"Mothers Against Serpents, Satan, Curses, Ostriches, Demonic Locusts, a Dragon, and Dragon Empowered Beasts" Genesis 3:14-16; Job 39:13-17 & Revelation 9:1-11 & 12:9

In the past, I have used the same title for different Mother's Day Sermons, M.A.D.D. Mother's Against the Devil's Devices ...

But the Devil's Devices are LEGION ----

⁸ For He said to him, "Come out of the man, unclean spirit!" ⁹ Then He asked him, "What is your name?" And he answered, saying, "My name is Legion; for we are many." Mark 5:8–9 (NKJV)

I. Who or What is this Devil, Satan, Serpent we and especially mothers / women have to deal with? –

¹⁴ So the LORD God said to the serpent: "Because you have done this, You *are* cursed more than all cattle, And more than every beast of the field; On your belly you shall go, And you shall eat dust All the days of your life. ¹⁵ And I will put enmity Between you and the woman, And between your seed and her Seed; He shall bruise your head, And you shall bruise His heel." Genesis 3:14–15 (NKJV)

- 1. He is a cursed, low-life, bottom dwelling, ground crawler –
- A. Cursed sin caused are entire world to be cursed, the serpent was the first to be cursed!
- B. He cursed more than cattle, we drink their milk, we make them into steaks and hamburgers, but the serpent is cursed more!
- C. He crawls on his belly and eats dust!
- 2. The serpent is the first biblical picture of Satan –
- A. He crawls on the ground because he would bring us LOW, He is the opposite of Jesus Who raises us up, gives us life –

¹⁰ The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have *it* more abundantly. John 10:10 (NKJV)

B. Going his way ultimately takes you to Hell –

⁴¹ "Then He will also say to those on the left hand, 'Depart from Me, you cursed, into the everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels: Matthew 25:41 (NKJV)

He is a bottomless pit dweller, with a lake of fire future!

3. But he says even to our LORD Jesus –

⁸ Again, the devil took Him up on an exceedingly high mountain, and showed Him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. ⁹ And he said to Him, "All these things I will give You if You will fall down and worship me." Matthew 4:8–9 (NKJV)

He promises the world, but the world he rules will not last –

³⁶ For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul? Mark 8:36 (NKJV)

- 4. Here he (the serpent / Satan) is pitted by God, as part of his curse against the woman, and the woman against him
- ¹⁵ And I will put enmity between you and the woman, <u>enmity</u> is HATRED, irreconcilable hatred!

Women do not typically like snakes! And godly women should hate and be at war with Satan!

5. This battle is also between the respective seeds, the seed of Satan and the SEED of the woman who is Jesus Christ!

You could say the seed of Satan is the antichrist, but ¹⁸ Little children, it is the last hour; and as you have heard that the Antichrist is coming, even now many antichrists have come, by which we know that it is the last hour. 1 John 2:18 (NKJV)

- 6. Satan's influence is throughout our world NOW, represented by the fact in the Book of Revelation he is call a Dragon –
- ⁹ So the great dragon was cast out, that serpent of old, called the Devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world; he was cast to the earth, and his angels were cast out with him. Revelation 12:9 (NKJV)
 - II. The woman's own curse –
- ¹⁶ To the woman He said: "I will greatly multiply your sorrow and your conception; In pain you shall bring forth children; Your desire *shall be* for your husband, And he shall rule over you." Genesis 3:16 (NKJV)
 - 1. She is commanded along with her husband, to be fruitful and multiply -
- ²⁸ Then God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth." Genesis 1:28 (NKJV)
- A. But now the blessed command has a curse connected to it, PAIN! Even Great PAIN!

 16 To the woman He said: "I will greatly multiply your sorrow and your conception; In pain you shall bring forth children ... Genesis 3:16 A
 - B. In the midst of PAIN, is relational difficulties Your desire shall be for your husband, And he shall rule over you." Genesis 3:16 (NKJV)

The same "desire" here as sin's desire for Cain –

⁶ So the LORD said to Cain, "Why are you angry? And why has your countenance fallen? ⁷ If you do well, will you not be accepted? And if you do not do well, <u>sin lies at the door. And its desire *is* for you</u>, but you should rule over it." Genesis 4:6–7 (NKJV)

The desire of the woman for her husband here is an evil desire to manipulate and control him, maybe usurp his God-given position as head of household ... she feels this desire because now she is CURSED with sin, and he being a sinner too, rules over her -

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This is not speaking about gentle, Christ-like leadership!

