



The War that began

BEFORE US... AND STILL GOES ON

Most of us do not wake up thinking, “today I will choose between good and evil.” It sounds dramatic. Life feels simpler: work, family, responsibilities, fatigue, small decisions. But if we are honest, there are days when something inside breaks, ignites, or grows cold... and we realize that not everything is neutral. There are forces that push, voices that confuse, impulses that drag, wounds that repeat themselves. And then the question appears — one that almost all of us have asked at some point, even if only in silence: if God is good, why does this world feel so broken? This lesson does not respond with easy phrases.

01 It presents something more serious: evil is not just “the dark side of life,” nor a meaningless accident.



It is a real conflict with a root, a strategy, and a purpose. And the most uncomfortable part is this: it does not happen only “out there” in news stories or tragedies; it also happens within us—in what we choose, in what we justify, in what we hide, in what we allow to grow.

03 And here is the point that speaks directly to the modern mind: if this conflict is primarily moral, then its battlefield is not force, but truth.

That is why evil does not advance only through violence; it advances through deception through distorted versions of reality, through the mixture of truth and lies, through that subtle idea that has wounded millions: “God is not trustworthy.” Once that suspicion takes hold, everything else collapses. Obedience becomes oppression, faith becomes naïve, and the heart learns to live defensively.

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The Bible does not present God as the author of evil. It presents evil as the result of freedom misused:



A created being who, though able to live in the light, chose to twist inwardly. That matters, because it changes the picture of God. He is not a tyrant playing with human suffering, nor an indifferent creator. He is a God who created beings capable of love and love is only possible where freedom exists. That same freedom, when corrupted by pride, produces destruction. Not because God designed it that way, but because selfishness always ends up breaking something.

This lesson also explains why evil seems to “persist”: because God does not eliminate it through an act of force that silences every question.

If He did, the universe would obey out of fear, not conviction. Instead of imposing, God allows evil to reveal what it truly is, so that one day it can disappear and never rise again. And in the middle of that process, God does not remain a distant observer. At the cross, Christ made it clear which side He is on and how He overcomes not with terror, but with truth, love, and self-giving. Evil is exposed. And the victory is secured.

In the end, this lesson brings you face to face with something personal. Not as a threat, but as clarity:

If this is real, then we are not spectators. Every day we believe something about God, about ourselves, and about life. And that belief guides our decisions. The question is not whether you are in the conflict. The question is whom you will trust and with whom you will walk.

Because the conflict continues... but Christ's hand remains open. And He not only promises an end without evil; He promises to sustain you while the battle lasts.