

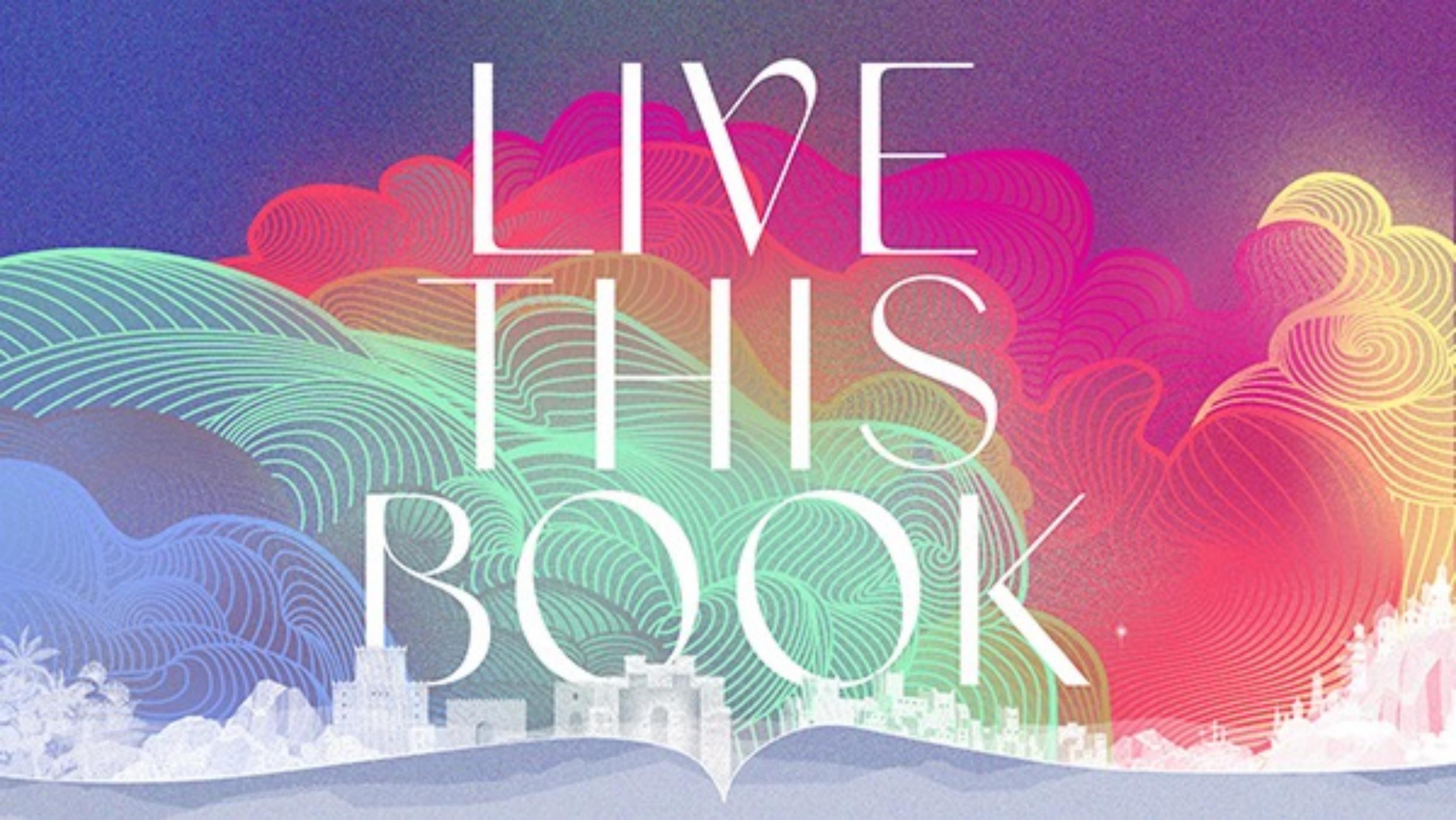




“Four out of ten **Christians** (40%) strongly agreed that Satan “**is not** a living being but is a symbol of evil.”

