

Lucifer's Rationalism

M. Lucifer's Ambition

"You said in your heart, 'I will ascend to heaven; I will raise my throne above the stars of God; I will sit enthroned on the mount of assembly, on the utmost heights of the sacred mountain.'" Isaiah 14:13

1. "You said in your heart"

In the Hebrew it doesn't say, "You said in your heart", for it has the extra *you* in it for emphasis, "*But you, you said in your heart.*" This draws our attention to the idea of **shock**. Our attention is brought to this one created being, who now operates independently from and rebelliously against all the rest of God's creatures in heaven now wanting to take over the rule of heaven and earth!

The phrase, "You said in your heart" is to be used here in the sense of **thinking**. Lucifer was thinking this in his heart. It's interesting to note that Lucifer probably did not know that Yahweh was capable of also knowing what the heart was thinking about.

Amar meant to think, to contemplate, to reflect upon, to meditate on when used with the preposition, *be*, and the heart. It involves the thinking process and the arriving at a conclusion. It refers to the conviction that one arrives at after grappling intellectually with a concept for a long time. From this process of **thinking**, one arrives at a conviction or **conclusion**. From that follows the idea of **planning**.

This speaks of our concept of reasoning, where by thinking we arrive at a conclusion, then an intention, or what one intends to do, then formulating a plan to bring it about. This is why I have entitled this, "Lucifer's Rationalism". Because **rationalism is the formation of opinions by relying upon reason alone independently of authority or revelation**. This is the basis for all Masonic and enlightenment groups of the occult and is found all throughout human history. And, as we will see, actually began with Lucifer in heaven. What we see here is Lucifer's intentions and some of the things he was planning to do. This came about because Lucifer had been involved in the process of rationalism for some time and had to have rejected the source of authority and revelation that would have come from Yahweh.

2. "I will ascend into heaven"

Here we begin to see that Lucifer shared in common the same traits that all of God's creatures possess, as God does, for he created us that way, and that is the ability to think, to reason, to imagine, to dream, to plan, etc.. We have here the concepts of thinking, reasoning, deciding and planning all brought out; **the concepts of intellect and volition.**

But we do not see any overt statement by Lucifer concerning his purpose; it was all contained in the thinking of his heart. **Why?** Was he afraid of being found out? Did he think that Yahweh wouldn't know, or wouldn't find out? Did he keep it secret so he could build his power base for the day when he made his move? And is this the reason why his people on earth operate in the same fashion- in secret?

There are many questions to be asked about all this but not as many answers. At what point in time did Lucifer think this? Where was he at when he did? In heaven? On earth? In some place in the galaxy? What were the events that transpired in his existence that led him to make this statement? Where was his location that he would have to ascend into heaven? How, or by what means, would he ascend? Into what heaven? Is the second heaven and/or the third heaven located within our known universe, or located outside its borders?

The first thing we notice is that *ghalah* is in the qal future 1 ps, and like all other future tenses it is translated as, "*I will*". It is **a notice of intent to conduct an action at some point of time in the future, whether near or distant future. It is never used to merely indicate a preference, desire, or wish, but to denote the state and intent of the will.** The statement usually follows mental deliberation where one thinks, ponders, or reasons on a matter of what one desires. Then one comes to a conclusion in the matter, and then formulates a plan whereby one can carry it out. "I will do something", expresses all that.

But we have an interesting question here. **How did Lucifer get from God's will to self-will?** When did we ever hear of any of Yahweh's angels saying, (or thinking), "I will"? In all of the activities of these heavenly beings the only thing we see them doing is the will of Yahweh.

This is a matter of tremendous importance and grave concern, for we now have an angel who is thinking and operating outside the sphere of what they had been created for. Lucifer was now thinking "My will", not Yahweh's will. But he kept this matter to himself, at least for a period of time.

Lucifer had already fallen by the time he had thought this in his heart, for this was not a thought of desire, **but a thought of willful intention**, which comes only at the end of a chain of deliberation. This is the conclusion of Lucifer's reasoning, where he states his willful intentions. **This process of rationalism also tells us that he had rejected the concepts of revelation and authority, both of which had come from Yahweh.**

Apparently there was the matter, probably the explanation for the existence of all the creatures in heaven that had been communicated by Yahweh to them, that Yahweh had created them. But somewhere along the line, Lucifer no longer believed it due to his

beauty, thereby rejecting both concepts of authority and revelation. **Having now rejected these things, Lucifer is left now with only the concept of rationalism.** Leaving these two behind Lucifer now embarks on the process of reasoning to come up with the explanation for his own existence. But this is going to be misguided rationalism, which can only come to a faulty conclusion, because he has rejected the true premise upon which to base his thinking.

The true premise is that God created him. But he rejects that and seeks to come up with another explanation for his existence. Reason and knowledge are perfectly acceptable for perceiving truth, if it is based upon revealed truth. But if one rejects revealed truth, as many Masons and other esoteric groups do, and seek to perceive reality based solely upon reason, without revealed truth, then they will always miss the mark and go away from the truth as Lucifer did. Why? **If one wants to end up with a conclusion of truth, one must begin with the premise of truth.** Trying to reason toward truth, after having rejected revealed truth, will always doom one to error.

Lucifer had resolved to go up into heaven, but, as so often is the case, what one has decided to do and tried to do doesn't always work out that way! The qal future of *galah* means to be on something, upon it, over it, or above it. In the verb form it has the idea that something is above you, so to get there one must go up. **There is also the metaphorical idea of increasing, getting stronger, changing and even the idea of evolving into something else.**

Now as to the questions of where was Lucifer when he said this, in heaven, on earth, or in some other place in the galaxy; and what heaven was he referring to; we can find some of the answers in the Hebrew.

He said, “*I will ascend to heaven*”, or go up to heaven. The word in the Hebrew is *hashshamayim* with the definite article. The *ayim* ending is the dual ending referring to **two heavens**. Showing that there are two heavens in view in his statement. This shows, with the definite article, that he has a specific place in mind; the place where El dwells in the heavens. It's interesting to note that he refers to him as *Elyon*.

Secondly, we know that there are three heavens and *hashamayim* refers to two heavens, so either Lucifer was located in the first heaven and desired to go up to the second heaven, and then on up to the third heaven, or he had something else in mind. Because he refers to two heavens, it would be logical to assume that he was in the first heaven when he said this.

But the ascent into heaven was not a mere ascent, for he and the other angels went there regularly to the mount of assembly to see and hear Yahweh, or Elyon as he refers to him. **What it speaks of is an assault on the throne of Yahweh to topple him from power and remove him as the Judge and Ruler of the universe; and to replace his government with his own government. It speaks of his scheme to topple the Almighty from his throne, a political coup of the greatest magnitude!**

3. "I will raise my throne"

The verb, *rum*, means to lift oneself, to rise, to be exalted, to become powerful, to be high and lofty; it was used of those who are eminent in power and glory. In this context and similar ones, it speaks of **being exalted or lifted up to a position of power and rule**. The higher position in anyone was always reserved for those who were better, smarter, richer, wiser, or more powerful. It was also used for those who judge or rule.

So Lucifer, by stating, "*I will raise my throne*", is signifying that he intended to raise his throne up to the position of being the ruler of the universe, a position that God held at that time and still does. But in the hiphil stem, which is causative and active, we have some interesting points brought out.

The causative stem tells us that something doesn't just happen, **but is caused to happen**. Which tells us that Lucifer will **cause his throne to be raised up to heaven**. And in the active voice it tells us that it will be Lucifer who does this; he will be the active agent behind causing his throne to be lifted up, or so he thinks.

But he doesn't tell us how he intends to do this. He either had a tactic in mind at that time by which he intended to do that, or he has been developing tactics along the way. Probably a little of both, where he has ideas he has been refining ever since. Who knows? Maybe he has been using wars and revolutions on the earth that he has fomented, as laboratory experiments to see which ideas work out the best and to eliminate the bugs from them. As Rev. 18:24 tells us, "*In her was found the blood of the prophets and of the saints, and of all who have been killed on the earth.*" Babylon, (the secret societies of Masonry), has been responsible for all those killed on earth. Wars, revolutions, secrecy, conspiracies, the placing of evil people in power that belong to Lucifer, have been the standard operating procedure on earth since the beginning.

Lucifer offered Christ the same thing, he has been giving to other world rulers, the position of ruler ship of the kingdoms of the world, only he offered him ruler ship over **all** the world's kingdoms, if he would only bow down and worship him, which Christ promptly refused. He told Christ, "*All this I will give you, if you will bow down and worship me.*" Matt. 4. The devil led him up to a high place and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And he said to him, "*I will give you all their authority and splendor, for it has been given to me, and I can give it to anyone I want to. So if you worship me, it will all be yours.*" Matt. 4: 4-6.

One of the ways Lucifer could cause his throne to be lifted up is along the **judicial lines**. **If he could somehow prove that Elyon was guilty, or at fault, unjust, inept, or unfair in his position of ruling the universe, then he thinks that he would have the grounds for deposing God from his rule over the universe and then establishing his rule**. And hence, everything that has transpired on earth would be used by both sides, God's and Lucifer's, as **evidence in a courtroom agenda**. Job is an excellent example in this matter. In Job 2: 8,9 God said to Satan, "*Have you considered my servant Job?*" Satan

replied back, “*Does Job fear God for nothing?*” The implication here is that God is buying Job’s allegiance.

