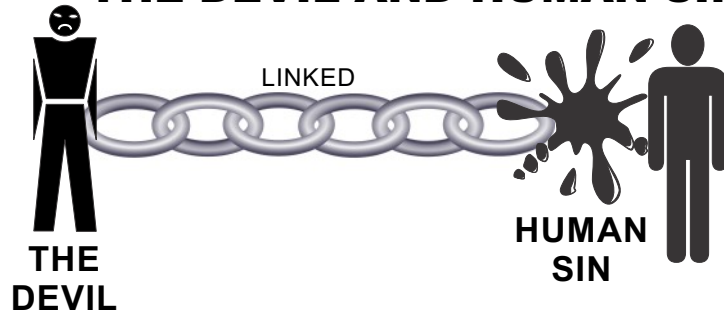


# MAN, SIN, AND THE DEVIL RELATIONSHIP

The devil introduces sin to man. Man chooses to sin. God declared that sin will result in death. Christ died to deliver man from death by atoning for our sins. For believers, the devil's associated connection with death is broken. The sting of death has been weakened. Now death is glorious, not something to be feared, as it brings us to Christ (**Ph.1:23; 2Co.5:8; Re.14:13**).

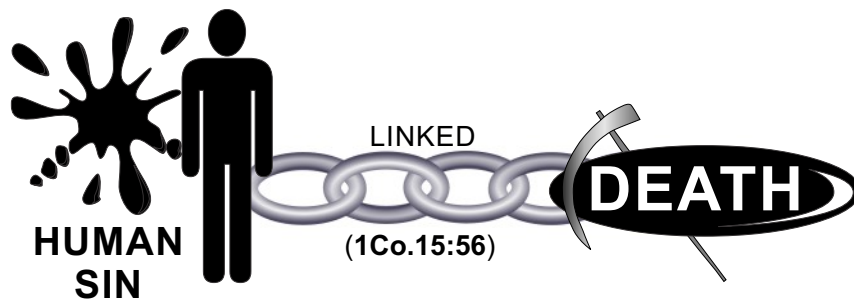
## THE DEVIL AND HUMAN SIN



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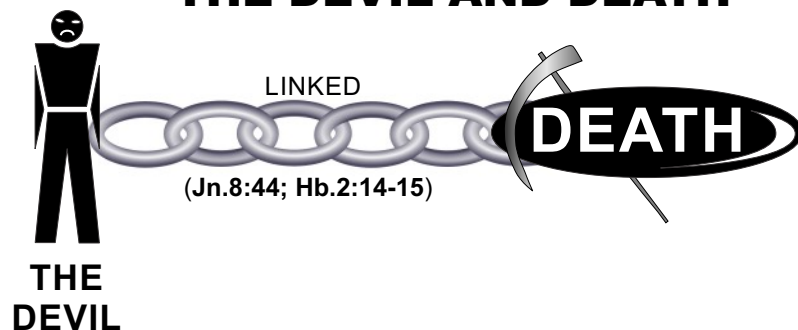
- The link between man and the devil is that he tempted us, and we chose to sin.
- Death is called an “enemy” of man (**1Co.15:26**), and is linked with another enemy called hades (**Re.20:14**). For the believer death has lost its sting (**1Co.15:55; Hb.2:14-15**).
- Death was not introduced from the devil, but sin was.

## HUMAN SIN AND DEATH



- “The power of death” (**Hb.2:14-15**) is the devil’s destructive impact on creation as a result of the Fall. The devil shares a responsibility for the sin-death equation. Thus he is said to have the power of death. Not in a direct sense, but in an historical sense as associated with man’s fall.
- The consequence of sin is death because God decreed it (**Ge.2:17; 3:14-19**). God brought death into the world in response to human rebellion. Death is one aspect of God’s anger against sin. Thus, death is appointed by God (**Hb.9:27**). Death is a judgment God brings upon sinful man (**Ro.1:32**).
- The devil’s link with death (**Hb.2:14-15**) and man’s link with Adam (**Ro.5:12**) are linked with a single human rebellion.
- The devil does not actually kill us any more than Adam actually made us personally guilty by his personal sin (**Ro.5:15-19**).

## THE DEVIL AND DEATH



- The devil is linked with human sin, and human sin is linked with death (**1Co.15:56**). Because of these connections the devil is linked with death.
- Since the devil introduced sin, he is characterized as the “murderer” and “liar” of humanity (**Jn.8:44**).
- The Greek word for “power” (**Hb.2:14**) is *kratos* which simply means manifested power. It is used 12 times in NT. It is not an authoritative power but a resultant power. The more common word *exousia* (103 times) has a stronger force. You can see the results of but he is not the direct cause of death.
- Why is death linked with the devil? They are linked for the same reason human guilt is linked with one man, namely Adam.