do not die. And mark this--- all the demons that existed in Christ's time STILL EXIST TODAY!

Many heathens worship the devil and demons. They look upon them as gods! The demons, remember, have POWER, and they have KNOWLEDGE. They have existed thousands of years.

Yes, demons have POWER to influence people. But let us understand what that power is!

Listen carefully! The devil and all his demons have no power arbitrarily to force you or me, or any person, against his own will, to do their bidding! They do have power to put thoughts, suggestions, impressions, into the human mind. But God has made you and me free moral agents. God will not force any person to yield to HIM. Neither does the devil or any demon have power to FORCE any man to yield to the thoughts or suggestions they are able to place in the mind. But we must not believe every thought or suggestion or impulse is of God.

"Beloved, believe not every spirit, but TRY the spirits, whether they be of God." (I John 4:1). DO NOT ACT ON IMPULSE! Retain a sound mind. There is no need to fear demons, but our every thought and impulse should be TESTED by THE WORD OF GOD. If it is not according to the Bible, it is false!!

WAS MUSSOLINI REARED BY A WITCH?

But note, now, how DEMONS are plunging the world into WAR!

In Revelation 17 is a description of a "BEAST", which nearly all Bible students---including Roman Catholic---admit is a symbol of THE ROMAN EMPIRE. It shows that in these very last years that Empire is to be REBORN! And it is a fact now known by all that Mussolini is accomplishing that very thing today! The "beast", then, stands for this Roman government, or for MUSSOLINI, individually, as its head.

His title, "Il Duce," is derived from the Latin word "duco," meaning "DEMON." Mussolini was, it is said, tutored by an old witch when he was a young man.

He himself wrote the preface for a book relating his life's history, written by a woman named Sarfitti. In chapter 9, this book says: There "was a mysterious

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EDITORIAL

Do you realize what kind of times we are now living in? NEVER were there such times!

Never were prophecies being so rapidly fulfilled! The Roman Empire emerging from its "bottomless pit." The crash of Gentile governments! World-wide unemployment and labor strife! World-wide drought fulfilling Joel 1. War, and the certainty of WORLD WAR! Civilization totters on the brink!

Never was there a time when Christians so needed to keep in an intimate contact with God! Never a time when we stood in such need of FAITH to stand up thru the terrible tests we now know lie ahead!

And yet NEVER a time of such universal lukewarmness and spiritual lethargy! NEVER a time of so little FAITH! Never a time when it seemed so hard to PRAY! WHY?

This is the time described in Rev. 12:12: "Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and the sea! for the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time."

There is a DEVIL loose! And he has a myriad demons serving him! Invisible spirit beings, having great power! Even the very air seems permeated with a spirit of spiritual slumber and drowsiness! Brother turns against brother. Churches get into wrangling, strife, and division! With the mouth they profess the love of God, but with their actions they deny it!

The devil has many snares and delusions. He will influence people to reject the truth of God entirely, if he can. Failing in that, he endeavors to throw the children of God clear over to the opposite extreme, leading them either into fanaticism, or to accept a COMPROMISE for God's true genuine. The Bible is the sword of the Spirit, which is our only defense! And, failing to swing people clear PAST the truth, Satan then places in their minds impressions of condemnation, designed to cause discouragement and cause them to give up.

But "there is therefore now NO CONDEMNATION to them which are IN Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit." (Rom. 8:1). If you

perhaps stumbled along the way in your Christian walk, do not let it discourage you. Read Hebrews 4:14-16. Take it boldly to the throne of grace, and find complete forgiveness. If you have wronged any person, make it right as far as possible. What you cannot right, God will. Repent and get it under grace---do not feel condemned.

Study Ephesians 6:10-18. Be STRONG, in the Lord. We are wrestling against wicked spirits in high places. We need the WHOLE armor of God in order to stand. STUDY your Bible more. RESIST the devil. Resist all evil thoughts---put them out of your mind, by occupying your mind with POSITIVE and with SPIRITUAL things. Set your affections and thoughts on the things above.

And, most important of all, even if at first it requires POWER OF WILL, force your self to PRAY as you never did before.

There is no need to fear the Devil, IF we put on this whole armor of God. But, otherwise, you are certain to lose out completely in these trying times.

Now DEMONS are plunging the world into W A R !!

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old woman known as 'la vecchia Giovanna' Benito was in constant attendance of old Giovanna. She passed for a witch throughout the whole district. she taught Benito of her magic lore. Even today Mussolini has strange things to say and he is adept in interpreting dreams and omens and in telling fortunes by cards. . . . He will add . . . 'some instinct warns me, and I am obliged to follow it.'

It is said Mussolini never makes an important decision without first consulting spiritist mediums. And the Bible shows that this spiritism is of the devil---demonism!

And now notice the only text in all the Bible mentioning the word "ARMAGEDDON!" "And I saw three unclean spirits (demons) like frogs come out of the mouth of the dragon (the devil, see Rev. 12:9), and out of the mouth of the beast, (Ruler from ROME---Mussolini!), and out of the mouth of the false prophet (great religious ruler closely associated with the "beast."), for they are the spirits of devils, working miracles, which go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of the great day of God Almighty. . . . And they (Am. Rev. version,) gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue, ARMAGEDDON!" (Rev. 16:13-16).

Here in plain language, the Bible tells us that at this time the DEMONS---spirits of DEVILS---are going forth to INFLUENCE the minds of world rulers, stirring up world war!

Stop and think! WHY should Hitler, Mussolini, Stalin, the rulers of Japan, wish to plunge the world into war? WHY? You cannot answer. They do not know. They are VICTIMS to impulses and suggestions. God help us to pray! We need His protection