We cannot go into this matter in detail at this time, but what is happening here is not Elyon and Lucifer discussing a philosophical point, but that this is a legal issue in the court of heaven. And we see this theme all the way through the Bible into the New Testament, **where Lucifer is trying to prove a legal point in heaven with the hope of winning a legal victory over God**, which he would use to cause his throne to be exalted to the place of ruler ship over heaven and earth.

Another tactic that he would use, and one that has been involved in the wars and revolutions on earth throughout the years, is the use of **popular sentiment, where people’s minds and hearts are swayed**, (usually through brainwashing and deception, [Satan’s tool]), **to the point that they call for a total change in government**. And we would certainly expect to have seen Lucifer to use this tool in heaven to exalt his throne, which he did! But he only got 1/3 of the angels to believe him and join his ranks. **Think about it! One third of the angels in heaven were swayed enough by Lucifer’s argument to call for a change in government in heaven!** The things that he told them must have been so powerful, so convincing, so deceptive, such lies, (he has been a liar since the beginning and this is it), that they believed him and joined him in calling for a total change of heaven’s government, thereby deposing the Father-Son monarchy of Elyon and his Son.

Another tactic that Lucifer would employ is the **power play**, where he would **seek to depose Elyon from his throne by force!** This, of course, would take tremendous power on his part and an army sufficient enough to topple Yahweh from his throne and position of power.

Apparently we see all three concepts being utilized by the devil: the legal battle being fought in the courtroom of heaven, the power play and the winning of the hearts and minds of other angels over to his cause. But Lucifer’s push to topple Yahweh from his throne of rule by power will fail him, because Michael and his angels, as directed by God, will defeat the devil in an heavenly war forcing Lucifer out of heaven, with no place left for him to go but to the earth. (Woe to the earth). Lucifer’s bid for the throne by power has also come down to the earth, for we see him actively at work to get the earth’s inhabitants to side with him and his arrogant viewpoint toward God, and many have sided with him.

Now Lucifer said that he would cause his throne to be exalted up to heaven. We don’t exactly know what the means are that he would try to do this, we know some of the scenarios that he is using to do this, **but we do know that he is the causative and active agent behind this and he will fail.**

Now we come to the matter of the throne of Lucifer. Does he actually have a real throne? Evidently he does, because the Word says that he does. But when did he get this throne? Was he issued a throne at the beginning of his position as guardian cherub? Or

did he make one for himself after his rebellion against Yahweh? We do not see any of the other angels having thrones, except for the twenty-four elders. And where was his throne at this time? Was it in the first heaven, on earth, or somewhere else in the universe? And what does his throne look like? Does it have a covering? Is it a tent-like thing, a pavilion? Or is it in something akin to a temple? And what does a throne speak of anyway?

At its simplest level a throne was a chair or seat, but it also meant much more than that. The word *kisse* meant a head of a region, also a place for the royal residence. The throne was always seated higher than the others because the one who was seated on it held higher status. Often the legs of the throne terminated in feet; sometimes they were lion's paws, sometimes they were ox's hooves, **all to show that the one seated on the throne was thought of as being borne by a strong animal that attested to his power and guarded him against his enemies.** The Mesopotamian king, Sargon, was seated on a golden throne and was described as being like a god. If a throne was set up in a temple, it was so that a "god" could sit on it. In such cases, **the thrones that were set up upon the earth were to be the mirror image of what was in the heavens**, and the deity that was involved was supposed to be present with the throne.

A throne spoke of the power and rule, the governing by an individual. To place someone on the throne meant to give power to that individual so he could rule. To topple that person from his throne meant the end of his power to rule over the government. If a person already had a throne, and that throne was taken to another place, then it meant that whatever his power, rule and government was in first place was now to be extended to the new place.

To change the throne meant to change the government. So for Lucifer to attempt to raise his throne up to the third heaven meant that his ambition was to replace Yahweh's government over the universe with his own. **To ascend the throne meant to take over the task of running the government**, which meant that Lucifer reasoned that Yahweh had become unjust or inept in his rule of the universe, and that he was going to take it over. This is what the war in heaven is all about.

The concept of **elevation** played very prominently in thrones, not only because it manifested the elevated status of the king, but because of **the relationship between it and the primeval concept of their gods who had their thrones on a mountain in heaven.** Yahweh has his throne on a mountain; the pagans had their thrones on mountains; and it is natural to infer that Lucifer had his throne on a mountain, for the pagan world worships Lucifer as god, (and so do the Masons for that matter).

Human thrones were on **raised platforms that one went up to by steps.** Even the ancient temples were on man-made mountains that we call pyramids, towers, ziggurats, that were ascended by steps. The pyramid was constructed in a step fashion with the temple on top that housed the deity and his throne. Human rulers, such as kings and the pharaohs, referred to their thrones as the throne of their deities to show that they were the deity's representatives on earth and that he was present there with them.

The throne was the place from which one ruled, judged and held official power and was the symbol of their power. And by the fact that Lucifer has a throne somewhere in heaven tells us that he holds some position of power and rule. The reference to Satan's throne in Pergamum tells us that **the king who set on it was the earthly representative of Satan on earth.** I believe that Satan was worshipped there under the title of Zeus. Rev. 2:13.

So if one ascended to the throne, it meant that he was promoted to take over an already existing government, and was to basically continue on in its tradition. If a throne was toppled or overturned, it meant that the reign of that king had ended. If one replaced an existing throne with his own, as in the case here with Lucifer's ambition, it meant that the reign of the one individual was to come to an end to be replaced by the rule of another, for the throne represented the seat of government and what type of government it would be.

Thrones often had a covering of some kind. It might be a simple canopy over it, a tent, or maybe even a larger pavilion. These were quite common when a king captured a city when he would have his throne set up at the gate of the city with a tent, canopy, or pavilion covering it. But back in his own nation and city there would be an actual throne room for his throne where he carried on the affairs of state. In the matter of where a deity was involved the throne room would actually be a temple.

When a king was enthroned there were always **two elements in the enthronement ritual.** One, a **procession to the sanctuary** where the king was invested with the royal symbols of rule, the crown, scepter, etc., anointed and then acclaimed by the priests and people. Two, a **procession to the palace**, where the king ascended the throne and received the homage of the court. We see all these things with God's people in the Old Testament, in pagan societies and in the royal family of England today. And we will also see it in what the anti-christ will be doing in the tribulation. 2 Thess.2.

We don't know exactly when Lucifer got his throne and we don't know how he got it. That is, was it issued to him, and was it invested to him as a part of his duties as the guardian cherub in the royal household of God? Or did he make one for himself after he rebelled against God? But we do know that he has one and with it he had some amount of power and rule.

As far as **where is it located** we have to go with the idea of being somewhere in the first heaven because of his reference to ascending into the other two heavens. The 1/3 of the angels that followed him have separated themselves from the reign of Yahweh over them and have now become Satan's subjects; subject to the rule of his throne over them. We also know that his intention was to raise his throne up to the third heaven to topple Elyon from power and replace Elyon's rule over the universe with his own. He intends to cause it to happen employing various tactics; in the legal arena of the court of heaven; by swaying angels and men over to his side and by the force of arms against God. And we also know that he will fail!

4. "Above the stars of God"

The word *mimmagal* denotes **direction** and means **to go higher than something**, to go above it. But with the prefix *min* in it, it denotes that it is departing from some place, a place that it was in before, a part coming out of the whole. For example, we came out of the world system; we departed from it. We were once a part of it at one time; it was our origin, but now we have come out of it. We were individuals among many other individuals, but God took us out from them and brought us to himself. And that's what we have here with the word *mimmagal*.

It shows two things; one, that **Lucifer was once one of the stars of God**, and two, he is going to **try to raise his throne higher than the stars of God**. This indicates that he **already was in a position lower than the stars of God. Could this be because God had already demoted him to this lower position, because he had already fallen? Or was this demotion the precursor to his pride and bitter jealousy manifesting itself in his "I will" statements?** The idea would be that at one time he held an elevated position in the kingdom of God, and God, for his own reasons, decided to place him in a much lower position, a demotion if you will. Now the pride, the envy, the bitter jealousy, the anger, the "I'll get you back" attitudes start to come out, and he plans his revenge!

And who are the stars of God? Are they angels, all of the angels, or just certain angels in close proximity to God? And how would he intend to exalt his throne over the stars of God? Would he do this by attacking them? Would they, then, fight back? And can angels be wounded? And if so by what means? And can angels die? You say, "No", they're immortal. Then where is the text that proves that? The only Being ever mentioned in the Bible that is immortal is God himself!

Mimmagal shows that Lucifer intended to go up, not to just a higher position, but to the highest position, higher than the highest stars of God. Apparently, at that time, he was lower than them. The idea of being lower than them is brought out in the passage, and would indicate that he had been thrust down to this position by Elyon, either as the result of his fall into pride, or the precursor to his infamous statement. **This would make his "I will" statement not one of just inordinate ambition and pride, but one arising out of bitter jealousy, anger and revenge. It's as if he was saying, "I'll get even with you", "You'll pay for what you did to me".**

This is a **natural reaction often found in society** due to the sin nature. A man gets demoted on the job, or fired, and the next thing we see is them complaining about the boss or job. Sometimes they quit, if demoted; sometimes they go to work for the competition to drive the old boss out of business, (toppling them from their thrones); sometimes they come back with a gun to kill people. These are all revenge tactics that arise out of the person's pride, arrogance and anger

And it seems to be that is what we have here with Lucifer and Elyon. If Lucifer had been lifted up in pride because of his beauty and his position of power, then it would only be natural to assume that God was well aware of it. **And consequently would have**

removed him from his position casting him down from the holy mountain, probably to some other area in the first heaven. This certainly would have been a demotion of the first order, to be removed from his position of power, glory and function in the presence of Yahweh in the third heaven with the other angels, and now to be demoted to the first heaven where he had none of the former power in the royal household; an act that would have definitely been designed to humble pride.

