

## Satan Will Die

### Commentary for September 15, 2021 — Yes, the Spirit Called Satan Will Die

This is a topic spirits do not want you to know. In my article, "[Spirits Can Die](#)" I show that every intelligent creature that sins will die, whether spirits or flesh. I mention briefly in the article that this truth of Scripture also applies to Satan. However, there is more to the story of Satan's death than most people realize. It has been in front of our eyes every time we read Genesis chapter 3, but the obvious truth has been obscured because of assumptions we all hold about Satan and spirit beings.

### Satan and Adam Compared

As we often must do, go back to Genesis chapter 3. And as I usually do, I change the "King James-isms" to current English which is easier to understand:

"[1] **And YHWH God said unto the serpent,**

**'Because you have done this,**

**[A] you are cursed above all cattle, and above every beast of the field; upon your belly shall you go, and dust shall you eat all the days of your life: And**

**[B] I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her seed; it shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel.'**

[2] **Unto the woman he said,**

**'I will greatly multiply your sorrow and your conception; in sorrow you shall bring forth children; and your desire shall be to your husband, and he shall rule over you.'**

[3] **And unto Adam he said,**

**'Because you have hearkened unto the voice of your wife, and have eaten of the tree, of which I commanded you, saying, "You shall not eat of it": [therefore] cursed is the ground for your sake; in sorrow shall you eat of it all the days of your life.'**"

• **Genesis 3:14–17**

Note the identical phrases God applied to Satan and to Adam: "**all the days of your life**" in verse 14 referring to the serpent, and at the end of verse 17 addressed to Adam (and his descendants). Note God's judgments, one for Satan and one for Adam, to whom God uses identical phrasing when He imposes a similar punishment regarding their life and death:

For Satan:	<b>dust shall you eat</b>	<b>all the days of your life</b>
For Adam:	<b>in sorrow shall you eat of it</b>	<b>all the days of your life</b>

There is no life "eternal" in this punishment for either Satan, Adam (or Eve) or Adam's descendants. Adam was told there would be a moment when his life would end, and he would die some 900 years from when God spoke those words to him. Adam did die. The time from

God sentencing Adam to his death was his "lifespan."

Satan received the same sentence of death; it was related to a "moment" in the future when he will die. Satan has lived from the time of his creation (before Adam) to the present. He will continue to live until he dies at an unknown time after he is imprisoned for 1,000 years, and then released to cause another rebellion against God on our old earth (Revelation 20:1–7). Then Satan will be cast into the lake of fire and tormented (verse 20:10, until after the Great White Throne judgment). He will not be "flesh," but some kind of existence and limitation that will cause him "torment." It is not said how Satan will die. It is also unclear how Satan will be reconciled to God, but it will happen (Colossians 1:20 and Philippians 2:10–11). It seems that will happen after all children of Adam become glorified as Children of God.

Remember, the Scriptures are not about Satan, and only relate to him when he acts against humans, all who are destined to be God's children. If Satan did not die, then he would be immortal. Immortality is God's prerogative to give. Created beings do not have inherent immortality within them. He alone can give it. I do not care what theologians or church bodies say, but I do care what the Scriptures say. Paul wrote to Timothy:

**"I give you charge in the sight of God, who quickens [makes alive] all things, and [I give you charge] before Christ Jesus, who before Pontius Pilate witnessed a good confession;**

**That you keep this commandment without spot, unrebukeable, until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ: Which in His times He shall show,**

- **Who is the blessed and only Potentate, the King of kings, and Lord of lords;**
- **Who only has immortality,**
- [Who is] **dwelling in the light which no man can approach unto;**
- **Whom no man has seen, nor can see:**
- **to Whom be honor and power everlasting [for the eons]. Amen."**

• **1 Timothy 6:13–16**

Christ is the only created being who has immortality inherent within Him, and He is now just like God our Father. He is what we shall become (1 John 3:2). He may have had immortality before He became flesh, but if so, He chose to empty Himself of that quality for your sake (Philippians 2:5–9). He also chose to empty Himself of all sovereignty and rule that He had. Dr. Martin wrote in "[Chapter 15, Can Sinning Angels Be Saved?](#)" about angels sinning:

**"There can be no doubt that everything that lives in the universe, including Satan the Devil himself, was made alive and is sustained with life because God the Father at the behest of Christ dispenses to them 'the spirit of life' (Job 33:4; Isaiah 38:16; 2 Corinthians 3:6; Romans 8:2; Revelation 11:11; [also 1 Corinthians 3:16, DWS]. Now if angels do not sin, they are given a promise from God that they will not die (Luke 20:36), but let them sin even once, then the wages of sin will always be death (Romans 6:23)."**

Satan will die. Then he will be made alive and reconcile with his God.