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Revelation 12:10, "And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night."

In Revelation 12 we see where Satan is cast out of Heaven. The above verse is interesting in that it shows all the things that were now available to mankind because of Satan being cast out.

1. **Salvation**. Until we cast Satan out of our lives, there cannot be salvation. Salvation is available, but we have to serve either God or Satan. You cannot serve both. In addressing Peter, Jesus said in Matthew 4:10, "Then saith Jesus unto him, Get thee hence, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve." You are to only serve the LORD.

Most people of the world who are not serving the LORD would not for a moment think they are serving the devil. But they are. If you are not actively serving the LORD, you are doing the will of Satan. There can be no salvation until we cast Satan out of our lives. There is no salvation out of the LORD. Psalm 3:8, "Salvation [belongeth] unto

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the LORD." Salvation is the LORD's and no one else's. When we cast out Satan, we can then usher in salvation from the LORD.

2. **Strength**. Without the LORD we are weak. We will succumb to sin and the world. The LORD is the only One who can provide us with the strength to survive in this world of sin. Psalm 62:7, "In God [is] my salvation and my glory: the rock of my strength, [and] my refuge, [is] in God." The LORD was the rock of the psalmist's strength.

A rock is stable and one of the most enduring things we have about us. It's interesting that Christ is called a rock. I Corinthians 10:4, "And did all drink the same spiritual drink: for they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them: and that Rock was Christ." It's in Him we have our strength, and that strength can only be obtained when we cast Satan out of our lives. Cast out Satan and seek the strength of the LORD. I Chronicles 16:11, "Seek the LORD and his strength, seek his face continually."

- 3. The kingdom of our God. The kingdom came when Satan was cast out of Heaven. Though there is sin existing at the same time the kingdom exists, this shows that the kingdom of God, the church, is strengthened and thrives when Satan is cast out. We all who have obeyed the LORD are part of the kingdom of God. When we cast Satan out of our lives, we strengthen the kingdom and in turn bring it to others. The kingdom comes to others and to other places by those who obey the LORD.
- 4. **The power of His Christ**. By casting out Satan, the power of Christ comes. The power of Christ comes to the world as a whole and to us individually.

Satan could never defeat Christ. He did some hurt to Christ, but Christ has destroyed him and cast him out. This is shown early in the *continued on next page...*



—Continue to remember Alice Thrasher, Steve Seaton, Shirley Parson, Brad Terry, and Enola Zigler (aunt of Mike Burd).

—Tonight is our annual chili supper and hayride at the home of **Mitch & Sandy Duncan**. We will have our evening worship service outside there at 5:00 p.m.

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Bible. Genesis 3:15, "And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel."

Though Jesus had his heel bruised by Satan, Jesus in turn bruised the head of Satan. The power of Christ gave Satan a mortally defeating wound.

The power of Christ came to all when Satan was cast out. Many are still choosing to serve sin and not taking advantage of the power Christ offers. We obtain this power through the gospel. Romans 1:16, "For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek."

The Greek word for power in Romans 1:16 is "dunamis" from which we get the word "dynamite." The power of the gospel of Christ is explosive and can cause immediate change. Dynamite doesn't gradually remove rock and debris when it's detonated. It's instant and very noticeable.

When we accept the gospel and the power of Christ, there is an immediate and noticeable change in our lives. Just as dynamite drives out debris and anything within the force of the blast, the power of Christ and obeying the gospel will immediately drive out Satan from out lives.

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| Sunday, October 22, 2019 | | |
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| Classes | 22 | I Peter 2:18-25 |
| Preaching | 26 | Genesis 3:15; Revelation 22:3 |
| Contribution | \$827.00 | |
| Evening | 16 | Matthew 25:1-30 |
| Wednesday, October 16, 2019 | | |
| Classes | 8 | II Chronicles 35:1-7 |

Visitors— Oct 13 (AM) Ellie Smith (Northtown, KY)
Oct 13 (PM) Joanna Locke (Hardyville, KY)

Bible Quiz

Who spoke of Josiah in their lamentations?

Last Week's Answer— The book of the law (II Chronicles 34:15)

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So much was gained when Satan was cast out of Heaven. All of these things are ours to obtain and will ultimately lead to eternal salvation in Heaven. But this will only happen if we cast Satan out of our lives by accepting and properly obeying the LORD.

—Marty Edwards❖

—God's Plan of Salvation—

- 1. Hear the Gospel (Romans 10:14)
- 2. Believe on the Lord and His Word (Mark 16:16; John 8:24)
- 3. Repent of your sins (Luke 13:3,5; Acts 17:30)
- 4. Confess Christ (Matthew 10:32,33; Luke 12:8; Romans 10:9)
- 5. Be baptized (immersed in water) for the remission of sins (Acts 2:38; Mark 16:16; Galatians 3:27; I Peter 3:21)
- 6. Live a faithful, dedicated life (Revelation 2:10; II Peter 1:5-10)