If all these things are true, then it would be easy to see that Lucifer, now humbled by being removed from his former position, would be seething with anger and wanting to get even with God. And what better way for him to get even than mounting an attack against the very throne of God himself and remove him from power; the ultimate “getting even with the boss” tactic. The five “*I wills*” of Isaiah, reflect this idea very well.

One of the strategies that Lucifer would use to accomplish this would be to get as many of the other angels over to his side, sort of like convincing the other employees that the boss was wrong. And, from the way it turned out, many of the angels did side with Lucifer, 1/3 of them, apparently thinking that Elyon didn’t treat him fairly. They apparently thought that God didn’t do right in this whole matter, sort of like the boss “overreacting” to the situation, so they sided with Lucifer, the “disgruntled employee”. But obviously they didn’t have all of the facts; they only believed Lucifer’s side of the story. And even if God didn’t tell them the real and whole story, and he was under no obligation to do so as God; they should have trusted his better judgment, which they didn’t, instead they believed Lucifer and sided with him against God.

Also along the idea of this being a revenge tactic of Lucifer, if he thought he was developing into being a god himself, as were the other 1/3, why wouldn’t he be just content to be a god and leave it alone at that, instead of trying to depose Yahweh from power? **Yes there was ambition, jealousy and anger, but there is also revenge here.**

Now the “*stars of God*” is *kokabh* and had the meaning of a heavenly body, a planet, star, sun, etc.. But the Babylonians had different words for a planet and a star. The basic meaning of the word *kokabh* was to burn brightly. It was the word used for the luminaries of the heavens. In ancient times some thought that the stars were divine beings, and some thought they represented divine beings. The ancient city of Babylon took and made a scientific system of astronomy and astrology. They located and categorized the various stars and constellations taking notice of their movements throughout heaven. But they also thought that the movement of the stars were directed by various divine powers, and by that they could determine the favorable and unfavorable times for doing business, or going to war would be in the future. They were the prognosticators of astrology, and are still going on today.

The star, **Venus**, which we refer to as a planet, was identified with **Ishtar** the mother goddess of the Babylonian religion; the Dog Star, **Sirius**, was identified with **Nimrod**; and **Mars** was identified with **Nergal** the lord of the underworld. So if we’re to take the basic meaning of *kokabh*, to burn brightly, or a luminary, **we can see how it could be**

used both of a literal star and an angel, for the radiant glory of an angel would be to them a luminary.

Hence the name Lucifer given to the angel that rebelled against God. If we wanted to be technically accurate, his name isn't Lucifer, but *Hellel*. But he has been called Lucifer for years, probably because somebody took the name Hellel, which means shining, and translated it into the Latin Lucifer. **Lucifer comes from the Latin** and is derived from two words: lux, the word for light, and fero, to bring. **So it means the light bearer, or the one who brings light.**

Elyon referred to this rebel angel not by name but by his position in Ezek.28 as the Guardian Cherub. In Isa.14:12 we have the closest thing to his proper name where he is called *Hellel*, the Shining One. But the King James translators chose to use the Latin word when translating the word *Hellel* from the Hebrew.

It is also interesting to note here that when Lucifer was thinking all this in his heart he chose to use the word *El* when referring to Yahweh. This is significant because it tells us how he views God. The term *el* in its root meaning has the idea of **power**. In fact, instead of using the word God when talking about him, we could use the term Powerful One; it would be more accurate and in keeping with the OT idea. When Christ was on the cross he called out to God in the Aramaic saying, "*Eli, Eli*", which could be translated as "My Power, My Power"! **When Lucifer speaks of Yahweh, the eternal God, he calls him El, or Elyon, never by his personal name, Yahweh. This tells us that Lucifer thinks of him, not as God, but as a Being who is more powerful than he is.** He doesn't see the person, the personality, the virtue, his character, or anything else; he just sees the power. To him it's all a matter of power. Similar to the idea of how the poor see the rich. They don't see the person, their personality, or character; all they see is that they're rich!

The "*Stars of El*" is a reference to the angels of God, not just the ones closest to him, but to all the angels. This is **looking at it from the perspective of how Lucifer views the whole scene**. Remember, that what we have here is a matter of perspective, for Lucifer, the Shining One, (called "The Peacock Angel by the Yezudis of Iraq because of the iridescence of his shining colors), is looking up toward the third heaven where El is with his angels. His intent was to raise his throne higher than the angels of El and the only thing higher than his angels is God himself!

Obviously he wasn't powerful enough to do this at that time, because if he was, **he wouldn't have been talking about it he would have already done it!** Which tells us that he knew **he wasn't powerful enough at this time in his existence to accomplish his coup**. It's obvious that the concept of power was on his mind, because of all his references to God as the Powerful One. He knew, indeed, that El Elyon was the most powerful being in the universe, more powerful than he and all the other angels. Gathering the 1/3 of the angels over to his side was to enlarge his power base, but there are other factors also.

So he embarked on a two-pronged approach. First, by amassing power for himself; and second, in the legal arena. The question is, “Does might make right?” Just because one has all the power doesn’t mean that one is just or qualified to rule, would go the argument, so he seeks to win the battle legally in the court of heaven. At the same time, he is working behind the scenes in secrecy make himself powerful enough to force God from the throne. **“So we’ll take our case to court and if we don’t win there, then we’ll force our way into the throne room by the clash of arms!”**

The reasoning of Satan is that El is more powerful than him, not because he is God the Creator, but because he had found some form of power in the universe that he had tapped into, so if he could find these energy fields or forces himself he could tap into them also, through some means, and become as strong or stronger than El. (The same idea is found in the New Age and the occult today). Where Lucifer thinks he can make himself a stronger being by tapping into some cosmic energy, strong enough to take on the most powerful El. In addition to that, the amassing to himself of an army of 1/3 of God’s angels would give him an army sufficient enough to take on the armies of God.

By him becoming more powerful by degrees, through tapping into various energy fields or force fields, (the origin of the heresy that the Holy Spirit is not a person, but a “force” in the universe), and by his army of angels growing more powerful in the same manner; he probably reasoned in his mind that even though his army is smaller than God’s and that he is not as powerful as God, but that through the occult sciences of tapping into various forces in the universe; he and his angels will acquire the power to topple God from his throne. **Perhaps the idea of crystals are in his thinking;** that in certain crystals certain powers of the universe are trapped there and by acquiring these crystals you can have the power. Remember that in the Jewish High Priest’s breastplate there were twelve stones, but in the covering of Lucifer in Ezek.28 there are only nine stones! Three of them are missing! The rationale of Lucifer could be as simple as, **“The reason why Yahweh is more powerful than me is because he gets his power from the twelve stones, and my limited power is due to having only nine stones. If I can get my hands on the remaining three stones I will be as powerful as God himself!”**

It goes back to the idea that Lucifer probably does not believe that Yahweh created him. He grants that El is more powerful than he is, but he reasons that El is a Being just as he is only he became more powerful than he did by learning to tap into these various forces of energy that are in the universe. He reasoned that after El did this he kept these concepts and the knowledge of these power sources to himself, lest anyone else discover them and become a rival to El for the control of the universe. **If Lucifer rejected the fact that Yahweh had created him, he then had to reason an explanation for his existence and for the fact that Yahweh was the ruler of the universe.**

So what Lucifer (Hellel) reasoned was that what he had to do was go throughout the universe and find out what energy sources there were, rocks, crystals, frequencies, cosmic energy, force fields, etc., and learn how to tap into them to increase his power. He knew that this would be done in stages over a long period of time, but by acquiring power from different sources he would grow in power to the point that he could challenge El and take

his throne by force. He had seen Yahweh create the heavens and the earth, but probably reasoned he had developed that ability to do so because he had tapped into cosmic energy power sources somewhere.

If he loses his court battle, (which he will), and if he failed to win over public opinion, (which he did, the 1/3 that sided with him did mean that the vote was 2/3 against him, a 2/3 majority), then all that is left for him is the force of arms, a scenario that has been played out on earth for eons by nation after nation.

But what Lucifer never figured on in his reasoning ability, the conclusion of reason that he never arrived at, and one that he certainly has never believed, is that Yahweh is not just extremely powerful, but that he is **all-powerful!** To him the idea of power is something that can be acquired, developed, making one more powerful. **He cannot fathom that there is one who already possesses all power! And this, of course, will be his final downfall when he goes against Yahweh in the final battle in heaven.**

5. *"I will sit enthroned"*

Again the qal future of *yashabh* is used to denote **the willful intent of Lucifer in this matter**. This is not something he desires to do, but something he has willingly chosen to do, along with the line that he has formulated a plan to make it happen.

The word, *yashabh*, can refer to the simple act of sitting, but here it means to sit upon a throne, as the NIV has accurately translated it as to *"sit enthroned"*. When the term, *sit*, was used of a king, or a god, it was always used for sitting on a throne, beside, the passage context has already denoted a throne.

