

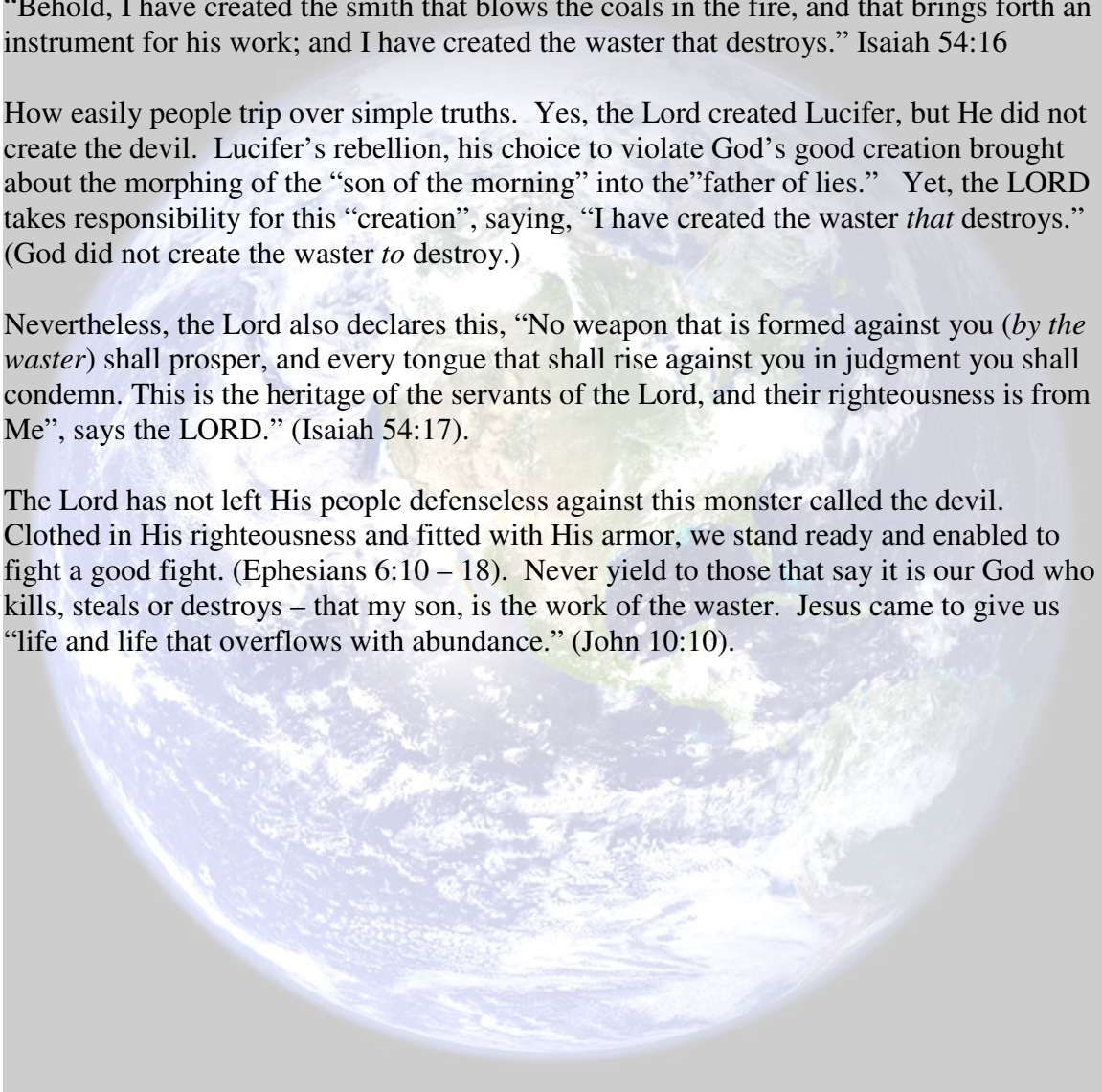


“Behold, I have created the smith that blows the coals in the fire, and that brings forth an instrument for his work; and I have created the waster that destroys.” Isaiah 54:16

How easily people trip over simple truths. Yes, the Lord created Lucifer, but He did not create the devil. Lucifer’s rebellion, his choice to violate God’s good creation brought about the morphing of the “son of the morning” into the “father of lies.” Yet, the LORD takes responsibility for this “creation”, saying, “I have created the waster *that* destroys.” (God did not create the waster *to* destroy.)

Nevertheless, the Lord also declares this, “No weapon that is formed against you (*by the waster*) shall prosper, and every tongue that shall rise against you in judgment you shall condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the Lord, and their righteousness is from Me”, says the LORD.” (Isaiah 54:17).

The Lord has not left His people defenseless against this monster called the devil. Clothed in His righteousness and fitted with His armor, we stand ready and enabled to fight a good fight. (Ephesians 6:10 – 18). Never yield to those that say it is our God who kills, steals or destroys – that my son, is the work of the waster. Jesus came to give us “life and life that overflows with abundance.” (John 10:10).



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