

## Doctrine of Satanic Counterfeit

1. To counterfeit means to imitate or copy something closely, especially with intent to deceive. Satan is a master at religious counterfeiting. The close parallelism between the basic tenants of Zoroastrianism and Judaism reveals this truth.
2. The Bible warns of Satan's counterfeit
  - *2 Corinthians 11:14 And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light. 15 Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness.*
3. Consider what Satan has counterfeited.
4. Satan has a counterfeit Bible. The *Book of Mormon*, the *New World Translation of the Scriptures* and every occult and cultist bible has its ultimate origin in the mind of Satan.
5. Satan has a counterfeit doctrine. Specific doctrines of demons include celibacy and forbidding eating certain meats.
  - *1 Timothy 4:1 Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils; 2 Speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their conscience seared with a hot iron; 3 Forbidding to marry, and commanding to abstain from meats, which God hath created to be received with thanksgiving of them which believe and know the truth. 4 For every creature of God is good, and nothing to be refused, if it be received with thanksgiving: 5 For it is sanctified by the word of God and prayer.*
6. Satan has a counterfeit trinity.
  - The Unholy Father: *Revelation 12:3. And there appeared another wonder in heaven; and behold a great red dragon, having seven heads and ten horns, and seven crowns upon his heads.*
  - The Unholy Son: The Beast out of the Sea: *Revelation 13:1 And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a beast rise up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy.*
  - The Unholy Spirit: The False Prophet: *Revelation 13:11 And I beheld another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb, and he spake as a dragon.*
7. Satan has a counterfeit temple.
  - *2 Corinthians 6:15 And what concord hath Christ with Belial? Or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel? 16 And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? For ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.*

8. Satan has a counterfeit religion or system of beliefs. It is recognized by casting doubt on the Word of God followed by a denial of the simplicity of God's word and / or by misusing it.
  - In the Garden of Eden Satan cast doubt on God's word before denying it. *Genesis 3:1 Now the serpent was more subtil than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden? 2 And the woman said unto the serpent, We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden: 3 But of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die. 4 And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die:*
  - In the wilderness, while tempting Christ, Satan twisted Scripture to make it mean something it was never intended to mean. *Matthew 4:6 And saith unto him, If thou be the Son of God, cast thyself down: for it is written, He shall give his angels charge concerning thee: and in their hands they shall bear thee up, lest at any time thou dash thy foot against a stone. 7 Jesus said unto him, It is written again, Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God.*
9. Satan has a counterfeit morality. For those with a bent towards lasciviousness it is called hedonism, Epicureanism or in modern terms, the Playboy philosophy. For those with an inclination to religious asceticism it is called legalism or Pharisaism. All forms of morality not rooted in faith with the glory of God as its objective is sin.
  - *Romans 14:23 And he that doubteth is damned if he eat, because he eateth not of faith: for whatsoever is not of faith is sin.*
10. Satan has a counterfeit objective, which is to be glorified as God. Isaiah 14:14 explains. Said Lucifer, "*I will be like the most High.*"
11. The Christian should not be surprised to find many Biblical concepts and stories embedded in the belief systems of other world religions, for Satan takes the truth to copy it before using it to deceive others. Nor should they embrace the other world religions simply because there is an element of truth in them. There is only one true truth and that is Christ. Jesus said, "*I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me*" (John 14:6).