

## ***By Any Name, Satan Is Still Satan\****

Edsel Burleson, deceased, via *The World Evangelist* (no longer in publication)

There is much about Satan which remains a mystery, but this one thing we know, his existence is very real. The Bible sheds light on this "prince of darkness." His name means "adversary." He is sometimes called the Devil, or "slanderer." He is also called the "evil one," "enemy," "deceiver," and by several other names and descriptive titles. All of these indicate that he is a determined and wicked enemy of both God and man.

Satan, Devil, serpent, tempter, adversary, deceiver — Satan is still Satan, and his intents and purposes remain the same. His greatest success comes in areas where sin does not appear to be sin. In fact, it frequently appears to be right and desirable. Paul warned, "For such are false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into the apostles of Christ. And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light. Therefore, it is no great thing if his ministers also are transformed as ministers of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works." (2 Corinthians 11:13-15).

And old legend relates that a pious man met Satan one day coming out of the church building. What are you doing here?" asked the man. "I thought you never set foot inside the building." "Oh, yes," answered Satan, "where there is praying and preaching against me I must see to it that I do not lose too any souls." "How do you do that?" inquired the man, "Oh, I have my own methods which work very well. For instance I set the young ladies' eyes over their neighbors clothing and soon the spirit of worship is gone. I persuade the young men to look at the cute young ladies so that they do not hear anything of the word that is proclaimed. I arrange for housewives to be more interested in thinking of food and

and household chores than what is said in the pulpit. I turn men's thoughts to business and the latest political news. Most important of all, I interpret every word of the sermon so that it concerns only his neighbor. Then as soon as the worship is over, I change the conversation, and the preacher's words are soon erased. Yes, I'm pretty good at my job."

Someone penned the following lines which help us to see many of his successes. They called it:

### SATAN'S VICTORY SONG

First I got them not to pray in schools:  
Told them their laws were only for  
fools.  
Then I persuaded them to ignore the  
police;  
To claim brutality and get a release.  
I stirred up trouble between blacks and  
whites  
By confusing the policy of Civil Rights.  
I created rebels to cause trouble and  
strife,  
And to destroy their college campus life.  
With sit-ins, riots and such things  
Confusion is growing as if with wings -  
Until immorality is the order of the day.  
Soon over this nation I will have full  
sway.  
While the idle time they now have to  
spend,  
I'm able to tempt them and will surely  
win.  
With idleness, gambling, liquor and  
dope  
I'll soon have them hooked beyond all  
hope.  
Due to their prosperity and easy life  
They're no longer religious and crime is  
rife.  
Soon now I can say that I have won  
As over other peoples I have done.

\* This article was adapted to fit this space.

Don't despair because of evil; God will have the last word.

## *News & Notes*

**SCHEDULE OF SERVICES:** Until further notice: **Sunday Worship at 10:30 a.m. and Wednesday Bible Study at 7:00 p.m.** (auditorium class only). **Masks and social distancing required.**

**POTTERS CHILDREN'S HOME: TODAY is the last day** to give individual monetary donations for this good work. Give to one of the Elders and it will be matched by the church here.

**BIRTHDAY CARD SHOWER:** For **Michael Yost** (Peggy Williams' brother). **Michael will be 97 next Wednesday, July 8th;** his address is: c/o Penbleten Manor, Box 700, Franklin, WV 26807.

**50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION:** For **David & Becky McKitrick** on **next Saturday, July 11th, 12 Noon - 2:00 p.m.** at the Fellowship Building. All are invited. The McKitrick's actual anniversary date is May 27, 1970.

**SICK & SHUT-IN:** Melvin "Pete" Reed, Marlene Evans, Shirley Beagle, Emma Rine, Randy Beagle, Alex Harless, Russell Martin, Doris Dunham. **CITY HOSPITAL:** Mary Jane Bowers. **THE ORCHARDS REHAB, East Liverpool:** Tom Postlethwait (Room 4). **CROSSROADS:** Sarah Miller. **VALLEY OAKS CARE CENTER:** Fred Larrimore, (Room 210). **IN FLORIDA:** Ilene Rayl.

## **Foundation Of All Morality**

The sixth president of the United States, John Quincy Adams (1767-1848), wrote some remarkable letters to one of his sons while the boy was attending school in Massachusetts. Nine of the letters were published in 1848 in a book titled *Letters of John Quincy Adams to His Son on the Bible and its Teaching*. In Letter II, Adams says, "There are **three points of doctrine**, the belief of which, forms the foundation of all morality. The **first** is the existence of a God; the **second** is the immortality of the human soul; and the **third** is a future state of rewards and punishments." Adams continued, "Suppose it possible for a man to disbelieve either of these articles of faith, and that man will have no conscience, he will have no other law than that of the tiger or the shark; the laws of man may bind him in chains, or may put him to death, but they never can make him wise, virtuous or happy" (22-23).

- Unknown Author - via *Glad Tidings of Good Things (House to House)*



## **THE TOUCH OF GOLD**



Offering a prize for the best definition of money, a London paper awarded it to a young man who sent in the following: "An article which may be used as a universal passport to everywhere except heaven, and as a universal provider of everything except happiness."

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