FAKE NEWS – Exposing the Lies of the Devil

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Genesis 3:1-9

"Whenever he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own nature; for he is a liar, and the father of lies." John 8:44

What do we learn about the devil's lies spoken in Eden?

1. The devil speaks subtle lies.

"Indeed, has God said, 'You shall not eat from any tree of the garden'?" Genesis 3:1

"From any tree of the garden you may eat freely; but from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat from it you shall surely die." Genesis 2:16-17

- A. The devil wants you to question the Word of God.
- B. The devil wants you to question the goodness of God.

2. The devil speaks bold-faced lies.

And the woman said to the serpent, "From the fruit of the trees of the garden we may eat; but from the fruit of the tree which is in the middle of the garden, God has said, 'You shall not eat from it or touch it, lest you die.'" And the serpent said to the woman, "You surely shall not die!" Genesis 3:2-4

- A. Sin always has devastating consequences.
- B. The consequences of sin are often delayed.

Because the sentence against an evil deed is not executed quickly, therefore the hearts of the sons of men among them are given fully to do evil. Ecclesiastes 8:11

3. The devil speaks twisted lies.

"For God knows that in the day you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." Genesis 3:5

- A. Sin will open your eyes to darkness, degradation, and death.
- B. God wants you to be like Him, not independent of Him.

Beloved, now we are children of God, and it has not appeared as yet what we shall be. We know that, when He appears, we shall be like Him, because we shall see Him just as He is. 1 John 3:2

Are you following the liar or following the Lord?