Survey by the Barna Group





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God's Plan for Humanity

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The
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REBEL

The humans rebel against God leading
to a corrupted, broken world

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Genesis 3:1-3 (NIV)

⁴ "You will not certainly die," the serpent said to the woman. ⁵ "For God knows that when you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." ⁶ When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and also desirable for gaining wisdom, she took some and ate it. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it.

Genesis 3:4-6 (NIV)

⁷ Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they realized they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves.

Genesis 3:7 (NIV)

¹ God has taken his place in the divine council; in the midst of the gods (Elohim) he holds judgment: ² "How long will you judge unjustly and show partiality to the wicked?....
⁵ They have neither knowledge nor understanding, they walk about in darkness; all the foundations of the earth are shaken. ⁶ I said, "You are gods (Elohim), sons of the Most High, all of you; ⁷ nevertheless, like men you shall die, and fall like any prince."

Psalm 82:1-2, 5-7 (ESV)

⁹ The great dragon was hurled down — that ancient serpent called the devil, or Satan, who leads the whole world astray...

Revelation 12:9 (NIV)

² He seized the dragon, that ancient serpent, who is the devil, or Satan, and bound him for a thousand years.

Revelation 20:2 (NIV)

שָׂטָן

satan

“to oppose someone or something”

or

“the adversary”

Tempter (Matthew 4.3)
Beelzebub (Matthew 12.24)
Enemy (Matthew 13:39)
Evil One (Matthew 13.19)
Father of Lies (John 8.44)
Murderer (John 8.44)
The Prince of this World (John 12.30)
Adversary (1 Peter 5.8)
Deceiver (Rev. 12.9)
Great Dragon (Rev. 12.3)

