

Tongue Authority

Death and Life are in the power of the tongue, and those who love it will eat its fruit. Prov. 18:21

Let's begin with the obvious, by knowing God created everything; so you could say He created the "good" and the "bad" (*Isaiah 45:7 & Ecc. 7:14*).

These Scriptures do not intend to imply that God desired bad, only that He gave His created humanity "free will to choose" which allowed bad choices and destructive behavior. This causes some to blame God for calamity.

God's original "Garden of Eden" vision for humanity did not include satanic intrusion. After describing creation as a "Spoken" event in the first pages of Genesis God elected to guide and release further earthly manifestations of His power through the tongues of His Spiritually guided children, created in His image (*Genesis 1:26*).

God's purpose was and is: Passionate "Relationships" (*Exodus 34:14; Leviticus 26:12; 2nd Corinthians 6:16 + others*). All quality relationships, with God or with each other, include mutual agape love (a purpose driven verb, not just emotional feelings) and a desire to serve. Relationships with God provide Spiritual power. We, with our faith, pray its release, a perfect team fulfillment of that mutual plan to complete a love relationship.

As we study Scripture, the concept of Satan being described as a serpent creates an image of a talking snake to some. I believe this image is an unfortunate misrepresentation. The word "serpent" translated from original biblical Hebrew defines a spiritual being, but not necessarily a snake.

Humanity is not Satan's enemy. NO!!! God, our Heavenly Father, is his enemy. As a fallen angel, Lucifer and his legions of created spirits have a passion: avoiding submission to a Creator they cannot destroy, and possessing a selfish, narcissistic revengeful attitude, wanting to be God. So we, as God's adopted children, have become Satan's target for revenge.

After humanity fell from Grace, with its provision to allow speaking the release of Spiritual power based on God's wisdom and counsel, tongue authority took a negative turn, releasing fearful motives in place of Godly Love. Adam hid; a clue to the fear driven future we were all born into. Love combats fear. However, never forget, fear subdues love. (See 1st *John 4:18*)

"Sin" is a manifestation of self directed fear driven attitudes, tainted power, released through the negative thought and tongue (*Proverbs 13:3 and many other Scriptures*) as a result of our heritage ("*The tree of knowledge of good and evil,*" *Genesis 3*). With this choice humanity became driven by "fear", void of God's incredible loving "wisdom" and "counsel" that had accompanied His "Holy Spirit". For the first time tongue authority launched fear driven motives and initiated a desperate satanically directed humanity.

Sinful, fear motivated behavior is sometimes referred to as the original sin (*1 John 1:10*). It could have all been avoided by wise commands spoken by God's children in *Genesis 3:6*, but it was not and this is why bad things can happen to God's children whom He continues to love "Unconditionally" even before we possess the eternal Spirit of the Christ.