The term *sitting* had a wide variety of meanings. One, while Job's friends sit on the ground, he sits on the ashes, thus contrasting their two fates. Two, *"Sitting at the gate"* spoke of a court session in a town. Three, *"Sitting in one's doorway"* would speak of one's hospitality. Sort of like an invite to come by and chat, or come in and visit. Four, *"Sitting down at the city gate"* spoke of enfranchised citizens, those who had legal say. Five, *"Sitting with the wicked"* showed that they had rejected the righteous. Six, *"Sitting in hiding"* meant that they preyed on others to attack them. Seven, *"Sitting in the land"* meant that one was no longer an alien, or a nomad, but held legal ownership to property in that land.

To sit on a throne meant that one now reigned over that country. To ascend, (go up), and sit on the Father's throne shows legal succession to ruling as king. To sit on one's throne in another place meant that the rule in that place would change and become the rule of the one who had his throne there. The throne goes with the country and the king with the throne. If one outside the country came in, he would depose both the king and his throne, and replace that throne with his own.

Lucifer planned to remove Elyon, his throne and his reign from heaven and replace it with his own throne and rule. But instead, Elyon placed his Son, Jesus Christ, on his

throne and made him both Lord and King of Kings. **One can only imagine, the anger, the bitter frustration and jealousy when he saw a man, a human placed on God's throne!** From that time on his rage and obsession to topple El from heaven became greatly intensified. **That's why the crucifixion, resurrection, ascension and the placing of Christ on Yahweh's throne marked the intensification of the angelic conflict, with it intensifying even more rapidly and greatly in the final years of the last days; and reaching its zenith of intensity during the seven years of the tribulation.**

Apparently there was a long-term strategy that Lucifer had because he didn't have the power to pull it off when he was devising it. He has had both successes and failures along the way. His biggest set back was Christ's resurrection, ascension into heaven and session at God's right hand. Converting 1/3 of the angels and most of the earth's population to his side were some of his major victories.

An interesting note, what did he plan to do with God and his throne? He couldn't kill him. Would he have banned him to a remote part of the universe? **We know what God has planned for him and that is to be thrown into the Lake of Fire, he and the angels that sided with him; and along with them all the unsaved of the earth.**

We know that Lucifer used and is still using secrecy and deception, not only in heaven but also on the earth. He does not want to be found out. The thing he fears the most is truth, for the truth brings light, that is, it reveals who he really is, what he is up to and what his methods are. As Paul wrote, *"In order that Satan might not outwit us. For we are not ignorant of his devices."* 2 Cor. 2:11.

Satan is not biding his time, or laying low waiting for the right opportunity, but planning, preparing, and building to "strike while the iron is hot". Everything that is going on in the world right now is building up to that right time for him. **All of this will come together when he has his new world order and his man on earth- the anti-christ.**

After having lost the vote in heaven, (the first attempt at democracy), after losing his court case and losing his bid for power by force when the angels of God war against him and he loses, thus being kicked out of heaven; he now comes down to earth with the thinking that he can defeat El on earth using it as a literal battleground. But God's "champion", the Lord Jesus Christ, will defeat him. **Actually the war on earth is the extension of the war in heaven. After Satan is defeated there, he comes down to the earth with Christ in hot pursuit to defeat him here!**

The concept of a "champion" came out of the "Wager of Battle". When there was a demandment and a tenant over the writ of right concerning property, the tenant can throw down the glove challenging the demandment to the wager of battle. Both chose their champions to fight for them, or in their stead, and all the tenant had to do for his cause to prevail was have his champion be able to stand until the stars came out at night. **We see in this Jesus Christ as God's champion, and the anti-christ as the devil's champion, the battleground is earth, and the battle, the battle of Armageddon.**

6. “On the mount of assembly”

We can assume that the **mount of assembly is in the third heaven**, but does it constitute the third heaven, or is but one part of the third heaven? That is, that the third heaven itself is but a vast place and located in it is a mountain referred to as the mount of assembly; the mountain where God dwells and the mountain at which all the angels of heaven assemble.

And is this the “*holy mountain of God*” referred to in [Ezekiel 28:14](#), and the “*mount of God*” referred to in [Ezekiel 28:16](#)? It appears that it is because if Lucifer’s heart had been lifted up in pride in connection with his beauty, and if his position as the guardian cherub was there on the holy mountain, which also was the mountain of assembly, and if God in his justice removed him from his position by demoting him down to the first heaven, thus casting him down off the sacred mountain, then what his thinking in his heart was concerning ascending to God’s throne on the mountain makes sense.

Here he was chastised, demoted removed from his high position in the angelic hierarchy and cast down to the first heaven. **Now in his disgruntled, fallen state he is scheming to storm the third heaven where Elyon dwells, and not only get back on that mountain, but to actually ascend above it higher than the rest of the angels to the place where Yahweh’s throne is.** This would definitely be the scenario for the “*war in heaven*” mentioned in [Rev. 12](#), where Michael and his angels fight against the devil and his angels. **Could it be that the reason that they are finally doing this at that time is because that at that time Lucifer actually tries to storm the mountain of God?**

Which brings in an interesting thought. **Could there be more than one demotion with Lucifer?** All focus is on that one concept where El says that he will be cast down to earth. But perhaps there are actually four demotions for Lucifer from God, each one following a major area of sin that Lucifer makes.

The first one would be upon his original sin of pride and whatever events took place around it. Such as, he could have been still holding his position as Guardian Cherub while he was going behind the scenes trying to sway the other angels over to his side; thereby creating discord among the brothers. In other words, it was his overt actions done covertly that would have been the basis for Elyon **casting him out of the third heaven down to the first.**

The second demotion would come in the **middle of the tribulation** where Lucifer, (now Satan), would be **cast out of heaven down to the earth.** This would follow the war in heaven, the overt action of Lucifer, by force, trying to take over the throne of God.

The third demotion of Lucifer would be when this heavenly battle now shifts to the earth and Lucifer, through the anti-christ, battles Jesus Christ on earth. It is then that he is **further cast down to be chained to the sides of the pit for one thousand years.**

The fourth and finale demotion of Lucifer would be when he is released from the pit at the end of the thousand years and goes forth once again to battle against God and his people. God will win this battle also and **Lucifer will receive his final demotion when he is cast into the Lake of Fire.**

Now the Hebrew word, *har*, means mountain, so we do have a mountain here in the third heaven. It is a holy or sacred mountain because Elyon dwells there. And it is called the mount of assembly because that's where Elyon has his angels assemble before him.

Ancient near Eastern thought viewed mountains as the places where deities dwelt, or the places where gods assembled, and were **viewed as the earthly counterparts to a heavenly phenomenon.** This thought carried over to the **placing of their temples on the top of mountains, and even to the building of man-made mountains called ziggurats or pyramids.** Even the raised platforms where kings placed their thrones manifested that same idea. The raised platforms being miniature mountains and their gods were present there with their king. Many of the temple/ mountains/ ziggurats had ascending steps one had to go up to reach the temple where their gods dwelt. **This also taught the idea they believed in that one could reach the state of deity by the ascending steps or degrees, as taught in freemasonry and the occult.**

So the ancient religions believed that their gods dwelt in heaven in their own temples on a mountain. And when they came down to earth they came down to their temples on the top of mountains. To worship these deities men would build temples on top of mountains. In areas where there were no mountains they built pyramids and put temples on top of them, as found all over the mid-east.

We do not know the **size** of the mount of assembly, only that **it must be enormous dwarfing anything in the world by comparison.** If the New Jerusalem is situated on top of it, and it is 1,500 miles long, wide and high, then its dimensions must be staggering.

As to its **purpose**, its purpose is revealed by its name, the mountain of assembling. As to **who assembles** there, it can only be the angels of the Highest El, El Elyon. As to **how often they assemble there**, one can only speculate. There could be set, prescribed times that all of the angels were to be there. And there would also be times that God called them there for a specific purpose, such as announcing something, or some other concept.

The word for assembly also has the idea of recurrence, something that occurs over and over. It also has the idea of having an appointed time and place for the assembly; it is the place where the assembly takes place; **the mount of assembly tells us that the assembling of the angels of God takes place on his mountain.** The word also has the idea of people, or an individual, being required to be at a specific place, at a specific time for a specific reason. Its earliest usage had the idea of a legal concept where one was legally bound to show up at a certain place at a certain time, and was also used for the military. Also found in it was the idea of threat, if one did not show up they would have to suffer the consequences.

There are two strong backgrounds for the word to assemble. One was the military and spoke of the muster of the troops in the morning. Like in our military where at 0800 all hands are required to be on deck, a certain place, for muster and roll call, for a certain reason. *Yaad* **looks at the aspect of the assembling** of the angels, and *moad* looks at the **place where they were to assemble**. In my squadron in the Navy all hands, except those who were legitimately excused, were to muster in at 0800 in the morning in the hangar for roll call and for the orders of the day (OOD). For us the hangar was the *moad*, the **place where we were to assemble**; the **reason** for our assembling would be **to get the orders of the day**, the *yaad*. For the angels of God their *moad* was God's holy mountain in the third heaven, the place where they assembled. A question we need to ask is, "Could the mountain of God be different than the ones that we find in nature here on earth, that is, a God-made structure with steps leading up to it?"

