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I saw Satan fall And he said unto them, I beheld Satan as lightning fall from heaven. (Luke 10:18).

We studied in other lessons that we are SITTING in heavenly places with Christ NOW! and has raised us up together and made us SIT together in the heavenlies in Christ Jesus, (Ephesians 2:6).

We also studied that this is a past tense sitting, in other words, we are already there. Of course we look at our mortal bodies and the suffering we are now enduring, and we say, "how can this be?" Remember that this is our legal position in Christ; it is real, but it is spiritual. This is where faith comes in. The Word says it, the Devil tries to steal it because we cannot see it with our eyes nor hear it with our ears, so we must WALK and STAND until SITTING becomes an experience in our lives.

Well in the same way, Satan is SITTING somewhere.

Remember Satan was a created being, created as an angel to be a servant of God and man. Instead he rebelled and he made man his servant. Adam, the first creation obeyed his own reasoning (Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil), instead of God (Tree of Life) and thus became, by default, a servant of Satan. This was the First Adam.

But there came the Last Adam (1 Corinthians 15:45). And so it is written, "The first man, Adam, was made a living soul," the last Adam was a life-giving Spirit. Jesus was born of the Word of God not of the sperm of fallen man. He did have the nature of the First Creation, the First Adam, but without the taint of sin. He then lived the sinless life, overcoming all temptation to become as the First Adam.

At the Cross of Calvary, He, Jesus took into Himself the entire First Race of Adam as its representative. That is why He died as a criminal. (2 Corinthians 5:21). For He has made Him who knew no sin, to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him. Satan's last potential servant did not serve him! Jesus bore (took into Himself) all of the First Adam's race and died and went to Hell with it.

Our problem is that we are trapped in TIME. God is in ETERNITY and we can join Him there!

We can, through the eyes of the Holy Spirit and the Word of God, look into things in the age to come and enjoy there now and here. If we can get a view of how this thing ends, and then to know that in God's eyes and mind it has already ended, we can then enter into the true ministry to which we have been called. We are called to take the "Sword of Truth" and cut off Satan's head with it. Look at this Scripture.

(Ephesians 3:8-11). Although I am less than the least of all God's people, this grace was given me: to preach to the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ, and to make plain to everyone the administration of this mystery, which for ages past was kept hidden in God, who created all things. His intent was that now, **through the church**, the manifold wisdom of God **should be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly realms**, according to his eternal purpose which he accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord.

What is the truth?

Obviously God did not annihilate Satan at the Cross, but the Bible says that He defeated Him there. Spoiled principalities and powers at the cross And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross.. (Colossians 2:15). How did this defeat take place?

The defeat was just this. That when Jesus was resurrected, He was made a New Creation - (2 Corinthians 5:17). So that if any one is in Christ, that one is a new creature; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new. This New Creation is a new race of beings that never existed before. The word "new" in the Greek does not mean renewed, but means something that never existed before. [NEW: of a new kind, unprecedented, novel, uncommon, unheard of].

This new race of beings, of which Jesus is the First Born, is no longer subject to Satan or the law of sin and death. Even if we do sin, all we do is run to Jesus and He removes it. Satan does not have a chance with us. We are going to be his judge.

We are free from Death and Sin! (Romans 6:3-10). Do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into His death? Therefore we were buried with Him by baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father; even so we also should walk in newness of life. For if we have been joined together in the likeness of His death, we shall also be in the likeness of His resurrection; knowing this, that our old man is crucified with Him in order that the body of sin might be destroyed, that from now on we should not serve sin. For he who died has been justified from sin. But if we died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him, knowing that when Christ was raised from the dead, He dies no more; death no longer has dominion over Him. For in that He died, He died to sin once; but in that He lives, He lives to God.

When did this defeat of Satan happen?

Remember when we ask the question "when" we are talking about time, and God is before and after time; He is always NOW.

We could say that Satan was defeated at the Cross, which took place about 2,000 years ago. There is a truth in that, but not the entire truth.

(Revelation 13:8) - And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him, whose names are not written in the book of life of **the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world**.

According to Revelation 13:8 Jesus was crucified before He formed the earth. Remember, to One Who is not limited by time, cause and effect can be reversed. (Isaiah 65:24). And it will be, before they call I will answer; and while they are still speaking, I will hear.

So in reality, Satan was defeated before he was created! You were redeemed before you sinned.

This does not seem fair, but God is just. Remember Jude 6 indicates that demons are being kept in darkness, which is the opposite of light. They do not have the advantage of being over and above time like God (and us). They are trapped in time. Jude 6 - And those angels not having kept their first place, but having deserted their dwelling-place, He has kept in everlasting chains under darkness for the judgment of a great Day; Satan has had a mark on him since he was created, it must have been somewhere on him that his eyes could not see; the mark said "Crucified before Created".

(1 Corinthians 2:7-9). But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, which God has hidden, predetermining it before the world for our glory; which none of the rulers of this world knew (for if they had known, **they would not have crucified the Lord** of glory). But as it is written, "Eye has not seen, nor ear heard," nor has it entered into the heart of man, "the things which God has prepared for those who love Him

When the world is getting you down, raise your voice with these verses: (Galatians 2:20). I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me.

(Galatians 6:14). But may it never be for me to boast, except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world is crucified to me, and I to the world.

O Death where is your sting?

Death is a General in the army of Satan. Death comes to take people to Hell when they die. He escorts them into eternal misery. But for the believer in Jesus Christ, Death has no dominion. He cannot come to escort a believer anywhere. When a believer begins to die, something happens. Death is standing there waiting, but just then an angel dispatched by Jesus shows up and escorts us into the presence of God. Just like Stephen when he was stoned never tasted death, so we will not.

(Hebrews 2:9). But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honour because he suffered death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

(Hebrews 2:14). Since then the children have partaken of flesh and blood, He also Himself likewise partook of the same; that through death He might destroy him who had the power of death (that is, the Devil),

Death has been annulled. 1 Timothy 1:10b (Amp) Christ Jesus, **Who annulled death** and made it of no effect and brought life and immortality (immunity from eternal death) to light through the Gospel. 1 Timothy 6:16 (Amp) Who alone has immortality (in the sense of exemption from every kind of death) and lives in

unapproachable light, Whom no man has ever seen or can see. Unto Him be honor and everlasting power and dominion. Amen, so be it.

Satan's destination

(Revelation 20:9-10). And they went up over the breadth of the earth and circled around the camp of the saints, and the beloved city. And fire came down from God out of Heaven and devoured them. And the Devil who deceived them was cast into the Lake of Fire and Brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet were. And he will be tormented day and night forever and ever.

We get even!

(Revelation 3:9).Behold, I will make them of the synagogue of Satan, which say they are Jews, and are not, but do lie; behold, I will make them to come and worship before thy feet, and to know that I have loved thee.