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Recently, one Sabbath morning while getting ready for church, a thought struck my mind like a bolt of lightning. It made me consider afresh the first sin that Lucifer sinned in heaven and his proposition to the first human pair in Eden. How often I have considered those familiar passages and yet it seemed like for the first time I was seeing this particular point by which my mind was struck that morning. It has to do with a certain claim Lucifer made in trying to convince Eve of his main pantheistic argument, that creation could be God with God. As I saw it, truth after truth seemed to flash across my mind showing God's own answer to Lucifer and ultimately, how God has made the way of Sabbath keeping in order to cause humanity to reject and defeat Lucifer's lying claim.

1. Now we know that Lucifer's sin was that he claimed that He could be God with God; that creation could be God with God. Isaiah 14:12-14 tell us, ***"How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! how art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations! For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north: I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High."*** (emphasis supplied)

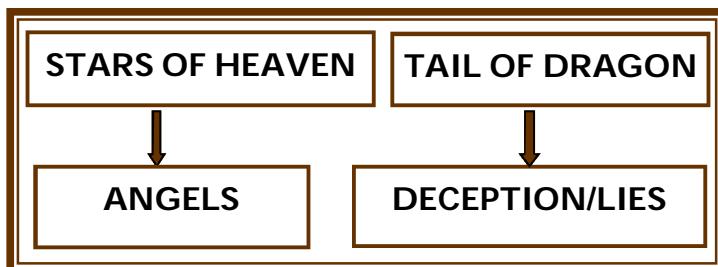
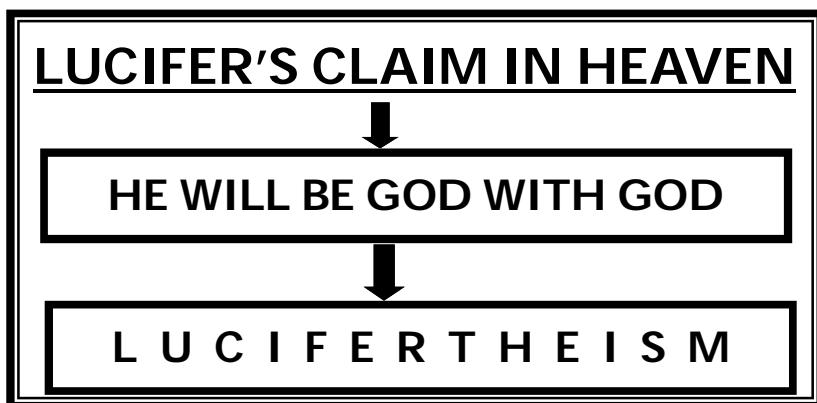
For this claim he was "fallen from heaven" and "cut down to the ground". He also made this claim to the Angels because scripture says he drew a third of them with him to the earth. Revelation 12:3,4,7-9. ***"And there appeared another wonder in heaven; and behold a great red dragon, having seven heads and ten horns, and seven crowns upon***

his heads. And his tail drew the third part of the stars of heaven, and did cast them to the earth..." "And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels, And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven. And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him." (emphasis supplied)

Stars represent Angels. Revelation 1:20

The tail drawing a 3rd part of the Angels identify the Devil's deceptions used on the angels. Isaiah 9:14-16.

It means that the Angels (or stars) who were cast out with him had accepted Lucifer's lying claim, the very claim for which he was cut down, fallen from heaven. See charts.