There was also the **legal side** to it, where as in today's scenario, an individual, under subpoena, would be required to show up, say, in courtroom A at 9:00am. We have both the legal and military ideas here with the angels of God, for they are his army and he does hold court as the ruler of the universe. **This tells us that his angels are required to show up for muster, to assemble at a certain time at a certain place, on his holy mountain.**

But there's more to it than assembling at a certain time at a certain place, and that's **assembling for a purpose!** In court it was to carry on legal business. In the military it was to give the troops the plan of the day. **In heaven the purpose for assembling the angels was to reveal to them the things he wants them to know and to tell them the things he wants them to know! It's to give them the Word of God and to reveal to them his will!**

In the idea of *moad* there is: one, those who are required to assemble; two, the place they are to assemble; three; the time they are to assemble; four, the purpose for their assembling and five, those who actually show up. One must not put too much emphasis on the place of assembling, even though *moad* refers to it. For there is a matter much more important than the place of assembling and that is the **purpose for assembling!**

Obviously all the angels were there at the assembly, (some refer to it as the angelic convocation), before the rebellion in heaven, **but do the rebel angels show up for assembly now?** Are they still required to show up? Or have they stopped assembling under the Word due to their arrogance and rebellion against the authority of God?

We see the angels in assembly in 1 Kings 22:19-22; it's the same picture that we find here in Isa. 14:13. The Lord is sitting on his throne with all the host of heaven standing around him on his right and left. And one of the angels, a fallen one, came before him and said that he would be a lying spirit in the mouths of all the false prophets. Yahweh wanted to lure Ahab into attacking Ramoth-Gilead and this fallen angel had an idea on how to do that. (Even in the Old Testament we see that false teachers are driven by demons).

The fact that Elyon was sitting and all the angels were standing is significant. It's also significant here that we have a **muster idea**; the assembling of troops before the Lord, for that's what the host of heaven means, the army of heaven. Then out of all these angels, one of them, who was standing there, walked forward and stood before the Lord to give him his idea of being a "*lying spirit*".

We have another look at this in Job 1:6, where it says, "*One day the angels came to present themselves before the Lord, and Satan also came with them*". And in Job 2:1, "*On another day the angels came to present themselves before the Lord, and Satan also came to present himself before him*".

We see that the angels of God are still assembling themselves before the Lord on his holy mountain. And we see that, at least some of the rebel angels, still show up there. Now as to whether they are required to show up there or not I don't know. What appears to be going on is that when they made their decision to side with Lucifer in his rebellion, they stopped assembling; they no longer showed up at "muster" as they were required to do. (They probably figured that because they were "gods" they didn't have to be under God!) We see that they still show up at assembly, but not in the sense of being under Elyon's authority; they cast that aside a long time ago, but for their own reasons.

It's like people in a local church; you have those who are still under the Word of God; they are still under his authority; they are still assembling at the prescribed place at the prescribed time for the purpose of getting Bible Doctrine. Then you have those who were there, but now no longer show up for assembly and the teaching of the Word of God. They have thrust aside God's Word and authority and are now doing their own thing. But once in awhile they show up for whatever reason. Perhaps out of curiosity, maybe to see what's going on, or just to parade their arrogance. In heaven the assembly is still going on with the angels of God still showing up like they're supposed to and at the same time the rebel angels show up among them for whatever the reason.

7. "*On the utmost heights of the sacred mountain*"

This whole passage is directed at the king of Babylon here on earth, but it is also a reference to Satan. Scriptures often have a double reference, as with David. Many things were said of the king, but they were also prophetic references to Christ. And that's what we have here a reference indirectly of Lucifer.

Now the word *yarkah* has the ideas of: the farthest parts, the extremities of something, the utmost recesses, the remotest regions in the earth. Tied to the word, *zaphon*, the north, it meant the farthest places in the north, or the most remote regions in the north, or the "heights of Zaphon". So what it's saying is that this sacred mountain is in the most remotest regions of the north. This is not a reference to Jerusalem or any other mountain in Israel. In concept we have only two concepts in view, Babylon or the third heaven.

We will take this from the concept of Babylon first. All pagan cultures believed that their deities lived on or in the mountains, and so did Babylon. Babylon held to the belief in

Aryanism; the same thing that the Nazis did under Hitler and the Thule society. And the mountains that the Babylonians believed that their deities lived in were the Himalayas of Tibet. Even today all the eastern religions have been shaped by those living in Tibet with the belief that their gods lived there in a mystical city called Shamballa. Certain parts of these religions teach that there were two races on earth, a race of sub-human creatures that were not Aryans, who were created by the serpent in the Garden who had sex with Eve, and that the other races of humans, the Aryans, were created by God. After the great flood the race of Adamic/Aryan/White humans came down off a valley in the Himalayas and journeyed down into the region of northern India. There they met opposition and hostility by the darker races, and have been battling ever since against them for survival and supremacy. This is a short treatment of the subject, but suffice it to say that their view of heaven, the place where the “gods” dwelt, was in the most remotest and highest region in the north, in the Himalayas. But what we have here is Lucifer referring to his intention to conquer Elyon’s throne in the third heaven.

The matter of a definite, fixed geographical location on earth probably refers to the place that the Hindus refer to as Kailasa, which lies north beyond the Himalayas. The reference to the clouds ties in with the idea that this sacred mountain was so high, (in the remotest parts of the Himalayas), that its summit, where the Hindu’s god dwelt, was above the clouds. Remotest parts, or recesses, is in the dual ending, which gives the idea of two parts or two mountain ranges branching out from this particular mountain, or it could refer to the two remotest parts of Zaphon.

So what we have, first of all, is a reference to a particular mountain north of Babylon that is beyond the Himalayas, a mountain so tall that the clouds usually obscure its peak. From this mountain it branches out into two ranges with a valley of some sort between them. (It is thought in some of their myths that this valley was the original Garden of Eden, which we know is untrue. The Garden of Eden was probably located in Aden in northern Africa). On this mountain a so-called deity or deities dwelt, (the Aryan god-men), who still have some control over the world. (I don’t believe this and the Bible doesn’t teach this; this is what they believe). **Their control over the world branches out from the Tibetan priests and the Hindu priests of India. From these two groups every form of occult; Babylon religious concepts flourish and influence the entire world.** From here also is the headwater of Aryanism, Nazism, Freemasonry, the New Age movement and all occult concepts. It is reported in Aryanism that the Aryan race sprung forth after the Flood to take over the world and ultimately was to usher in the New Age with its anti-christ. But it’s also a reference to Lucifer.

N. To Be Like God v.14

“I will ascend above the tops of the clouds; I will make myself like the most high.”
Isaiah 14:14.

1. *“I will ascend above the tops of the clouds”*

Galah is to ascend, to go up, to become strong, to overcome. ***Gabh*** was an architectural term referring to the steps one uses to go up on a porch or something, and it also meant clouds. ***Gal*** was used to denote above something or upon something.

We have more questions concerning this matter. Are his five “*I will*” statements five stages that Lucifer intends to conquer heaven by, or are they just five aspects of his overall plan? What is his understanding of “*to ascend*”, what does he mean by it? Is it just a reference to him going into the third heaven to conquer Elyon? **Or does it have the idea of degrees in it; the idea of him becoming a “god” by degrees, so that by the time he finishes the final degree he would be powerful enough to take Elyon on?**

Did he try this already at some point in time in the past? Or is it his plan for a point in time in the future when he thinks he has the sufficient means to pull it off? Where does he plan to mount his attack? Is it the first heaven, the second heaven, or from earth? If from earth, would this be his primary attack, or a secondary attack because the first one had failed? And why is the world so important to him anyway? We know he really doesn’t care about the people on it, so why is it important to him? Could it be the “wager of battle” concept where sides are taken to determine the victory? Could it be that he only wants the world to have people worship him and the other rebel angels under him as gods? Not just to bolster their egos, but to validate their claim to being “gods”? (Which they aren’t). Or could it be that he thinks that the combined negative powers of the unsaved people on earth could give him the added power that he needs to overcome God? Sort of like the harmonic convergence idea practiced by the New Agers.

Another interesting question is in the statement of Psalm 25:3 of, “*Who may ascend the hill of the Lord? Who may stand in his holy place?*” Is this a **prophetic rebuttal to Lucifer’s plan**? It appears that it is. Then there is Psalm 25:7, “*Lift up your heads, O you gates, lift them up you ancient doors, that the king of glory may come in*”. This appears to show itself as a statement of Christ’s victory over Lucifer (Phosporus).

This ascending that Lucifer wants to do is a very interesting concept, and perhaps more is in it than one would think. It does speak of a literal ascent, a going up into the heights where Elyon is, but it also implies something else. I think that what’s going on here is that **Lucifer is thinking of ascending the heights as a god!** Also implying that he will have completed, in his own thinking, all that is necessary in becoming a deity and when he has, then he will ascend to the heights where God is.

What has not been brought out is the concept of, “Will he actually try this at one time or another?” That is when he no longer is just thinking about it, or is planning to do it, but **where he actually tries to ascend to the throne of God!** This would be the epitome of brash arrogance mixed with tremendous power. For centuries OT Israel and the NT Church have known of what Lucifer’s intentions are toward the throne of the Almighty, that he wants it for himself, **but it has never entered into our minds that he would actually make a literal move toward than end.**

Picture, if you will, Lucifer finally moving upward with his army of fallen angels, 1/3 of the total number of angels in heaven, in an all out literal attempt to ascend Mt. Zion in heaven and remove Elyon from his throne! **Undoubtedly this would result in an all-out war in heaven, with the angels of God fully mobilized to stop the most bold, evil unthinkable concept ever imaginable.** This would not only be a war in heaven, but would probably be the war that Michael and his angels fight in as prophesied in Revelation 12, “*And there **became** a war in heaven*”.

