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Witchcraft/Part 2



“Legends of History”

Series on Angels & Demons-Greek Mythology story of the 7-Sisters of the Underworld [Testament of Solomon]

Text; Matthew 12:43-45

“When the unclean spirit is gone out of a man, he walks through dry places, seeking rest, and finds none. Then he says, I will return to my house from whence I came out; and when he is come, he finds it empty, swept, and garnished. Then goes he, and takes with himself **seven other spirits** more wicked than himself, and they enter in and dwell there: and the last state of that man is worse than the first. Even so shall it be also to this wicked generation.” Matt. 12:43-45 KJV



1. Deception



1. Deception (strongman; lying spirit)

And there came forth a spirit, and stood before the LORD, and said, I will persuade him. And the LORD said to him, Wherewith? And he said, I will go forth, and I will be a lying spirit in the mouth of all his prophets. And he said, thou shalt persuade him, and prevail also: go forth, and do so (1 Kings 22:21-22).

Even him, who's coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders, and with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved. And for this cause (reason) God shall send them strong (powerful) delusion, that they should believe a lie: that they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness (2 Thessalonians 2:9-12),

Deception- (strongman; lying spirit)

Action: I deceive & weave snares here & there, I whet (sharpen) & excite heresies.

e.g. lays traps for believers & tries to get them off the righteous path-tricking or tempting them into sin.

Response: Behold, I give to you power (authority) to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power (authority) of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you (Luke 10:19).

2. Strife



2. Strife (strongman is Jealousy)

Hatred stirs up strife's: but love covers all sins (Proverbs 10:12).

e.g. strife uses the hardest things on earth as a metaphor that believers may find themselves going through because of her. This spirit declares these hard properties are her weapons & she's not shy to say so.

Action: I bring timber stones, hangs my weapons on the spot.

Response:

Beloved, think it not strange concerning the **fiery trial** which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened to you: but rejoice, inasmuch as you are **partakers of Christ's sufferings**; that, **when his glory shall be revealed**, you may be glad also with exceeding joy. If you be reproached for the name of Christ, happy are you; for the spirit of glory and of God rests upon you: on their part he is evil spoken of, but on your part, he is glorified. But let **none of you suffer as a murderer, or as a thief, or as an evildoer, or as a busybody in other men's matters**. Yet if any man suffers as a Christian, let him not be ashamed; but let him glorify God on this behalf. For the time is come that judgment must begin at the house of God: and if it first begins at us, what shall the end be of them that obey not the gospel of God? And if the righteous scarcely be saved, where shall the ungodly and the sinner appear? (1 Peter 4:12-14, 18)

7. *Glothod (Zattle)*



3. Battle

She also lies in wait as for a prey, and increases the transgressors among men. Who has woe? who has sorrow? who has contentions? who has babbling? who has wounds without cause? who has redness of eyes (Proverbs 23:28-29)?

e.g. she incites within mankind the will to fight regardless of how mild their temper maybe.

Action: I cause the well-behaved to scatter & fall foul one of the other.

Response:

Who is a wise man and endued with knowledge among you? let him shew out of a good conversation his works with meekness of wisdom. But if you have bitter envying and strife in your hearts, glory not, and lie not against the truth. This wisdom descends not from above, but is earthly, sensual, devilish. For where envying and strife is, there is confusion and every evil work. But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be intreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy. And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace of them that make peace (James 3:13-18).



4. Jealousy



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And the spirit of jealousy come upon him, and he be jealous of his wife, and she be defiled: or if the spirit of jealousy come upon him, and he be jealous of his wife, and she be not defiled or when feelings of jealousy come over a man because he suspects his wife. The priest is to have her stand before the LORD and is to apply this entire law to her (Numbers 5:14, 30).

e.g. she seeks here to show Solomon (and us) that as jealousy she can drive a wedge between any relationship.

Action: as a result of her meddling strife finds it easier to strike as she makes the human suffer for jealousy.

