

EVIL

Evil is a system of thinking that opposes divine truth both in belief and behavior

EVIL *kakos* (κακός) – opposed to goodness of character

EVIL *poneros* (πονηρός) – opposed to divine viewpoint

EVIL *phaulos* (φαῦλος) – opposed to divine good

EVIL – DECEPTION

1. What is Evil? It has a distinct technical and categorical meaning in God's Word. It is not simply a generic word referring to anything bad or sinful. It is a lot more than that.
2. The word refers specifically to the policy of Satan as the Ruler of this World and his modus operandi from the time of his fall, throughout the angelic revolution, and down to the point when he became the ruler of the world.
3. Satan is opposed to anything involving the Lord Jesus Christ. He is devoted to distorting or obscuring any truth related to Biblical truths.
4. Through evil, Satan brings about two major consequences on earth: *SIN AND HUMAN GOOD* (the motivation of *EVIL*), both of which are based on errors in *THINKING*.
5. Self-righteousness, combined with human good (sincerity), produces a saturation of evil in a nation.
6. We study this subject to learn that *MAN CANNOT SOLVE PROBLEMS BY HUMAN SOLUTIONS*. The only solution to a human problem is a *DIVINE SOLUTION*. *GOD AND HIS WORD PRESENTS THE ANSWER TO EVERY HUMAN NEED*.
7. A person consistently involved in satanic thinking is involved with evil.
8. Evil results in the destruction and malfunction of society, the removal of legitimate authority under divine established laws.
9. Satan's original sin was a distortion of Biblical concepts – so *EVIL* is a distortion of Biblical principles and divinely established laws.
10. Evil originated and existed before human history with the purpose to have a system to oppose God. He (Satan) desires to beat Christ to the Millennium, with an attempt to produce a perfect world. As the world follows that plan, the more degenerate it becomes.