The Church has studied about this war in heaven for centuries and has often **wondered if there was something that prompted it?** We know that Michael and his angels wage war against the devil and his angels, and that the devil loses and is cast down out of heaven to earth. So we wondered, is this just in the course of heavenly affairs, where God finally gets tired of them and decides to kick them out? **Or is it in response to a major event of some kind? That is, the war in heaven and the subsequent removal from heaven are the result of Lucifer trying to take the throne of heaven away from God?** This certainly seems to be the case, for thousands of years have gone by and Lucifer still has had access to heaven, **but if he made such a move as this; the unthinkable move of ascending God’s mountain to try to take it away from him, then all of heaven would mobilize against him over that, with the result that he would finally be kicked out of heaven!**

As I brought out earlier, there seems to be four demotions with Lucifer each one following a major area of sin against God. If Lucifer did mount an assault against God’s throne, (one can only picture this in one’s mind), then this would be the basis for his second demotion to earth.

Another word that prompts interest is *gabh*; the word that is translated for *clouds*, “*above the heights of the clouds*”. But it can also be translated as **steps** in an architectural context. The question is, “Is it clouds, or is it steps? I guess it depends on what is actually there on that holy mountain in the third heaven and what was going on in Lucifer’s mind? **If it were steps**, then it would tell us that **the Pavilion of God sits upon a mountain that is ascended by steps**. Where if one were to ascend the mountain of God he would have to walk up steps to the sanctuary of Yahweh and his throne. If this was the case, then Lucifer would be saying, “**I will ascend above the top of the steps**”.

You say it can’t be! Why not? Why couldn’t God’s throne have steps going up to it, and Lucifer’s throne have steps going up to it? Only in Lucifer’s throne there would be less steps. It certainly is logical that there are God-made steps going up to God’s throne, **in fact the whole mountain of God could be God-made! It could be that because there are steps leading up to the throne of Yahweh that Lucifer (Hellel) falsely concluded he could be a god in “steps”! He could have falsely concluded that Yahweh was only a certain number of “steps” above him! This certainly would explain all the step pyramids found all over the earth built by the people under Lucifer. Each step would be a degree on the way up to the temple on top, the place where the deity lived, the ages old lie that man can become a god in “steps” or degrees. Man got this idea from Lucifer and Lucifer had to have this idea originally in heaven!**

2. "I will make myself like the Most High"

Eddammah is in the hithpael future of *damah* and this is the only place where it is found in the Bible in this construction. It is both intensive and reflexive showing that the subject not only will be producing the action of the verb, but that he will be doing it to himself. And that whatever is involved in this will be intensive. Now the intensity of the action can involve the difficulty that is involved of whatever one is doing; the intensity of the effort one has to put out, or the intensity of the commitment of the will to accomplish it.

Whatever is involved in Lucifer's mind, in his attempt to make himself a god, (or so he thinks in his own mind); he knows that a great degree of effort and energy will be involved to do this, that it will take a period of time, and that he will have to overcome many obstacles in the process. He is completely focused on this one matter of making himself into a god. He knows that no one else can or will do it for him and that he has to do it for himself. If anyone stands in his way he is an enemy that must be dealt with.

The word, *damah*, "*I will make myself like*", means to be like, to look like, to put oneself on the same level as someone else. It has the idea of **comparison and imitation, also the idea of emulation with its idea of being equal to and exceeding the thing to which it compares itself**. Its Greek equivalent is *homoios*, to be like. But this has the idea of not patterning oneself after something or someone, but resembling something. For example, a son is like his father, because he came from his father. But the son may also look like another young man, but there is no family connection. So in this case we would say that he resembles him. One egg may look like another egg, that is resemble it, but not come from the same hen.

With Lucifer and El Elyon, Lucifer wants to be like God, to resemble him, but he is not Elyon's son, nor does he want to be. He only wants to be like him. The angels of God are called the sons of God, but not in the sense they are derived from him, as we are from our fathers, but in the sense that he created them. **The word *damah* shows that Lucifer has no family connection to God the Father, nor to Jesus Christ, as the Mormons, Masons, Jehovah's (False) Witnesses and the occultists teach.** Besides, the thing that Lucifer wants to be like, in regards to Yahweh's deity, is the matter of: power, glory, supremacy and rule! He wants to be the highest, most powerful being in the universe ruling over it and receiving the glory. It's too bad that he doesn't want to be like Elyon in his mercy, his love, his grace, his truth, his faithfulness, his justice, compassion, etc.. **Instead he wants the power, the glory, the supremacy, the worship and to be able to rule over everyone.**

This is what he wants to be like in regard to Elyon; he wants the power. He probably reasons that he already is a god, but without the power that Yahweh has. **But as soon as he thinks that he has the power he will make his move against the throne of God and try to topple God from his position. It will be then that he will find out that he doesn't have the power that he thought he had. He will have some power, but remember God is all-powerful!** But he thinks that once he has made it to the top, as far

as being a god is concerned, he will be able to put his throne on the holy mountain and rule the universe from there. Then he will have the power, glory and worship that he thinks he deserves. But he's got another think coming!! This is the worse of all pride and the thing that God will not allow. No one can compare himself to God; no one can make himself like God, and no one can try to take God's position in heaven- it's unthinkable! (Maybe he thinks that God derives his power from the throne he sits on, or the holy mountain! Not believing that God's power is intrinsic).

There are ancient myths outside the Bible in Ugarit and in South Arabia of the two "gods" of Shahar and Shalim, Dawn and Dusk, who were manifestations of the evening star, Attar. (Interesting that Shahar is very similar to Shachar, "*O, Lucifer, son of the dawn*", "*O, Hallel, son of Shachar*"). These were the two sons of El, who planned to rebel against him and overthrow him. They wanted to make themselves like him. The myths are not Biblical, but many ancient stories do parallel things taught in the Bible, such as the Flood, but without the accuracy.

We can determine what Lucifer's problem has been all along, and one that has adversely affected man ever since. **Lucifer wanted to make himself like God; he wanted to become a god also.** For Lucifer to think this and to attempt to do this tells us that he must have reasoned that he was "god" material, a lie that he introduced into humanity in the Garden of Eden and has perpetuated ever since. He reasoned that he was in the process of becoming a god and could finish the process and be a god. But the problem he had, in his own mind, was that the being called El Elyon stood in his way. **Like a rapidly spreading virus this thought inflamed his mind, the thought that he could become a god, but instead of transforming himself into being a god, he transformed himself into something he never was before- evil! And how many minds on earth have been transformed by this same lie, that they too can become gods?**

This is what Lucifer put before Adam and Eve in the Garden, that if they ate from the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil, they too would become gods like Elyon. Eve ate from the tree because she wanted to be a goddess and Adam ate of it also. Lucifer infected her mind with the same virus that infected his, the desire to become a god. And since then, Lucifer has been inflaming the minds of countless millions of people with the idea that they too can become gods.

Lucifer wants to be like Elyon, but only in reference to his power, rule, supremacy, glory and the matter of being worshipped. This is brought out again by the reference to God as El, meaning the Powerful One, and El Elyon as El the Highest El. The word El simply refers to the aspect of power. So El Elyon is El, the Powerful One, The Highest El, or the Highest and Most Powerful El. El Shaddai is El the All-Powerful One. Lucifer's mind has been captured by the ideas of power, rule and supremacy. And how many people on earth have also been captured by the prospect of power, of living in the limelight, of being number one? Look around in the town you live in and you will see countless examples. This seduction is as old as Lucifer himself. In fact, he's the author of it! **But what a contrast with Christ, though, who humbled himself, becoming lower than the angels, who obeyed the Father, even dying on the cross.**

The five “*I will*” statements by Lucifer (Hellel) are declarative and willful. His beauty had influenced him, that he too was an El, only not as powerful as El Elyon, the one and true God. So he concluded that he was going to have to become like El. But as we have seen was only interested in certain areas of deity, such as, power, glory, supremacy and rule. We know that for him it was going to have to be a self-help project, that he alone was going to have to do it, that it would take a period of time, and that it was going to be an intensive endeavor. **Once he had made up his mind, there was nothing and nobody, including Yahweh himself that was going to stand in his way.**

We don’t know how he intended to do this, perhaps he reasoned there was various energy sources in the universe that he could tap into that would give him the power he wanted and needed. **Perhaps he concluded that he could find the answer within through contemplation and meditation,** where through reason and observation he could come up with the secret to becoming a god. Interesting that Masonry refers to Lucifer as the god of reason, while Yahweh is known as the God of Truth.

But it was his ability to reason that got him into trouble in the first place because he had rejected the truth that God had given him. He reasoned, by virtue of his great beauty, that there had to be another reason for his existence other than what God had told him. **So, in his negative mental attitude toward revealed truth, he sought for another reason to explain his great beauty. And the one that he had come up with was that he was a god too and that El had been hiding this from him all along!** Basically this is the sum and substance of what he was trying to tell Adam and Eve in the Garden. He was relating to them what he reasoned his experiences with El were all about. **So it all goes back to believing or not believing what God says about our existence!**

Another point we have not covered is **did Yahweh give to Lucifer and the other angels the explanation for their existence?** Did God explain to them that he had brought them into existence by creating them? One can assume that he did, but it is an assumption because it is not stated in the Word that he did. Or was the concept there overtly without an over statement?

