

John on four occasions calls Jesus the "only begotten Son" of God. This identifies His position in heaven as the "Son of God".

"**Jesus said** unto them, If God were your Father, ye would love me: for **I proceeded forth and came from God**; neither came I of myself, but he sent me." John 8:42.

"**In him** [the Word] **was life**; and the life was the light of men." John 1:4.

"Therefore doth my Father love me, because I lay down my life, that I might take it again. No man taketh it from me, but I lay it down of myself. **I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again.** This commandment have I received of my Father." John 10:17, 18.

So Jesus came into being by proceeding from the Father, by his own will as he had life in Himself. He also had the power to lay down His life and to take it up again.

"**All things were made by him** [the Word]; and without him was not any thing made that was made." John 1:3.

"And, Thou, Lord, in the beginning hast laid the foundation of the earth; and the heavens are the works of thine hands:" Hebrews 1:10

"Who [Son of God] is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature: For **by him were all**

things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him: And he is before all things, and **by him all things consist.**" Colossians 1:15 - 17.

These texts clearly show that Jesus Christ, the Son of God, is the creator of all things that are in heaven and earth, and that by him all things consist.

"In hope of eternal life, which God, that cannot lie, promised before the world began;" Titus 1:2.

As Jesus is God He cannot lie.

"Look unto me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth: for I am God, and there is none else. I have sworn by myself, the word is gone out of my mouth in righteousness, and shall not return, **That unto me every knee shall bow**, every tongue shall swear." Isaiah 45:22, 23.

Jesus Christ is the Saviour of this world, the one who saves us, and unto whom every knee shall bow and every tongue acknowledge as King of Kings and Lord of Lords.

One last point on Jesus that I would like to make is that in the beginning man was made in the image of God - both Father and Son, Genesis 1:27. In Revelation we find a description of what Jesus looks like:-

"And in the midst of the seven candlesticks **one like unto the Son of man**, clothed with a garment down to the foot, and girt about the paps with a golden girdle. **His head and his hairs** were white like wool, as white as snow; and **his eyes** were as a flame of fire; And **his feet** like unto fine brass, as if they burned in a furnace; and his voice as the sound of many waters. And he had in his **right hand** seven stars: and out of **his mouth** went a sharp twoedged sword: and his countenance was as the sun shineth in his strength." Revelation 1:13 - 16.

SATAN

There is not as much written in the Bible about Satan, but from the little that there is we can still identify him quite well.

"Thou art **the anointed cherub that covereth**; and I have set thee so: thou wast upon the holy mountain of God; thou hast walked up and down in the midst of the stones of fire." Ezekiel 28:14.

"By the multitude of thy merchandise they have filled the midst of thee with violence, and thou hast sinned: therefore I will cast thee as profane out of the mountain of God: and I will destroy thee, **O covering cherub**, from the midst of the stones of fire." Ezekiel 28:16.

"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.

Ezekiel describes Satan's position in heaven as the anointed, covering cherub or angel. This means he stood between God and the rest of the angels shielding them from God's brightness and glory. He was, at that point in time, called Lucifer.

"Thou wast perfect in thy ways from the day that **thou wast created**, till iniquity was found in thee." Ezekiel 28:15.

Here Ezekiel tells us that Satan was a created being.

"For thou [Lucifer] hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north: I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High." Isaiah 14:13, 14.

"Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it. And because I tell you the truth, ye believe me not." John 8:44, 45.

In Ezekiel 28:15 we read that Satan was perfect till iniquity was found in him. His first sin was jealousy of God, wanting to sit on His throne. John tells us that Satan was a murderer, a liar and the father of lies.

In the book of Revelation John tells us that Satan was cast out of heaven:-

"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." Revelation 12:7- 9.

In the book of Job we find an interesting situation that happened twice:-

"Now there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan came also among them." Job 1:6.

"Again there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan came also among them to present himself before the LORD." Job 2:1.

Here we have Satan presenting himself before the Lord or the Son of God, Jesus Christ, with the sons of God or the first created being of each world. Although Satan did not fit into this category, he was allowed in because he had stolen dominion of this world from Adam.

"Again, the devil taketh him up into an exceeding high mountain, and showeth him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them; And saith unto him, All these things will I give thee, if thou wilt fall down and worship me. Then saith Jesus unto him, Get thee hence, Satan: for

it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve." Matthew 4:8 - 10.

Satan wanted Jesus to worship him, and in so doing sin. That way Satan's actions in heaven would have been vindicated. Fortunately for us Jesus just quoted him scripture and Satan departed. For if Jesus had not done this we would have no hope of salvation.

We mentioned in the section on Jesus that mankind was made in God's image. What does Satan look like:-

"Thou hast been in Eden the garden of God; every precious stone was thy covering, the sardius, topaz, and the diamond, the beryl, the onyx, and the jasper, the sapphire, the emerald, and the carbuncle, and gold: the workmanship of thy tabrets and of thy pipes was prepared in thee in the day that thou wast created." Ezekiel 28:13.

ARE JESUS AND SATAN BROTHERS

Let's make a comparison between the two from the texts we have read:-

Jesus

- I. was the Son of God
- II. proceeded from the Father
- III. had life in himself
- IV. was the ONLY begotten of the Father
- V. all things in heaven and earth were made by Him
- VI. cannot lie
- VII. Jesus is Lord
- VIII. all will worship
- IX. man made in His image

Satan

- I. was the anointed covering cherub or angel
- II. was created by the Son of God
- III. has no life in himself
- IV. was only a created angel
- V. nothing made by Satan
- VI. a liar and the father of them
- VII. presented himself with the sons of God to the Lord
- VIII. Jesus said not to worship for only God is to be worshipped
- IX. looks nothing like man

From all the above evidence it is clear from the Bible that Jesus and Satan are not brothers. Jesus Christ is the Son of God who created all things in heaven and earth, which includes Satan who was the covering cherub or angel in heaven before he fell.

Are Jesus And Satan Brothers?

All Bible texts are from the King James Version unless otherwise stated.

To determine whether or not Jesus and Satan are brothers we need to identify who each of these two beings are, how they came into being, and what position they held in heaven.

JESUS

There are many texts in the Bible identifying Jesus. Let us read how the Word of God identifies Him.

"Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Before Abraham was, **I am**." John 8:58.

John here relays how Jesus used the name of Deity, "I am", to identify Himself. (See also Exodus 3:14.)

"In the beginning was **the Word**, and the Word was with God, and **the Word was God**. The same was in the beginning with God. . . . And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth." John 1:1, 2, 14.

"Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall **call his name Emmanuel**, which being interpreted is, **God with us**." Matthew 1:23.

From these two texts we see that Jesus was God in the flesh, who came down to this earth.

"For God so loved the world, that he gave **his only begotten Son**, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." John 3:16.

"In this was manifested the love of God toward us, because that God sent his **only begotten Son** into the world, that we might live through him." 1 John 4:9.