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I was reflecting on the impact Christian television has had on the perceptions of non-Christians about the credibility of our faith when I started humming the tune to that song, "Day Star Shine Down On Me." That may not be the correct title, because I wasn't able to find the lyrics online. (I didn't search very long.) While looking for them, though, I stumbled across a link to Isaiah 14:12. I clicked on it and then one thing led to another. I think you'll appreciate knowing what I learned from just a few minutes of online research, so here goes:

★ "How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer<sup>H-1966</sup>, son of the morning<sup>fn</sup>! [how] art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations!" —Isaiah 14:12 [KJV & NKJV]

<sup>H-1966</sup> *shining one, morning star<sup>fn</sup>, Lucifer*

<sup>fn</sup> *Literal translation: "Day Star"*

★ "How you are fallen from heaven, O shining star, son of the morning! You have been thrown down to the earth, you who destroyed the nations of the world!" —Isaiah 14:12 [NLT]

★ "How you have fallen from heaven, morning star, son of the dawn! You have been cast down to the earth, you who once laid low the nations!" —Isaiah 14:12 [NIV]

★ "How you are fallen from heaven, O **Day Star**, son of Dawn! How you are cut down to the ground, you who laid the nations low!" —Isaiah 14:12 [ESV]

★ "How you have fallen from heaven, O star of the morning, son of the dawn! You have been cut down to the earth, You who have weakened the nations!" —Isaiah 14:12 [NASB]

★ "How you are fallen from heaven, O **Day Star**, son of Dawn! How you are cut down to the ground, you who laid the nations low!" —Isaiah 14:12 [RSV]

★ "How art thou fallen from heaven, **O day-star**, son of the morning! how art thou cut down to the ground, that didst lay low the nations!" —Isaiah 14:12 [ASV]

★ "How hast thou fallen from the heavens, O shining one, son of the dawn! Thou hast been cut down to earth, O weakener of nations." —Isaiah 14:12 [YLT]

★ "How art thou fallen from heaven, Lucifer, son of the morning! Thou art cut down to the ground, that didst prostrate the nations!" —Isaiah 14:12 [DBY]

★ "How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! *how* art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations!" —Isaiah 14:12 [WEB]

★ "How you are fallen from heaven, Heylel, son of the morning! How you are cut down to the ground, who laid the nations low!" —Isaiah 14:12 [HNV]

That certainly confirmed some of my notions about the relative value of Christian television—but then I learned that there's debate! How'd I learn that? From a family member who found it on an Internet Blog site. I haven't taken the time to look at that site yet...perhaps you'll find it. Anyhow, here's my understanding of the essence of the debate:

**In defense of the name, "Day Star"—**

Oh! That's true; but when Satan fell from Heaven, Jesus took over that wonderful name! So we Christians are free to use it as a righteous banner for our precious Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. (Sounds *religious* enough: doesn't it?)

**In opposition to the name, "Day Star"—**

Oh! So Satan has already fallen from Heaven; huh? So then, using that logic, Jesus had already been physically tortured when the same Old Testament author wrote this about Him: "But he [was] wounded for our transgressions, [he was] bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace [was] upon him; and with his stripes we are healed," at Isaiah 53:5!

Finally this—for those who'd like to know: The archangel, Michael, and his host will boot Satan out of Heaven at the sixth Trump, the sixth Vial and the sixth Seal:

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→ "And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels, and prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven. And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him. And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night. And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death. Therefore rejoice, ye heavens, and ye that dwell in them. Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and of the sea! for the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time." —Revelation 12:7-12

Here's some critical additional insight:

1. Satan resides in Heaven TODAY—with easy access to God's throne room. He couldn't be our "accuser," today, if that weren't the case [Revelation 12:10]:
  - ✓ "Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour" —1 Peter 5:8
2. Satan's "prosecutor" role has not changed since Old Testament times. (Jesus serves as our advocate; our "defense attorney.") Doubt it? Remember that fireside chat between God and Satan in the first chapter of Job? Here's the essence of their Job 1:7-12 dialog:
  - God: "Whence comest thou?"
  - Satan: "From going to and fro in the earth, and from walking up and down in it."
  - God: "Hast thou considered my servant Job, that there is none like him in the earth, a perfect and an upright man, one that feareth God, and escheweth evil?"
  - Satan: "Doth Job fear God for nought? Hast not thou made an hedge about him, and about his house, and about all that he hath on every side? thou hast blessed the work of his hands, and his substance is increased in the land. But put forth thine hand now, and touch all that he hath, and he will curse thee to thy face."
  - God: "Behold, all that he hath is in thy power; only upon himself put not forth thine hand. So Satan went forth from the presence of the LORD."
3. The archangel, Michael, currently "letteth" Satan continue to reside in Heaven with regular access to God's throne room:
  - ✓ "For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he [*i.e.: Michael*] who now letteth will let, until he [*i.e.: Satan, a.k.a. Day Star*] be taken out of the way." —Paul, at 2 Thessalonians 2:7  
[All bracketed and italicized text within Scripture quotes within this article is mine.]

I know, some folk are probably hearing (reading) about this for the very first time. That's because those who heap unto themselves end-time prophecy "experts" my NOT have noticed that those teachers consistently try to steer clear of the chapter two texts of 2 Thessalonians. Why? The sensible interpretation of that Scripture is not "religiously correct;" it flies in the face of their enormously popular end-time fables. (If you know how "political correctness" works, then you can also understand how "religious correctness" works.)


Paul wrote 2 Thessalonians chapter two because some of the church people at Thessalonica thought they had missed Christ's return to gather the Saints. What had confused them? The text of chapters four and five of 1 Thessalonians is still confusing the uninformed and misinformed today, so that was the likely 1st-Century culprit, too.

Want personal confirmation about why our pied-piper prophecy pundits purposely preclude 2 Thessalonians 2:1-12 in their preaching and teaching? Read that in your own Bible, as-if-no-one-had-ever-explained-what-it-means. After you've done that, grab a pen and paper and write out YOUR paraphrase of it.

—TC Newsome 

PS: Comments? Questions? Scriptural rebuttals? They're all welcome! <https://www.link1.info/contact-us>.

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