God doesn’t tell his creatures on earth today in an audible voice from heaven that he created them. The fact that things exist in their ordered form states the obvious. **If someone on earth on earth wants to inquire further into this matter concerning creation, he must of his own positive volition and initiative search into the written Word of God.** And there in the written Word of God they will find that God states that he created man and the earth. Perhaps it was the same way in heaven! Nothing is stated overtly and if the angels want to look further into the matter concerning the explanation for their existence, then they would have to study the “*Book of Truth*”!

Remember that man had existed on earth for over 2,000 years before Moses wrote down Genesis 1:1 where it says, “*In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth*”. There was no written record before this. One did have the oral traditions concerning the creation of Adam and Eve, and there was also, again, the observation of nature, if one

was willing to believe it. But whether it was by the observation of nature, or by receiving it from others, one would still have to accept the explanation for their existence by faith!

Could it be that this is how it worked with the angels in heaven millions, billions of years ago? Where Yahweh told them that he had created them? Or maybe he didn't tell them at one of their many angelic assemblies. Perhaps, instead, it was written down in one of the many scrolls in heaven, the scroll of divine history? **And there in some ancient scroll it revealed that Yahweh had brought them and the heavens into existence out of his omnipotence and for his own purpose. If an angel wished to inquire into this matter, he would have to look into these ancient scrolls.**

Remember that angels are not all knowing. There are many things that they do know, but there are things that they don't know. So, if they are to know them, how are they to find out the information? Either God has to tell them in person, or another angelic being has to tell them, or they have to look it up in the "Library of Heaven"! Maybe the second member of the Trinity that we refer to as Jesus Christ communicated the information on these things to them. As the Living Word of God he would be the one who communicated these things to them. **But they in turn still had to believe him!**

And another matter is we assume that God created all the angels at the same point in time; all of them brought into existence simultaneously. But what if he didn't? **What if they were brought into existence over a long period of time, and at different places in heaven?** What if say, Lucifer, was the first one that he had created, then later on the 24 elders, then after that the other angelic beings?

Perhaps believing Yahweh was never the issue, concerning the explanation for their existence, in the beginning. Perhaps at that time and for a long period of time they were just happy to be with God, to serve him and enjoy his presence as young children are with their parents. **But, as a part of their growth process, they were then given the explanation for their existence, which they had to accept by faith.** This might have been their first test of faith to see if they would believe God. For there was no way that their creation could be proven by empirical evidence.

One of the other concepts involved in this ancient problem is the second person of the Godhead, known as Jesus Christ today. What was Lucifer's relationship to him, if any? What was Lucifer's attitude toward him? And what did Lucifer think that Christ's relationship to him was? We know what the other angels think of Christ. They know him to be both Lord and God. But apparently Lucifer does not believe this.

It's interesting that in every instance, it is Lucifer's attitude and relationship toward God, whom we call the Father that is talked about in the scriptures. He wants to ascend to heaven; he wants to be like El, but says nothing about Jesus Christ. When Lucifer talks about God he always uses the word El, or El Elyon, which emphasizes the aspect of power, but never Yahweh. Why is that? This could be very significant because the El word group emphasizes power, while the Yah word group emphasizes self-existence, that is eternality, that this one possesses eternal existence and that he has always existed.

This is significant because when Lucifer looked at God and called him El he was recognizing that El was a Being of great power, even more powerful than he was, and that was what he wanted! He wanted to be like El; he wanted to have the power that El does; he wanted to be even more powerful than El! But he doesn't refer to him as the Eternal One. Probably because he didn't want to believe it, or he didn't reason it out in his own mind, or he didn't want to simply recognize him as the only One who had ever existed without a beginning. **To do so meant that he would have had to recognize him as the God, and that he had been created by him;** something that he did not want to do; and something that the Evolutionists today do not want to do.

Lucifer knew that his existence had begun at some time, at least in that place or dimension called heaven. He wasn't sure how it had begun, but that it had begun at least in that place. But he wouldn't and couldn't concede that El was eternal that he had always existed. Because if he did, he would have been conceding that El alone was the God, the creator of all things! He also would be admitting that he was only an angel, a celestial being, who had been created by El and that El was right all along in him being the creator of all things, including the angels, including him!

What Lucifer wanted to believe, and has been the foundation of his reasoning all along, is that El and the angels were all beings of the same kind, and all had been existing in that place or dimension called heaven for a long period of time, only with El being there longer than them. The assumptive reasoning would have been that El and all the other powerful beings that were there in heaven, were there in heaven, **but had not originated there, that they had come from some other place or dimension and all ended up there.** And so, in his thinking, if they were all beings of the same kind, then they were all "gods" in the making. And if they were all "gods" in the making, what right did this one Being, Yahweh, El to rule over them? He probably reasoned that because El had come to this place before any of them had, he had taken over the rule of it! So he planned to depose El from his throne and set up his throne to rule the universe.

So we see all this directed at the Father by Lucifer, **but what has been his attitude toward the second member of the Trinity Jesus Christ? Who did he think he was?** I don't think that Lucifer concluded in his thinking that the pre-incarnate Christ was God at all, probably due to his unique relationship to his angelic creation. All during this time the angels were companions of Christ, or associates of him, he probably only regarded Christ as one of them, another angel, or an angel in the process of becoming a "god".

This is where Lucifer began to form his own explanation for things, through the process of the reasoning of his mind, that Jesus was his brother, a brother angel if you will. He reasoned that if El wasn't the Creator God who made him, and then neither was Christ God. His thinking was that they were all the same Beings of power who were evolving into gods. **This is where the lie originated that denies the deity of Christ saying that Christ and Lucifer were brothers.**

All we have to do to find where a concept comes from is trace it back through time to its source. For example, rock and roll exist today, but it didn't begin today. We can trace its roots back to the nineties, the eighties, the seventies, the sixties, the fifties with Bill Haley and the Comets, Jerry Lee Lewis, Elvis Presley, etc.. We can trace it further back to rhythm and blues of the black culture and on back to West Africa to the slaves who brought it over with them to the States.

In society today there are certain teachings found in certain groups, such as freemasonry, the occult, eastern religions, the new age movement, and Masonic "church" front organizations known as Mormonism and the Jehovah's (False) Witnesses. **False teachings, such as man can evolve into deity, and that Jesus and Lucifer were brothers, with Lucifer being the oldest brother.** As we investigate we find that these two teachings are taught by English Freemasonry, Scottish Rite Freemasonry and Grand orient Freemasonry and that they date back to ancient times.

Concerning **Mormonism**, they believe that Jesus and Lucifer were brothers, and that man can become a god and have his own planet. But no wonder when virtually all of the founding fathers of Mormonism were Freemasons. Freemason was the corruption of the French word freres for brother, so it means brother mason. Concerning the **Jehovah's (False) Witnesses**, they too believe that Jesus and Lucifer were brothers before Christ's incarnate state. And no wonder again for the founder of the Witness group was Charles Taze Russell who was a mason! Both of these groups, whether they know it or not, or will admit to it or not, hold to Luciferian doctrines. **Their doctrines are not biblical, but Masonic, and they are not churches, but in reality Masonic lodges!**

If we traced these groups back we would find a continuity that goes back to ancient Rome, Greece, Egypt, the Kabala, all the way back to ancient Babylon the mother of the secret societies and all the pagan religions and societies on earth. We even find it in the Garden when the serpent beguiled the woman.

As we look into the various false teachings of these groups we have to ask, "When did these teachings begin? Where did they originate? Who began them?" We know that they are found in the Mormon "church" and in the Jehovah's (False) Witness group, but did these people begin them? The answer is no! These teachings were there because their leaders taught them. But did these teachings begin with their leaders? The answer is no again. They had learned of them because of their involvement in Freemasonry. But did they originate in present day Freemasonry? They did in our time, but English Freemasonry got them from ancient Masonic and Mystery religion teachings. But did they originate in these ancient systems? The answer is no again! **They originated in the ancient Mystery Religion of Babylon under Nimrod and his father Cush.**

In 1717 English Freemasonry went on record stating that English Freemasonry was rooted in Babylon and that its founder was Nimrod! The Tree of Babylon that was cut down, but its fruit scattered in Daniel 4:14, is a reference to the nation of the source of the Mystery Religion of Babylon, under the priests, was destroyed, but the fruit, that is, the

system, the priests and the teachings of Babylon's Mystery Religion were scattered all over the world.

But did it originate with Babylon and Nimrod on this side of the flood? Some of the ancient writings of the adherents of the Mystery said that it did. **They said that a Celestial Being visited Cush, (they called the "Peacock Angel"), who instructed Cush in these secrets.** This luminescent one, this bearer of light instructed Cush about the two "gods" and about man evolving into gods. But the ancient Egyptian priests, who also conveyed this information to Plato, (who wrote about the lost continent of Atlantis), talked about Poseidon, one of the ten "gods" who lived on earth before the flood. It was these ten "gods" who ruled over Atlantis, which was thought to be three continents and seven islands. They were said to be giants who ruled harmoniously on the earth, until they turned to sinful conduct. As the result, their lands sunk under the ocean and they were all destroyed. Since then Freemasonry has been trying to revive this ancient system on earth with ten kings ruling over it. In fact, what they are trying to do today is patterned after this old system. Very much like we see with the ten kings of the Last Days. **(By the way, the Club of Rome has already divided up the world's landmass into ten kingdoms.** Some may call them regions, but region is related to the Latin word *rego*, which is related to the Latin word *rex*, the word for king). But all this originally goes back to Lucifer in the Garden of Eden.