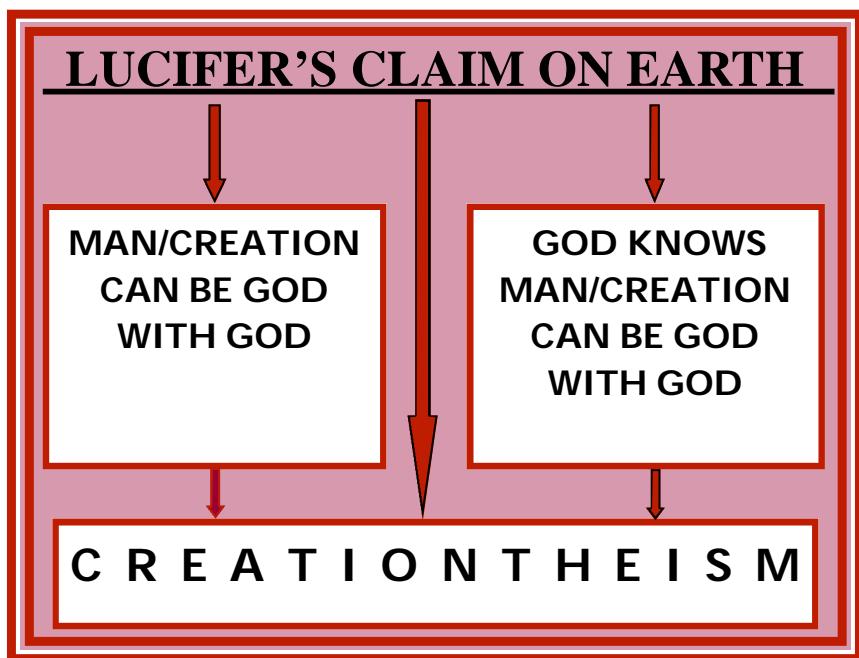


Have you ever asked yourself how did Lucifer manage to get one third (1/3) of the hosts of Angels in heaven to believe that what he claimed could be true?

2. Fast forward to the Garden of Eden and consider the account of his beguilement of Eve. In his words to her he not only repeated his pantheistic claim, that creation could be God with God-this time telling her she could be God, but he also made a lying claim about God. Genesis 3: 1-7 tell us *"Now the serpent was more subtle than any beast of the field which the Lord God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden? And the woman said unto the serpent, We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden: But of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die. And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die: For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as GOD, knowing good and evil. And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat. And the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves aprons."* (emphasis supplied)

The Audacity of this fallen creature! To falsely claim that not only can Eve who is a creation, become God with God, but that GOD KNOWS THIS LIE. Just imagine what such a claim, coming from the anointed cherub in heaven (see

Ezekiel chapter 28's description of Lucifer), the one whom God made the highest of his creation in heaven, to bear light to all the other Angels...imagine what such a claim about God, coming from him to the Angels, could do to their minds. After all, if God knows that creation can be God with him but does not tell this to his creation, then it is as if he is keeping something good from us, he is selfish, denying us some right and Lucifer is made out to be the hero because he is the one who makes known to us something God knows but hides from us...according to his claim of course. See illustrative chart.



Do you see what is happening here? Sadly, the deceived woman ate of the fruit in disobedience to God's command and the only thing she and her husband with her who ate also, came *to know* from eating was, not God-hood or divinity as Satan claimed, but that they were

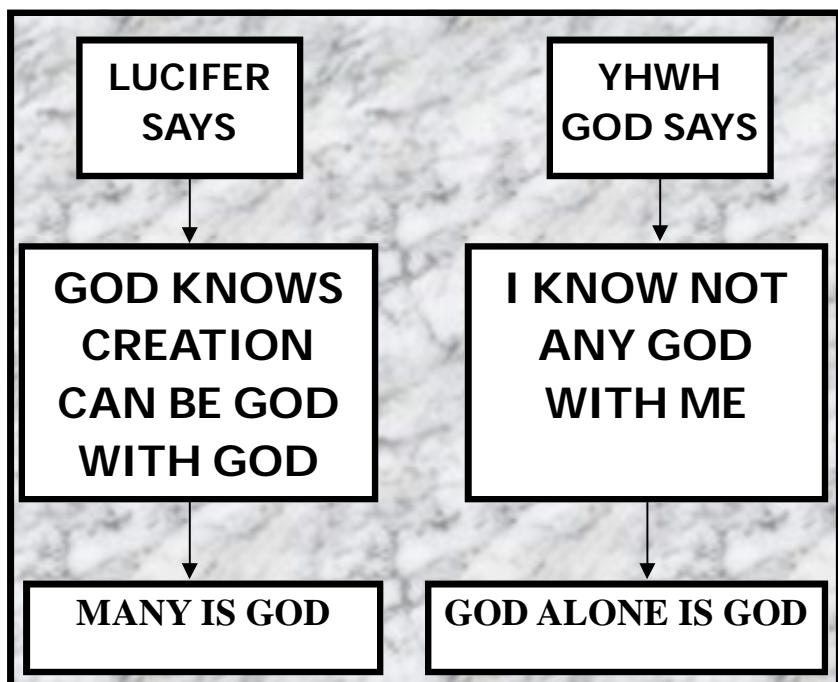
"naked" (Genesis 3:7). This of course shows they were in sin because nakedness identifies shame (Revelation 16:15) and shame shows that a person is dead in trespasses and sins, not being awakened to or conscious of the Righteousness of God (1 Corinthians 15:34, Jeremiah 23:5,6). In other words to be naked is to be without God himself in the heart.

