

Outline for Sabbath School Teachers with ideas for group discussion inspired by the Teachers' Edition of the Sabbath School Lesson prepared by the General Conference SS ministry.

Lesson n.01 **31 March – 6 Aprile 2018**

Title: **The Cosmic Controversy**

Key texts: ***Revelation 12; Ezekiel 28:1,2,11-17; Genesis 3:1-7; Romans 8:31-39; Revelation 14:12.***

Themes to Explore:

1. The storyline of the whole Bible is the great conflict, which has affected everything: people, nature, world history and the universe.
2. Common ground for everything and everyone is that evil exists, it developed in someone and has found its home in everything and everyone.
3. Pride, presumption, ambition, lies and slander are recurring themes on this planet that demonstrate the nature and dynamics of evil: rebellion of creatures against their creator and His laws.

B. Learning Objectives

- Know:** Understand the motives which are behind the conflict between God and Satan, good and evil in the world and in us.
- Feel:** Decide to personally make an effort to dedicate yourself to communion with Jesus and faithfulness to His will.
- Do:** Build trust and faith in God in such a way as to be a support to each other in this daily battle.

C. Other possible questions for deeper study, debate, sharing and testimony

1. **Why is this lesson important to me? (Motivate);**
 - 1a. How could evil come into existence? Why did God allow it? Why wasn't it eliminated immediately?
2. **What else is there still to learn from God's Word? (Explore);**
 - 2a. What do the principle texts (Rev. 12; Ez. 28; Gen. 3) teach us about the nature and dynamics of the Great Controversy?
3. **How can I practice what I've learned from God's Word? (Apply);**
 - 3a. What principles and practical steps can I take to be sheltered from evil and better able to stand firm in the conflict?
4. **How can I communicate and apply what I've learned from God's Word? (Create).**
 - 4a. What can we do to be of help to each other in facing this conflict?