This is him bopping her on her head with his husband scepter!

My old Pastor, when I was a young man, said to me, "beware of the women!" The "women" were two godly married women: Cindy Sanders, and Jeannie Feheseke ... I was in a Bible study with Angus McDonald, the Pastor, his wife and two couples ... I was single ... and I was wondering what he meant --- "beware of the women?"

He said, "beware of their softness" Basically, he was telling me as a man I should NOT BE soft! **Ephesians 5:22-33** How we SHOULD BE – but start at **Ephesians 5:18**

III. Yet, as women they were CALLED by GOD to be soft, called to be different than men, different than ungodly women –

³ the older women likewise, that they be reverent in behavior, not slanderers, not given to much wine, teachers of good things—⁴ that they admonish the young women to love their husbands, to love their children, ⁵ to be discreet, chaste, homemakers, good, obedient to their own husbands, that the word of God may not be blasphemed. Titus 2:3–5 (NKJV)

1. What are the bottomless pit LOCUSTS?

9 Then the fifth angel sounded: And I saw a star fallen from heaven to the earth. To him was given the key to the bottomless pit. ² And he opened the bottomless pit, and smoke arose out of the pit like the smoke of a great furnace. So the sun and the air were darkened because of the smoke of the pit. ³ Then out of the smoke locusts came upon the earth. And to them was given power, as the scorpions of the earth have power. 4 They were commanded not to harm the grass of the earth, or any green thing, or any tree, but only those men who do not have the seal of God on their foreheads. 5 And they were not given authority to kill them, but to torment them for five months. Their torment was like the torment of a scorpion when it strikes a man. 6 In those days men will seek death and will not find it; they will desire to die, and death will flee from them. ⁷ The shape of the locusts was like horses prepared for battle. On their heads were crowns of something like gold, and their faces were like the faces of men. 8 They had hair like women's hair, and their teeth were like lions' teeth. 9 And they had breastplates like breastplates of iron, and the sound of their wings was like the sound of chariots with many horses running into battle. 10 They had tails like scorpions, and there were stings in their tails. Their power was to hurt men five months. ¹¹ And they had as king over them the angel of the bottomless pit, whose name in Hebrew is Abaddon, but in Greek he has the name Apollyon. Revelation 9:1-11 (NKJV)

- A. Note where they come from the bottomless pit Hell! Revelation 9:1-3
- B. Note how and with what they come they come with SMOKE Revelation 9:2-3
- Note this is spiritual, immoral SMOKE, "smoke gets in your eyes" you don't see right / vou don't see light –
- Nun 105 Your word is a lamp to my feet And a light to my path. Psalm 119:105 (NKJV)
 - These locusts come out of this blinding spiritual smoke, any one with LIGHT wants nothing to do with these demonic insects!
 - C. They are environment-friendly Revelation 9:4 but not friendly with ungodly humans ...
 - D. Five months, the entire life-span of a locust
 - E. They TORMENT for this time ... Revelation 9:4

F. Days of Misery - Revelation 9:6

Horses – war - Revelation 9:7 think in terms of temptation

Crowns – royalty, government, authority, gold wealth --- Revelation 9:7

Faces like men - intelligence, they are trusted - Revelation 9:7

Hair like women – beauty, ungodly will be attracted to them - Revelation 9:8

Teeth like lion – ferocity, they chew up souls! - Revelation 9:8

Breastplates iron – invincibility, they are not stopped! Revelation 9:9

Sounds of their wings like chariots running into battle – intimidating powerful noise **Revelation** 9:9

Sting in tail like scorpions in their tail, sin is like this, the PAIN is after pleasure! Revelation 9:10

Up until about 2020, One in 30,000 women would be transgender, wanting to change sex, now 1 in 20 college girls! Going after CHILDREN!

IV. Ostrich / stork beauty ... wisdom –

- "The wings of the ostrich wave proudly, But are her wings and pinions *like the* kindly stork's?
- For she leaves her eggs on the ground, And warms them in the dust; ¹⁵ She forgets that a foot may crush them, Or that a wild beast may break them. ¹⁶ She treats her young harshly, as though they were not hers; Her labor is in vain, without concern, ¹⁷ Because God deprived her of wisdom, And did not endow her with understanding. Job 39:13–17 (NKJV)
 - Ostrich, long-legged super model, career woman, everything an ungodly world says a woman should be – neglecting eggs / young

VS. the Kindly Stork, kindly mother –



2. Stork parents / MOTHERS will die for their babies ...