3. Let us explore Lucifer's lie- "FOR GOD DOTH KNOW... YOU SHALL BE AS GOD". Do you know that God answers this directly? Isaiah 44:6-8 say, "Thus saith the Lord the King of Israel, and his redeemer the Lord of hosts; I am the first, and I am the last; and beside me there is no God. And who, as I, shall call, and shall declare it, and set it in order for me, since I appointed the ancient people? and the things that are coming, and shall come, let them shew unto them. Fear ye not, neither be afraid: have not I told thee from that time, and have declared it? ye are even my witnesses. Is there a God beside me? yea, there is no God; I know not any." (emphasis supplied)

YHWH God who created and commanded the host of Angels answers this fallen Angel's lie with a clear "I KNOW NOT ANY" as far as his claim that God knows other Gods with him goes. How plainer can it get? Not only is there no God besides him but YHWH speaks of what he does and does not know. Lucifer had said "GOD DOTH KNOW..." YHWH GOD of hosts says "I KNOW NOT ANY." Did you see that?

Consider dear friends that anytime man sins, he can only sin after the manner of Lucifer. And Lucifer's sin was to say that creation can be God with God. But in saying this he also made a false claim about what God knows; that God

knows creation can be God with Him. It means that whenever man sins he too is claiming that, whatever the creation in his life is which he exalts as God with God, God knows that this creation is God with him. The thought alone is horrific! This is a dastardly lie against God! How could we lie against God, changing the truth of God into a lie? (Romans 1:25). Sin is indeed against God. Psalm 51:4, Psalm 41:4. We see that it was impossible for Eve to become God in her knowing (consciousness), just as it is impossible for God to know a lie in his experience, much more a lie about himself. See illustrative chart.



Lucifer's claim is Pantheism; that creation can realize that it is God with God. This is also many gods or polytheism. God says He is God alone or numerical Monotheism.

SIN CLAIMS

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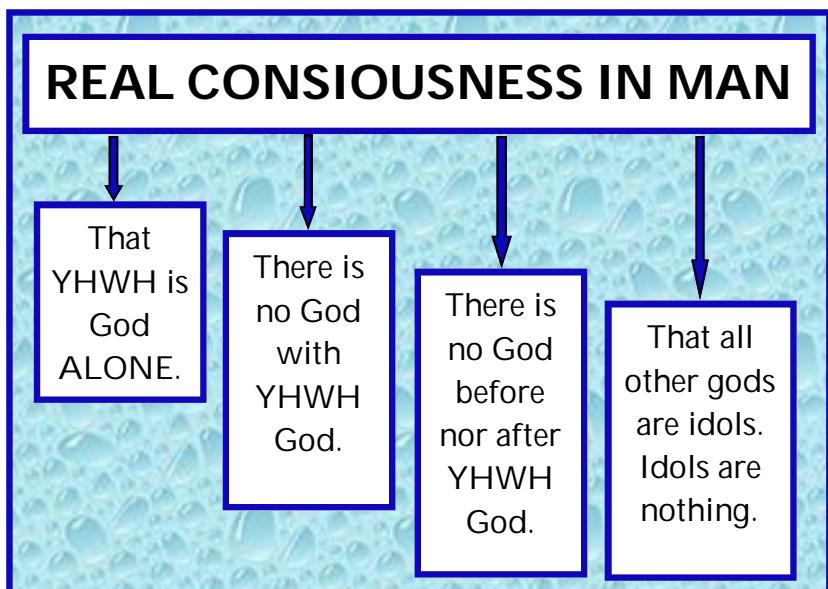
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4. What did God create man to **KNOW** against the lying knowledge claim of the fallen, mad Angel? Isaiah 43:7, 10-12 says, *"Even every one that is called by my name: for I have created him for my glory, I have formed him; yea, I have made him." "Ye are my witnesses, saith the Lord, and my servant whom I have chosen: THAT YE MAY KNOW and believe me, and understand that I AM HE: before me there was no God formed, neither shall there be after me. I, even I, am the Lord; and beside me there is no saviour. I have declared, and have saved, and I have shewed, when there was no strange god among you: therefore ye are my witnesses, saith the LORD, THAT I AM GOD."* (emphasis supplied)

The only thing that we can KNOW or be conscious of is that YHWH GOD is GOD ALONE; that there is no God beside

him, neither before him nor formed after him. Yet Satan tries to make us think there is some 'knowing' or real consciousness outside of this. He seeks to make us think there is some enlightenment to attain through pantheism; through exalting some creation in our life as God when we disobey God to follow after it. It is all a lie! There is no experience to arrive at, no hidden knowledge to discover, no God-hood or divinity to realize, in disobeying God's precepts, my friend. God knows no other God and you cannot in reality know any either. In disobedience, all you have is your vain imagination, lying to yourself that this object of your value (this idol) can give you what you think it can give you, when in reality it doesn't even really exist. It is not God. Ezekiel 28:1-2,6-9, Psalm 96:5, 1 Corinthians 8:4, Jeremiah 10:10,11. See illustrative charts.



