"... affliction will not rise up the second time."

## Nahum 1:9

If God is so good, then why does the world seem so bad most of the time? Why do bad things happen to good people? Why does there have to be so much pain, suffering and sorrow in the world today? What is going on?

These are all legitimate questions. Some people think that there are no answers to questions like these. They are wrong. The Bible gives us good, powerful, and even logical answers to these questions. Suffering, pain and death are terrible indeed, but the Bible, and the Bible only, can give us a compelling context with which to understand these things.

1. According to Ezekiel 28:15–17, how was the angel Lucifer created?

This angel was created perfect. One aspect of that perfection was that God invested him with genuine freewill, that is, the ability to make his own choices. Remember, true love, in order to be love, must have the right to say no. God does not desire the service of robots or computers. He desires genuine companionship, fellowship and love. This necessitates true freewill.

2. Describe what was happening in the heart of this angel named Lucifer. Isaiah 14:12-14

3. In order to understand the present condition of our world, we must first consider its original condition, as it came fresh from God's hand. What was that original condition as described in Genesis chapters 1 and 2, the book of beginnings?

4. In Genesis 3:4, what was the lie that the serpent used that contradicted what God has said in Genesis 2:17?

God is trying to be loving and kind to everyone, however, there is another power at work in this world bringing disaster, tragedy, death, and sickness into the lives of God's children.

There are five assaults that Satan uses to deceive followers of God.

5. According to Revelation 12:9, what is the first way that Satan will attack us and how much of the world is deceived?

6. What are two ways that help us resist the assaults of the enemy?

## "I WILL" IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN "IQ"

7. What is the second way that the enemy will attack us?

8. In Matthew 4, satan had the audacity to ask Jesus, the Creator and the Redeemer, to worship him! The height of folly! What did Jesus say three times to fight off the enemy?

God alone is worthy of our worship! Also, God is not chargeable with the pain, suffering, sin, and death that we see all around us. Satan is. God allows it, yes, but He did not cause it. God is in the business of alleviating pain and suffering, not inflicting it. Jesus' own ministry clearly demonstrates this. He did not cause blindness, disease and paralysis; He took them away. God is the life giver; Satan is a life-destroyer.

> During this seminar I promise that you will learn truth. It is not hard to learn truth, but it can be difficult to unlearn error.

9. According to 2 Timothy 3:16, how much of Scripture is inspired?

The reason that many people today don't understand the book of Revelation is because 2/3 of it comes from the Old Testament. So when you abandon the Old Testament you abandon the book of Revelation.

10. According to Revelation 16:14, what is the third way that Satan will attack us?

The devil is real and he wants nothing more than to lead you away from Jesus and His truths.

11. According John 8:44, what is the fourth way that Satan will attack us?

The devil would have many people today to believe that truth is not important, or that as long as they just love God it doesn't matter what they do or believe.

12. Why is Bible truth so important, and when is the best time to follow it?

13. According to Revelation 12:10, what is the final way Satan will attack you?

14. What does Jesus promise you in Matthew 11:28?

## All that the Father gives Me will come to Me, and the one who comes to Me I will by no means cast out. John 6:37

15. In life, we will experience heartache, yet in John 6:37, Jesus gives us a promise. What is this promise and what does it mean to you?

According to this promise when you come to Jesus, He will never cast you away. In life, friends, family, and even marriage partners may turn their back on you. But not Jesus.

In this great cosmic battle, whose side do you want to be on?