So we know, by continuity of thought, by the record of thousands of years, and by their statements that these concepts originated here on earth with the fallen angel Lucifer. And although there are variations in the false teachings in each of the systems there are two things that are found: **one** that they believe that man can evolve into being a god, and **two**, that Jesus and Lucifer were brothers. This is bed rocked by the statement Lucifer made to the woman in the Garden when he said that God didn't want them to eat the fruit of the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil, because if they did their eyes would be opened and they would become like God knowing good and evil. Genesis 3:5.

And like mentioned before, Lucifer reasoned by learning some secret knowledge, or perhaps by finding some object in the universe he could become a god. **For the man and the woman in the Garden Lucifer reasoned that the object for them was the fruit of the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil, and if they ate it, they would become gods.** And that the reason why God did not want them to eat it is because he didn't want them to be in competition with him.

Lucifer's words to the original couple in the Garden reflected his original problem with the Lord. He was under the delusion that he could become a god, and that El was standing in the way for his self-fulfillment, exactly the same lie that has been infused into the American society among women through the "women's lib movement". Since the fall of the man and the woman in the Garden God has established the place of the woman in the home, but Satan comes along and says that God is trying to ruin your fun, to stop you from self-fulfillment, to keep you from being all that you can be. He puts in their minds the ideas of: get a career, make money, your own money, have things, lots of things, leave home, you don't need a man, the kids don't need a father, throw off the chains of

those male chauvinists and their chauvinistic God; in fact, destroy everything related to this God, his principles, his Laws and his Word, realize your own potential as a woman, and now you're on your way to being a "goddess"!

We see that these ideas originated on earth in the Garden with Lucifer when he came to the woman; ideas that he held to long before that. Lucifer started a system of thinking and acting here on earth directly opposite to everything that God wanted done because of his great hatred of God. The reason why is that he wanted to become a God, thought that he could become a God and that it was God who was standing in his way. He thought that it was Yahweh who was stopping him from realizing his full potential, that it was God who was holding him back from what he thought his destiny was! And because of that his hatred for God knew no bounds.

We see his hatred of God manifested today in our schools that have kicked God, his Son and his Word out; they won't even let the children talk to God in prayer. They have kicked God out of our courtrooms, out of the government, out of businesses; even "churches" have kicked the God of the Bible out of them! Every principle that God has established on earth and in America Satan has been feverishly working in his great rage to abolish, and the "Women's lib movement" is but just one of them.

And so we have seen heaven and earth divided into two groups, those who believe God and are content to be what he has made them, and those who don't believe God and are not content with what he has made them. You see if you obey God it shows that you believe that he is God and you're not. If you disobey him, you reject his place as God and ruler of the universe and make yourself a god. One group lives by faith in the Word; the other side rejects faith and lives by their own reasoning, their own viewpoint.

So what we have is Lucifer, the rebel angel, on the holy mountain of assembly, with his heart being lifted up in pride, thinking higher of himself than he was. And it was due to this, and/or some overt activity connected with it, or covertly trying to get the angels to side with him against Yahweh, that **he was subsequently removed from his position on the mountain and demoted down to the first heaven.** He still had access to the third heaven, but not in the sense of when he had a position there. He was now just another one of God's angelic creatures, and one that, at that time, was under legal proceedings; not one of the privileged members of God's government that he was before.

It was here, now, in the first heaven that we see his pride motivating him toward jealousy, anger and revenge tactics. He wants to be like God now. He wants to be as big as God, as powerful as God, as high as God, to rule like God, to have the glory that God does; **he wants to rule the universe! So now he schemes at how to get it.** He doesn't want to just be like God; he is totally committed to becoming God and throwing God down from his position. He probably sees God, El Elyon, as no different than himself, just another powerful Being out of many other powerful Beings in heaven; the only difference to him is that El Elyon holds the highest position on the top of the mountain and he reasons that that is what makes him God. To Lucifer the issue is power.

Elohim creates the earth and puts man on it, so Lucifer goes down to the earth. He is already in his fallen state at this time. And there he feeds the same lie to the woman that he has believed, that God is keeping something from them, that they too can become gods, only El won't let them. So the first couple believed the words of this fallen angel and acted on them, and thereby joined the ranks of those who rebelled against God in heaven. Man now is kicked out of the Garden of Eden and begins a race of people on the earth who are also in rebellion against Yahweh. **Remember, the principle of sin didn't begin on earth; it began in the heavens with Satan!**

Not much is known from Adam to the Flood. We have the biblical account, but it doesn't go into much detail about the people living on earth during that time. We have the accounts of ancient history, but they are not reliable. But briefly what we can piece together is that there were two groups of people on earth after Adam's fall to the Flood; those who believed God and obeyed him and those who didn't.

According to esoteric writings man was able to attain to a high degree of intelligence and accomplishments. This was due to their **longevity of life**, 800-1,000 years, enabling their knowledge to grow at an exponential rate, the primitive condition of their environment that produced the **most excellent of foods**, and that the **"gods", daimones, visited them periodically and gave them scientific advancements and technological breakthroughs**. So, according to their traditions, man developed to a highly civilized state in this Golden Age under the kingdoms of Atlantis, named after Atlas one of their kings. As I mentioned before, Atlantis was comprised of 10 kingdoms in 10 different areas ruled over by 10 kings. These 10 kings were called "gods" and were said to be the product of these "gods", (the daimones), making them "sons of gods", who came to visit them periodically. It is said that this union of "gods" and women produced a hybrid race of giants on earth, the mythological creatures of old. Perhaps the Rephaim, the giants mentioned in the Bible, refers to them. Skeletal remains of men ten feet tall have been found in Palestine, and Og, king of Bashan, had a bed of iron approximately 18 feet long and 8 feet wide.

After God destroyed all in the flood, except the eight, it was said that the Peacock Angel, called Lucifer, appeared to Cush and gave him many secrets about life, things in general, the universe, about evolving into deity and had Cush set up a mystery system to get men to worship him and lead them down the false path of evolving into deity. **It was Cush and his son Nimrod who then founded the first civilization, the first cities, the first kingdoms and the first temple and banking system this side of the Flood. They founded the first international government on earth and they also founded the first religious system that was in opposition to God, named after their city, Babylon.**

To get men to join him he offered them money, power, security, glory, fame, lust gratification, and oppression and death if they didn't! He used sensual inducements and tyranny to influence men away from the patriarchal system of worshipping Yahweh. In fact, the word and idea of tyranny originated with Nimrod. When Shem and the others heard that he had started a false worship system that was not directed toward Yahweh, they went after Nimrod, captured him and brought him before a tribunal of 72 men,

according to various writings of ancient history. He was tried, found guilty and executed, with his body cut into fourteen parts to be shipped back to each of the districts under his dominion, except one part was thrown into the sea.

From that time on the Babylonian system went underground, both literally and figuratively, literally in caves, tombs, hidden places, and figuratively with their allegories and hidden meanings of words and symbols, operating as a secret society for fear that it could happen again. They worshipped the “Hidden God” in secret, who has now been revealed as Lucifer.

As worshippers of Lucifer, their goal is to destroy everything related to the true God, Yahweh, his Laws, his viewpoint, his norms, his institutions of nationhood, marriage, family, privacy and freedom and Christianity, and to establish Lucifer’s rule on earth under the pattern of government of Poseidon over Atlantis. They think that this was the most perfect form of government that ever existed on earth. Of course they will have to get rid of nationalism, private property, the family, freedom, privacy, the church and everything else that God has established. The vehicle that they are using to accomplish this is the U.N. and international law. It’s no coincidence that the end time government of the Tribulation will be of 10 kings ruling over 10 kingdoms. The Masonic Atlantis is the pattern for this. **In fact, the Club of Rome has already divided the world up into 10 kingdoms; they already exist!**

The secret societies of Lucifer split into two camps in the medieval ages between English and French Freemasonry, but along came America in the 1700’s. Even though America had been started by Christians and the very first form of government on these shores was a Christian government in the Mayflower Compact, the Masons came swarming to these shores believing that this was the nation that their god was going to use to bring about the final world order of a government patterned after Atlantis **ruled over by ten kings with one king over them**. Masons came to these shores inflamed by the idea that this was the place that would heal the rift between English and French Freemasonry; the place that would bring about universal peace and the final government of the New World Order, thus bring an end to wars and all human suffering. And it was with this great zeal that they slaughtered the indigenous natives that lived here.

Lucifer has convinced himself that he is a god; he has convinced 1/3 of God’s angels that he is a god; and has convinced billions of people that he is a god- but he isn’t! The issue is do we believe God, or do we believe Lucifer? Those who believe God will be with him forever in eternal peace and happiness. Those who believe the lie of Lucifer will be with him and his angels for eternity also- but burning in the Lake of Fire! One does not have to go that route, though; one can be saved from eternal death with this rebel angel by believing on the Lord Jesus Christ as your Savior. You must believe that Jesus is God’s only begotten Son, that he became a man, lived the perfect life that God required, died on the cross for all your sins, went down into Hell for three days and nights, was raised up from Hell and given a resurrection body, ascended back into Heaven where he is seated at the right hand of God the Father and will forgive all your sins and guarantee you a resurrection body where

you can live in the presence of He and his Father for all eternity, if you will place your complete faith and trust in him as your Lord and Savior. *“Believe on the Lord Jesus and you will be saved”*, Acts 16:31. And express your faith in him by prayer, *“That if you confess with your mouth, ‘Jesus is Lord’, and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved.* Romans 10: 9,10. *“For, ‘everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved’”*. Romans 10:13.