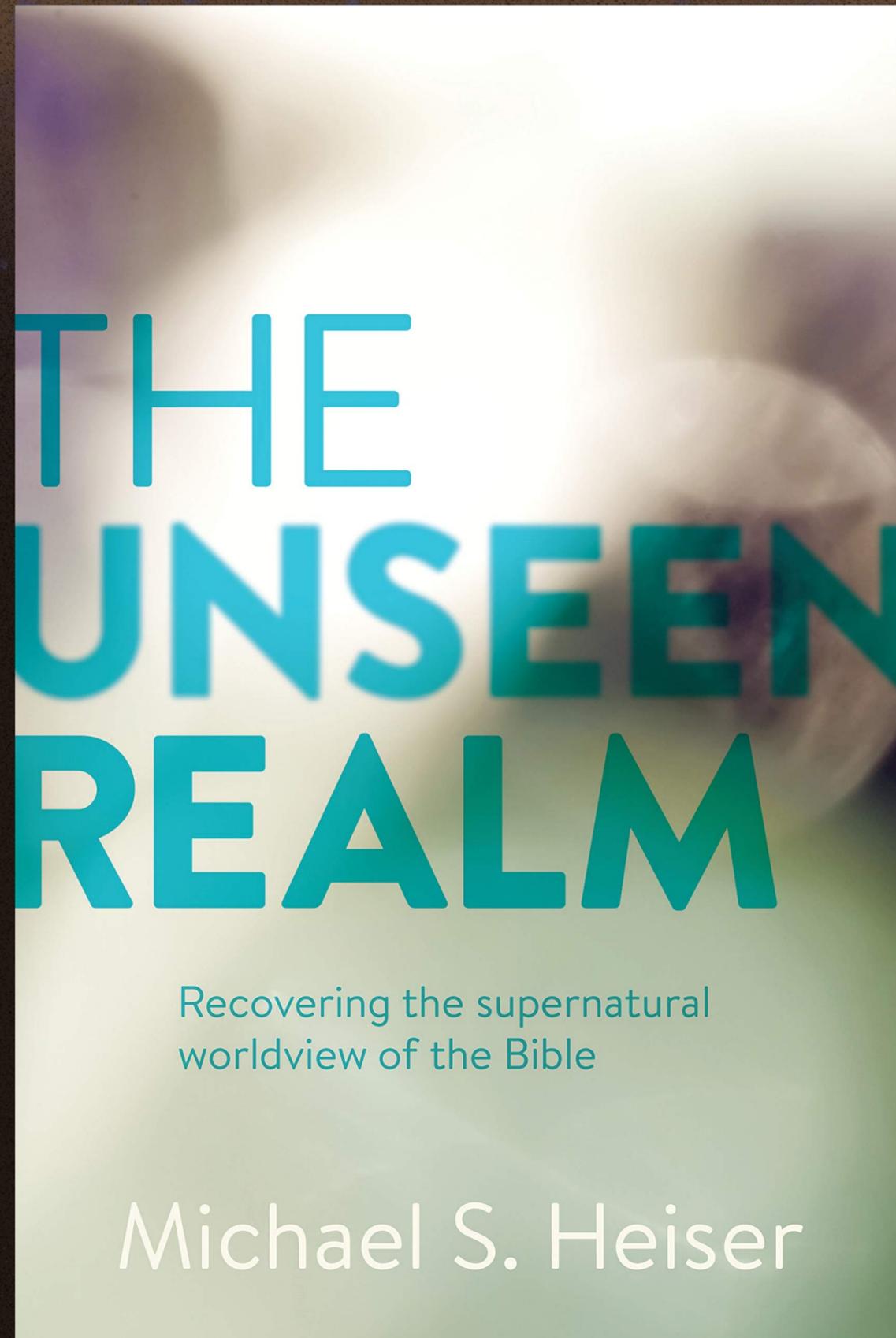
Διάβολος

Diabolos

Devil (slanderer)

41 "Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels.'"

Matthew 25:41 (NIV)



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⁴¹ They said to him, "We were not born of sexual immorality. We have one Father – even God."

⁴² Jesus said to them, "If God were your Father, you would love me, for I came from God and I am here. I came not of my own accord, but he sent me. ⁴³ Why do you not understand what I say? It is because you cannot bear to hear my word.

John 8:41-43 (ESV)

44 You are of your father the devil, and your will is to do your father's desires. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. **When he lies, he speaks out of his own character, for he is a liar and the father of lies.**

John 8:44 (ESV)



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Genesis 3:1-3 (NIV)

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Genesis 3:4-5 (NIV)

Satan gets people to question
God's PLAN.

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Genesis 3:1 (NIV)

¹⁶ And the LORD God commanded the man, "You are free to eat from any tree in the garden; ¹⁷ but you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for when you eat from it you will certainly die."

Genesis 2:16-17 (NIV)

Satan gets people to wonder
if God has our best interest
in mind.

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Genesis 3:4-5 (NIV)

Satan gets people to believe
“I’ll be better off if I go with my
plan; not God’s plan.”

Satan's Plan

Get God's Image Bearers to...

- **Question** God's plan
- **Wonder** if God has our best interest in mind
- **Believe** that we will be better off if we go with our plan

Lies We Believe

If I had more stuff, I'd be happy.

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I'm ugly and no one loves me.

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I'm married to the wrong person.

¹⁰ Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. ¹¹ Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes.

¹² For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms.

Ephesians 6:10-12 (NIV)

⁷ Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil,
and he will flee from you.

James 4:7 (NIV)

⁴ the one who is in you is greater than the one who is in the world.

1 John 4:4 (NIV)

¹⁰ And the devil, who deceived them, was thrown into the lake of burning sulfur, where the beast and the false prophet had been thrown. They will be tormented day and night for ever and ever.

Revelation 20:10 (NIV)

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing;
Our helper He, amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing:
For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe;
His craft and pow'r are great, and, armed with cruel hate,
On earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide, our striving
would be losing,

Were not the right Man on our side, the Man of
God's own choosing:

Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is He;

Lord Sabaoth, His Name, from age to age the same,

And He must win the battle.

And though this world, with devils filled, should
threaten to undo us,

We will not fear, for God hath willed His truth to
triumph through us;

The Prince of Darkness grim, we tremble not for him;

His rage we can endure, for lo, his doom is sure,

One little word shall fell him.

That word above all earthly pow'rs, no thanks to
them, abideth;

The Spirit and the gifts are ours through Him Who
with us sideth;

Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also;

The body they may kill: God's truth abideth still,

His kingdom is forever.