The Mystery of Good & Evil

What is Evil? Why does it exist? Is there a battle between good and evil?

God is not fighting for control of anything

Two trees in the Garden
- The Tree of Life
- The Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil

Why would God put two trees in the Garden, yet forbid the eating of the fruit of one of them?
- God wants us to love Him freely and with freewill
- Without choice, we are just robots

The relationship between good and evil is in of itself a mystery
- God sent His son Jesus to pay the consequences of sin once and for all
- Jesus returned to mankind the authority that had been given to Satan
- Jesus, the last Adam, accomplished this through His sinless life

Why does Satan then still have power?

Dream

The enemy gives dark dreams to:
- Stop plans of God in your life through fear
- Target specific areas of your life that are a threat to evil
- Cause you to never want to dream again

How can Satan have power over our dreams?
- Dark dreams are part of God's system of justice
- Dark dreams reveal Satan's plans

The truth about Satan:
- Satan is not a name but a title
- His name is not Lucifer
- "Satan" is a title, not a name
- Satan's name was removed from existence forever
- Satan does not know your thoughts
    - Satan does not know the future; he is not omniscient

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- He is not omnipresent
- Satan is not to be feared
    - He has no power over you unless you give it to him

Two spiritual truths:
- What you focus on you make room for
- What you fear you empower

You are the light of the world
- Darkness is merely the absence of light
- You have the ability to release that light wherever you go
- Everywhere you go, you can have the ability to change the atmosphere around you—if you believe that "Greater is He that's in you, than he that is in the world" (1 John 4:4).

Light always overcomes darkness
- Darkness does not put out light, but light puts out darkness

What is darkness, if it is not a substance?
- It's merely the absence of light
- All true light comes from God

Dark Beings
- Separated themselves from God through sin
- Have continued to deteriorate because of that separation
- Separation from God is deterioration
- The effects of sin will deteriorate you life as well

God has never made a defensive move
- You don't have to respond to the moves of the enemy either

How do you prepare yourself to be a light in a dark world?
- Know more about the God of life
- Know that you are precious to God

Declarative Prayer:
Your family is going to prosper
Your Children are going to prosper
Your finances are going to prosper
Your authority will prosper
Your favor will prosper
Your influence will prosper
Your understanding of Scripture will prosper
Your wisdom will prosper
Your discernment and discretion will prosper
All because you're growing closer to God

When you pray in this manner, the power of God will flow through you unrestricted

True prosperity is where everything you do brings light into darkness and overcomes evil with the light of God.

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