MAN CAN ONLY KNOW



**THAT YHWH GOD
IS GOD ALONE**

5. God understands the deception of Satan. He knows that in ourselves we are no match for him. After all, this being was able to draw 1/3 of the stars/Angels of heaven with him, by his arguments. So in God's great love towards us he gives us the way to defeat Satan's argument by giving us the weekly exercise of Sabbath keeping which emphasizes what we ought to keep in our knowledge/consciousness at all times.

In Ezekiel 20:20 God says, "***And hallow my Sabbaths; and they shall be a sign between me and you, THAT YE MAY KNOW THAT I AM THE LORD (YHWH) YOUR GOD.***" And in Exodus 31:13 He says, "***Speak thou also unto the children of Israel, saying, Verily my Sabbaths ye shall keep: for it is a sign between me and you throughout your generations; THAT YE MAY KNOW THAT I AM THE LORD (YHWH) THAT DOTH SANCTIFY YOU.***" (Emphasis Supplied). Furthermore, the 4th commandment clause in the 10 commandment law of God underscores the fact that

the Sabbath teaches man that YHWH is God because in it God's name YHWH is referred to three (3) times along with the Sabbath (more than in any other commandment). God says in Exodus 20:8-11-

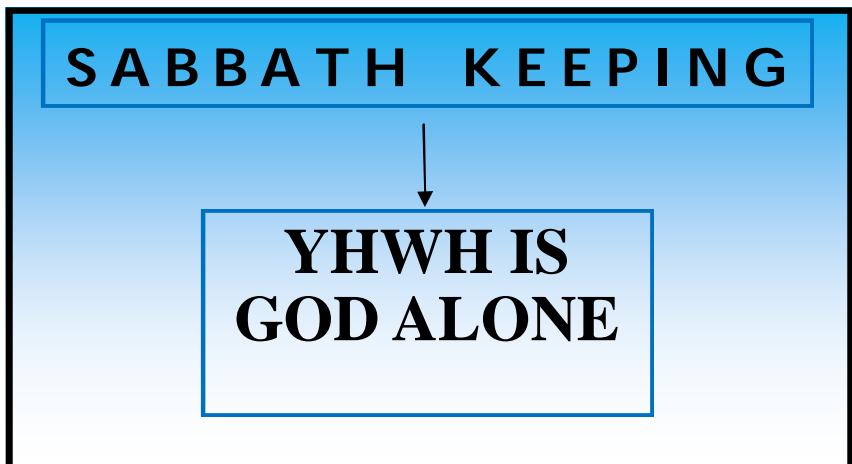
⁸ Remember ***the Sabbath day***, to keep it holy.

⁹ Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work:

¹⁰ But the seventh day is ***the Sabbath*** of the LORD thy God: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates:

¹¹ For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the Lord blessed ***the Sabbath day***, and hallowed it."

