

THE SATANIC SYSTEM

We get our English word "cosmos" from the Greek "kosmos." Webster defines "cosmos" as any self-inclusive system characterized by order and harmony. The Greek word "kosmos" is found in the New Testament 187 times. In at least 30 of these instances it clearly refers to the satanic system. A study of the Scriptures reveals ten pertinent facts about the "kosmos" or world system:

- 1) Satan is the head or prince of this system. Jesus said, "Now is the judgment of this world: (now shall the prince of this world) (kosmos or satanic system) be cast out" (John 12:31). Hereafter I will not talk much with you; for the prince of this world (kosmos or satanic system) cometh, and hath nothing in me" (John 14:30). "Of judgment, because the prince of this world (Satanic system) is judged" (John 16:11).
- 2) Since Satan is the head of this system, it is entirely evil. The Bible speaks of the believer as having escaped corruption that is in the world (Satanic system) 2 Pet. 1:4. The Bible speaks of the pollution of the world (Satanic system) 2 Pet. 2:20. The Christian is to keep himself unspotted from the world (Satanic system) Jas. 1:27. The friendship of the world (Satanic system) is enmity with God. (Jas. 4:4) All who are born of God overcome the world (Satanic system) 1 John 5:4. The spirit of antichrist was at work in the world (Satanic system) even in apostolic times (1 John 4:3).
- 3) Satan oppresses those who are in his kingdom (Acts 10:38).
- 4) Satan binds with physical infirmities those in his kingdom (Luke 13:16).
- 5) Christians can be sifted and buffeted by Satan (Luke 22:31, 32; 2 Cor. 12:7).
- 6) The world or satanic system is defined in this way: "the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life" (1 John 2:16).
- 7) The satanic system hates the believer (1 John 3:13).
- 8) The believer can overcome the satanic system because the indwelling Christ is greater than the Devil (1 John 4:4).
- 9) Those who are a part of the satanic system live for it (1 John 4:5).
- 10) The satanic system is temporal. God's kingdom is eternal (1 John 2:17). Consider some of the divisions in the satanic system:
 - a. The entertainment world
 - b. The educational world
 - c. The political world
 - d. The religious world

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