The Doomed Conspiracy

God likes company – lots and lots and lots of company. So, he created spirit beings called "angels" to stand in his presence praising, lauding and exalting him.

God also appointed angles as his partners in carrying out divine plans for creation. God isn't incapable of doing his own work, but his loving nature desires to include partners in what he's doing. Angels are God's "servants who do his will." 1

These angels were like their creator – devoid of evil, sin or injustice. However, before earth's creation, some angels plotted against the Maker of heaven and earth. They devised an agreement to rebel against the loving God who only wanted the best for them. Evil desires spread through these angels nature. They reached the point of no return and were disqualified from either standing in God's presence or carrying out his wishes.

The Second Conspiracy

The Lord designed the material universe and by his infinite energy brought it into being. Over this creation he placed partners we know as "humans." He wanted human managers to participate in carrying out the divine will for creation.

God assigned angels the task of helping humans carry out divine instructions. He commanded them to shield, support and strengthen the human managers of planet earth. ²

One sinful angel we call Satan had no intention of serving lowly humans. "I'll not serve those creatures bound to planet earth by gravity. I go anywhere in the universe I choose, so don't expect me to help those weaklings who can't escape gravity." Satan and his angelic followers hatched a second conspiracy against the Lord and his purposes. They decided to lead humanity in its own conspiracy against the Lord. The plan worked, humans became sinful and Satan looked victorious. The evil one thought he was batting 100% - two conspiracies and two successes!

God Dooms Satan's Conspiracy

We belong to a God whose plans and purposes cannot be thwarted. "There is no wisdom, no insight, no plan that can succeed against the Lord."

Very early in human history the Lord predicted that a certain man would crush the serpent's head⁴. "Serpent" refers to the evil tempter of mankind. In dooming

Satan, God destined to destruction every conspiracy and scheme devised against the Lord Almighty.

Only one human qualified to dominate and destroy Satan and all sinners. We call this man Jesus Christ.

God's Undying Faithfulness

Things really don't look very good for God's plan to bless the human race and planet earth. The vast majority of humans either reject Jesus or know nothing about him. They live their lives in ways that contradict and ignore God's directions and commands. Even the people who love Jesus undergo trials, temptations, sicknesses and disappointments. Nevertheless, we needn't worry about the apparent success of sin and rebellion against God. Let's not allow appearances to discourage our faith in the ultimate triumph of Jesus and his people.

Appearances mean nothing – God's undying faithfulness means everything!

"If we (the human race) are faithless, he will remain faithful." 5. Scripture encourages us to not focus on human faithlessness, but on God's undying faithfulness. God will always reserve for himself a people who truly love him and trust only in Jesus for salvation.

God will never become discouraged about the plight of sinful mankind. Human lack of faith in God cannot nullify God's faithfulness! ⁶ God always carries his plans out to completion.

God's faithfulness dooms all conspiracies against him and guarantees the success of divine purposes. The resurrected Jesus will return to the earth, remove Satan and his evil angels, manage this very earth for one thousand years and cover the earth with peace and security.

Until the Lord returns the spirit of Jesus that indwells believers will guard us from the wickedness of these days. We "are loved by God the Father and kept (guarded) by Jesus Christ." All believers "are shielded by God's power until the coming" of Jesus.⁸ Jesus declared, "no one can snatch them out of my hand." Then, Jesus went a step further and said, "no one can snatch them out of my Father's hand."

We despise the flood of sinfulness that covers earth. This loathing of sinfulness is normal, but we must not let what we see and hear diminish our love for Jesus. Remember that Jesus cannot lose and Satan cannot win!

- 1. Psalm 103:21
- 2. Psalm 91:11
- 3. Proverbs 21:30
- 4. Genesis 15:1
- 5. 2 Timothy 2:13
- 6. Romans 3:3-4
- 7. Jude 1
- 8. 1 Peter 1:5
- 9. John 10:28-29