

# Bereans Bible Institute Module IV

## Lesson 2, The "Original" Destiny & the Original "Lie"

1. Many Scriptures CONTRAST the FINAL END of the wicked vs. the righteous.
  - A. Psalm 37:9-11
  - B. Mal. 4:1-3
  - C. John 3:16
  - D. Rom. 6:21-23
2. Start at the Beginning WITHOUT presuppositions: The ORIGINAL Destiny of Man
  - A. Genesis 1:26 – 2:17
    1. To live forever in the "Paradise" that God planted for mankind, by continually eating from the Tree of Life (2:9,16; 3:22-24).
    2. To "Tend" (2:15) this "Paradise" by exercising dominion (1:26-28) over all the earth and its creatures. (What does "dominion" mean? Animals must obey man).
      - a. Did God give man dominion over the whole universe? (1:14-19)
      - b. Angels have dominion over the heavens (Rev. 12:3-9)
  - B. Two passages that provide commentary on this:
    1. Psalm 8:4-8
    2. Hebrews 2:5-10 Paul places the original destiny restored in the future.
3. The ORIGINAL Lie
  - A. "Then the serpent said to the woman, 'You will not surely die. For God knows that in the day you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.'" (Gen 3:4-5).
    1. First Lie – You are "IMMORTAL." Modern preachers: "Man has an 'immortal soul' that will live forever in heaven or hell." (You will not surely die).
      - a. God alone possesses immortality (1 Tim. 6:16)
    2. Second Lie – You can be MORE than what God said (sowed dissatisfaction with their situation and assigned destiny); ascend to God's domain. (You will be as gods).
      - b. "No one has ascended to heaven but He who came down from heaven, that is, the Son of Man who is in heaven." (John 3:13)
4. Satan's & Fallen Angel's Fatal Flaw (Pride, arrogance, dissatisfaction with assigned destiny)
  - A. "12 How you are fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! How you are cut down to the ground, You who weakened the nations! 13 For you have said in your heart: 'I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God; I will also sit on the mount of the congregation on the farthest sides of the north; 14 I will ascend above the heights of the clouds, I will be like the Most High.'" (Isaiah 14:12-14)
  - B. "2 A bishop then must be blameless, ... 6 not a novice, lest being puffed up with pride he fall into the same condemnation as the devil." (1 Tim 3:5-7)
  - C. "6 And angels, those not having guarded their personal dominion, 5 but having abandoned their own domain, 6 He has placed under guard 7 in enduring confinement 8 under gloom for judgment of the great Day." ... "Yet, Michael the arch-angel, when disputing with the devil about the body of Moses, 10 dared not to bring an allegation of blasphemy, but said, "May the Master rebuke you." (Jude 1:6, 9 LGV)
5. Adam & Eve started out with "eternal life" in "Paradise." Ended up EXILED from "Paradise" and destined for DEATH.