See illustrative charts



SABBATH KEEPING

YHWH IS GOD
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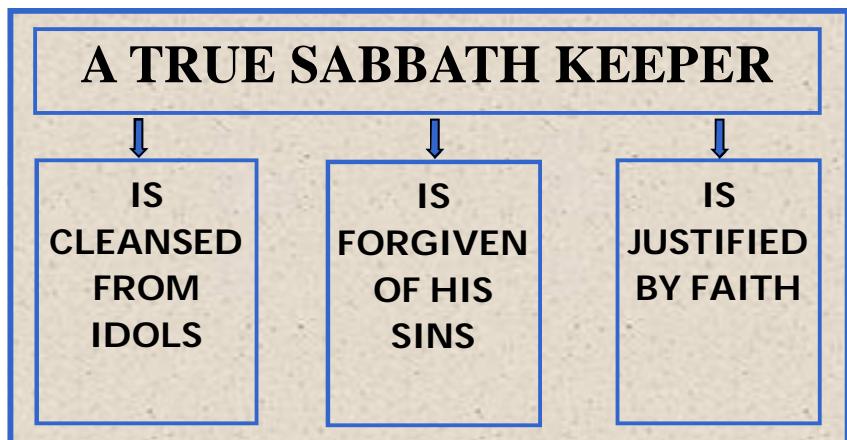
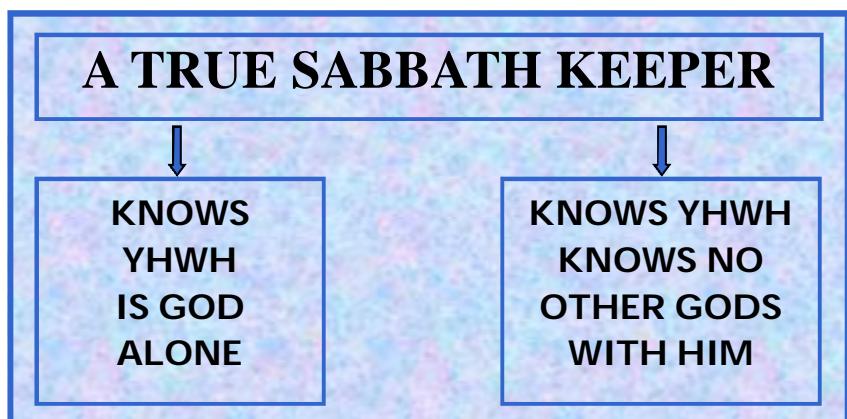
Thus we see that weekly Sabbath keeping is meant to imprint or seal in our knowledge or consciousness, that YHWH is GOD and HIM ALONE. It also makes us know that YHWH God is our Creator and that He sanctifies or sets us apart from sin.

6. Therefore, a true Sabbath keeper neither knows any other gods with YHWH nor does he lie in his testimony that YHWH knows other gods with Himself. Sabbath keeping makes us know the truth about YHWH GOD's God aloneness against Lucifer's lying claim about God and about creation. Sabbath keeping saves us from the mania of Lucifer and causes us to live the purpose for which YHWH made us and recreated us in Justification ; that is to KNOW and to witness that YHWH is God alone. Romans 3:28,30,31, Mark 12:29, Mark 2:27,28 (The son of man is LORD/ YHWH of the Sabbath).

In order to keep the Sabbath holy which is a fruit-sign that

one has the experience of knowing that YHWH God as God alone, against Lucifer's claims, God must first change man's heart; that is to cleanse him from the unreal knowing of other gods/idols. Ezekiel 14: 1-8, Ezekiel 36:25-27. The one God must be revealed to our hearts and implanted there in Justification by faith to make us keep His Sabbath which reinforces that He is God alone. 1 John 1:9, 1 Corinthians 6:9-11, Acts 13:38,39, Galatians 2:16, Hebrews 11:6, Romans 3: 30,31, 1 John 3:24, 2 Corinthians 3:17, James 2:10-12.

See charts below.



A TRUE SABBATH KEEPER

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7. Since the Sabbath shows YHWH is God alone and the Sabbath keeper has the experience of God in him as God alone, against Lucifer's claims, then it is no wonder that for eternity we will keep every Sabbath day holy in worship of YHWH God as God alone.

Isaiah 66: 22-23 says "*For as the new heavens and the new earth, which I will make, shall remain before me, saith the Lord, so shall your seed and your name remain. And it shall come to pass, that from one new moon to another, and from one Sabbath to another, shall all flesh come to worship before me, saith the Lord.*"

And to worship God is to show that He is God alone. During the temptation of Jesus when satan asked him to bow down and worship him, he said in his answer,

"Get thee hence, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord (YHWH) thy God, and him only shalt thou serve." Matthew 4:10

See illustrative chart.

ETERNAL SABBATH KEEPING



WORSHIP OF YHWH GOD



WORSHIP YHWH GOD ALONE

YHWH is GOD ALONE and He knows no other God with Him. He is God alone before, from the beginning, now and forever. His Sabbath is the sign of His God aloneness which he gave to humanity to remember, as keeping His God aloneness in their hearts. He is preparing a people right now to stand in the final crisis, exalting Him as God alone and not being deceived by Lucifer's claims. The 144,000 saints who will remain standing when Christ comes the second time have the Father's name-YHWH- written in their foreheads. Revelation 14:1, Isaiah 42:8. They are sinfree or faultless; not defiled with false doctrines and idols in their hearts. Ezekiel 20:18,20, Revelation 14:1-5. Lucifer's claims will never rise up a second time.

Do you know YHWH God as God alone? I invite you to receive him today through the truths shown in this booklet. May God bless you to this end. Amen.

The End

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