

Alexander Paganì: Satan's 5 Deadliest Weapons of Mass Destruction

In the pandemic's aftermath, there remains a noticeable rise in spiritual disturbances worldwide, affecting both the general population and individual households. This surge included the emergence of demonic forces associated with fear, anxiety, worry and phobia. I believe it was by God's hand that I was led to pave the way for a new era of spiritual freedom through digital platforms. As a result, online deliverance ministries quickly gained momentum and captured the attention of social media users.

Today, the ministry of deliverance through digital platforms has grown into an unstoppable global movement, drawing in countless individuals who are at the forefront of this revolutionary wave, supported by God's blessings. Influential figures such Isaiah Saldivar, Vlad Savchuk, Mike Signorelli and Greg Locke wholeheartedly embrace the responsibility of spreading the message of the kingdom of God through social media, actively participating in the mission of digital deliverance.

Weapons of Mass Destruction

I want to get into what I call "Satan's weapons of mass destruction." I call them that because the sins less frequently seen in Scripture are considered the deadliest. Heaven is saying to pay attention when it comes to sins that often fly under the radar! Here are some of the most destructive sins throughout human history and within the church today.

1. Vanity. Satan's No. 1 weapon of mass destruction is vanity. This was the sin that caused Satan's downfall, not pride.

Vanity opened the door to pride, and Satan fell. Now I know that's not what you were expecting to hear because we've been trained to believe it was pride, but Scripture paints a different picture. Before you read the following verse, consider that the Hebrew word for "vanity" (*yahir*) means haughtiness, boastfulness and conceit.

As you can see, Satan became *vain* in his thinking because God had created him to be the most beautiful being in all His creation. Ezekiel 28 describes in detail just how beautiful Satan was, and it all boiled down to one thing: He became full of himself! The Bible says that his wisdom was corrupted because of his beauty, not his pride. Scripture doesn't say how long it took for Satan to sin, but it does say that over time he became filled with iniquity. (Notice how Ezekiel says "iniquity" and not "sin.")

Vanity is the door that leads to pride:

- Leads to fornication.
- Leads to greed.
- Leads to envy.

It has only been in recent years that the Holy Spirit showed me the sin of vanity as the *original sin*, and it was a hard pill to swallow because I began to see this sin everywhere. Once I learned that vanity was also the sin that caused Eve to eat the forbidden fruit, it became clear that this sin is a weapon of mass destruction.

Nothing has changed since the garden. In this present day and age, vanity is the root cause of 99% of our sins. It's everywhere, yet nowhere. Social media is driven by vanity. Platforms such as Facebook aren't even hiding it; look at its name, Facebook, which means, "Look at my face!" Instagram, another platform owned by the same company (Meta) that owns Facebook, is entirely based on photos—and most notably,

“selfies.”

If I were to ask you when you last heard a sermon on vanity, what would your response be? The potential of vanity gripping a person is fierce because vanity has cords that can tie a person down and hold them in bondage, and only the power of the Holy Spirit can break those cords. The Word of God is powerful enough to cut those cords and set the captive free.

Vanity will produce a curse. Vanity got Lucifer cursed and banished from heaven, and it caused Adam and Eve to be evicted from the garden. Right now, if you're reading this, ask the Holy Spirit to remove all forms of vanity in your life and break the generational curse.

2. Envy. The next weapon of mass destruction is envy. The sin of envy has been around since humans started walking the face of the earth. It's what caused Cain to kill his brother. Murder wasn't what drove Cain to kill Abel; it was envy! The Bible says that envy is more powerful than anger and wrath.

Envy is the driving force behind why many people in modern society do the things they do, because they desire to appear better than their peers. The church is no different. Many churches, ministries and individual believers make it their priority to keep up with the appearances of their brethren. The overdressing on Sunday (nothing wrong with dressing up on Sunday), the flashy cars (nothing wrong with having a nice car), the ministries competing to see who has the largest crowd—envy is rampant in the church! It's rampant in families, it's rampant in business and trade, it's rampant in government. Envy is everywhere.

For a lot of people, envy can be:

- “Living the good life” not driven by a desire to enjoy their quality of life.
- To appear better than their peers.

- Show the world just how well they're doing "living."
- Keep up with the Joneses.

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What people fail to realize is that envy has the potential to poison your body. It's not just a sin of the heart but also of the body. The Bible says that envy can rot the bones!

One thing we know for sure is that envy is what took Jesus to the cross. Envy is what caused the Pharisees, Sadducees and teachers of the Law to despise Jesus' earthly ministry. When I first started studying this sin it was an eye-opener to me, because prior to that I'd always assumed the religious leaders hated Jesus. The text doesn't say they hated Him; it says they envied Him.

Envy can poison your spiritual senses and cause you not to see clearly to the point that you would actually betray the Son of God. Pontius Pilate discerned very quickly that Jesus was innocent of breaking any law, and he was determined to release Him. The Sanhedrin's persistence in wanting Jesus convicted as a criminal made it clear to Pilate that envy was driving them. This sin of envy is also part of the Ten Commandments (Deut. 5:21), where God says, "Do not covet what your neighbor has" (paraphrased).

Today as you read this, you can be set free from envy. The Holy Spirit is here to set you free. Don't allow envy to contaminate what God is doing in your life. Don't open the door to that curse! It caused Cain to fall, it caused the Pharisees to stumble, and the Bible says that it can also poison your body.

3. Gluttony. The Hebrew word for gluttony (*zolel*) can mean "to shake out" and also "to squander." The idea is to be a waster by always feeling you don't have enough. Gluttony is about:

- Having desires that aren't under control.
- More than food, though food is part of it.
- Never being satisfied or content.