Response: And walk in the way of love, just as Christ also has loved us, and has given himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet-smelling savor or fragrant offering and sacrifice to God (Ephesians 5:2 KJV, NIV). Charity (love) suffers long, and is kind; charity (love) envies not; charity (love) vaunted (boasts) not itself, is not (proud) puffed up, does not behave itself unseemly, seeks not her own, is not easily provoked, thinks no evil; rejoices not in iniquity, but rejoices in the truth; bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Charity (love) never fails (1 Corinthians 13:4-8a)



5. Power



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By power I raise up tyrants & tear down kings to all rebels I furnish power.

e.g. again, she's pretty easy to read given the nature of what power is. She's able to bolster up (ability to cause to act) those who would do her bidding as tyrants but is also keen to tear down kings implying that she wants tyranny (authority) & she wants rulers who would do bad in her name. She's also keen to furnish power within rebels possibly those that rebel against God & seeks to tear down others & their faith.

Action: I cause men to forget their sobriety & moderation. I part them & split them into parties for strife follows me hand in hand. I tear the husband from the sharer of his bed & children from parents & brothers from sisters.

Response: And walk in love, as Christ also has loved us, and has given himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet-smelling savor (fragrant offering) (Ephesians 5:2).

6. Error



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We are of God: he that knows God hears us; he that is not of God hears not us. Hereby know we the spirit of truth, and the spirit of error (1 John 4:6).

e.g. here we see error take responsibility for the death of Solomon's brother Adonijah who Solomon had killed in a dispute for the rulership in (1 Kings 2:23-25). It position's error in a position of power over Solomon in that it is implied she had already manipulated him once before much as she manipulated man to make grievous mistakes it would also imply that Solomon was wrong for killing his brother & that perhaps he had mistaken his brother's intentions to take the throne for himself. Here error plants the seed of doubt in Solomon's mind & she might very well be the only spirit of the 7-sisters who gets him to second guess himself. She also tells him that she will lead him to make error again & that she will also do this to many other men that is her duty.

Action: I will make thee to error as I have before made thee to error when I caused thee to slay thine own brother. I will lead you into error so as to pry into graves & teach them that dig & I lead errant souls away from all piety & many other evil traits are mine.

Response: Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me, restore to me the joy of your salvation; and uphold me with your free spirit. Then will I teach transgressors your ways; and sinners shall be converted to you (Psalms 51:10-13).



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7. Elusive (Subtle) Un-named One

The same hour was the thing fulfilled upon Nebuchadnezzar: and he was driven from men, and did eat grass as oxen, and his body was wet with the dew of heaven, till his hairs were grown like eagles' feathers, and his nails like birds' claws (Daniel 4:33).

e.g. here we see the 7th spirit threaten Solomon (and us) as she will make him worse off than what he was before & that she will impose on him the bonds of Artemis while this isn't explained, it is possible that the 7th spirit is referring to the (Greek) mythology whereby Artemis turns men into animals like she does with the hunter Arcturus who stumbles upon her bathing naked. Artemis turns this innocent hunter into a stag & sets Artemis's own dogs upon him in vengeance. Of course, this is just one of an unsubstantiated ideas. She says that the locusts will set her free for what is fated; that Solomon will achieve her desire and we do see Solomon sacrificing 5 locusts to foreign gods at the end of the Testament as he turns against God in an effort to sleep with a pagan woman. She also warns that wise men would not even try & mess with her for if they do, they will meet terrible fate. For given the words of Solomon it just goes to show how formidable the 7th spirit is for not even he is able to defeat her in the end.

Action: But the locusts will set me free for by means thereof were fated that you shall achieve my desire for if one were wise, he would not turn his steps towards me.

Response: Flee also youthful lusts: but follow righteousness, faith, charity, peace, with them that call on the Lord out of a pure heart (2 Timothy 2:22). Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you (James 4:7). Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour (1 Peter 5:8).