Today's society is dominated by never having enough. Consumerism is America's greatest flaw. Americans consume more than they give. The political battles we see on television concerning America are all centered on trade, import and export. Why? Because as a nation we are gluttonous! The God of the Bible is no longer the God of this country. Today, people are much more likely to worship the god of the belly.

Gluttony actually has the potential to replace God in the minds of people. Gluttony can become a false god, causing people to erect false ideologies in their minds around it. Whole countries are dominated by gluttony while others die of starvation.

Gluttony was the sin that caused God to judge Sodom and Gomorrah. I know we've been taught that homosexuality was the sin that caused their destruction, but according to Ezekiel it was gluttony.

Heaven judged the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah harshly because of gluttony, and this sin will always produce a generational curse. (See Num. 11:31-34.) God places gluttony in the category of iniquity, making it extremely dangerous.

The vast majority of our country is overweight, and obesity produces unproductive citizens, as their obesity causes many to stay home and embrace a lifestyle of laziness that doesn't contribute to the workforce. Also, what Paul said regarding "anyone who doesn't work, doesn't eat" makes it clear why one of the fruits of the Holy Spirit is the ability to maintain self-control.

A generational curse can be activated upon households if

gluttony has replaced a good work ethic. During the Israelites' journey in the wilderness, they complained against Moses and Aaron by saying, "You brought us to the wilderness to die," and, "It would have been better to die in Egypt, for at least we had meat to eat." (See Ex. 16:3.) The Lord was angered by their murmuring and allowed a plague to wipe out the complainers. He used them as a lesson for all to see that gluttony will not be tolerated. Many Israelites died that day and were buried. They called the place where the dead complainers were buried the "graves of gluttony."

4. Racism. You're probably saying to yourself, "What does racism have to do with generational curses?" Everything! Racism is a learned behavior that is passed down from generation to generation. It's not something new within the last 500 years but has been around since Bible times, and God has plenty to say about it. Yes, racism will produce a generational curse.

What is racism? Racism can be defined as:

- **Prejudice.**
- **Discrimination.**
- Antagonism by an individual, community or institution.
- Against a person or people on the basis of racial or ethnic group.
- Typically one that is a minority or marginalized.

It is clear Miriam and Aaron were bothered that Moses married a Black woman ("Cushite," or Ethiopian), a woman of color who wasn't in covenant with the God of the Hebrews. It makes sense that Moses would marry a Black woman given the fact that he was raised in Egypt.

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Let's look more closely at another portion of Scripture where it's obvious that racism is being described in the text. The Bible says that King David was white-skinned and ruddy (1 Sam. 16:12), so it makes sense that his son King Solomon would also be of lighter complexion and ruddy (reddish).

We see in the words of Solomon's beloved just how fair-looking he was among all the other men in Israel, as he resembled his father, David. Not only was he handsome like his father, but he also had the same sexual issues that his father had. Solomon ended up marrying a woman of Egypt—Pharaoh's daughter—and this story can be found in 1 Kings 11:1–10, where we see that after Solomon built the temple in Jerusalem, he also built Pharaoh's daughter a house.

They hated her because she was Black, and history has shown through the transatlantic slave trade of African Americans that this same hatred still exists in modern times, sometimes in the church.

Regardless of where it exists, racism still produces a generational curse. Many groups such as the Ku Klux Klan and other racial hate groups claim Christianity as their religion and pride themselves in the separation of the races—they even use Scripture to justify these actions.

The Bible is clear that in Christ there is neither bond nor free, neither Jew nor Gentile. Christ came to break the middle wall of separation.

When a person claims to profess Christ but still holds on to the belief in the separation of the races and treats their fellow peers of different races with contempt, they open themselves to a generational curse.

Ask the Holy Spirit to show you where you might have been partial in your view toward someone of a different race.

5. Dishonor

To me, this particular curse sticks out more than any other curse in recent times. Because we're living in a fatherless generation, we are witnessing the byproduct of a people who have *no honor* or respect for anyone. Children don't honor parents, citizens don't honor government officials, employees don't honor employers and church members don't even honor pastors.

The culture of the internet is saturated with dishonor. It's everywhere and very prevalent in the church. Young believers do not realize they can open their lives to a generational curse.

What is dishonor? According to it means:

- Lack of honor.
- Disgrace.
- Shame.
- Reproach.

Heaven is so serious about dishonor that to commit it was considered a capital offense, punishable by death. Today, at least in the West, no one is going to be executed because of dishonor, but in other countries such as North Korea, Turkmenistan and some Middle Eastern countries, it is punishable by death to dishonor one's own country's leader or the country itself.

I believe the same capital punishment exists for us in the West, only it's in the spirit. I've seen countless Christians walk in the same sin as Reuben in the Bible and receive the same judgment. Reuben dishonored his father, Jacob, and lost his birthright.

The youngest son of Noah, Ham, also dishonored his father by

telling his brothers about Noah's drunkenness and nakedness, and when Noah woke up, he cursed Ham's firstborn because of Ham's dishonor. In rebuking the Pharisees for not obeying the commandment of honoring their parents, Jesus said they were on dangerous territory in not fulfilling that commandment (see Matt. 15:6).

Be careful what you post online on various social media platforms. These platforms reek of dishonor, as everyone is trying to be right and appear smart. I have seen Christians debate on social media or shame other believers they disagree with.

Take Your Charge, Set the Captives Free

This discussion wasn't fun, but it's a necessary, detailed crash course in allowing the Holy Spirit to recalibrate your thinking so you're more aware of Satan's devices. Ask the Holy Spirit to enlarge your capacity to receive understanding. Ask Him to embed everything you've learned into your spirit so that when the time comes to discern the root causes of curses in your life, or in the lives of others, you will be sharp and accurate.

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