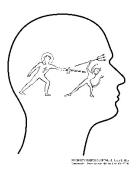
WORD—GOD'S DIVINE "MEDICATION" TO CONTROL SIN (AND PREVENT SIN FROM DESTROYING GOD'S GIFT OF FAITH)

- I. From the beginning, ("In the beginning" Genesis 1:1) God opens up His pharmacy. God there also <u>defines</u> His *living* Word as His "medication-antidote" for the evil, deadly force that seeks to destroy God's gift of faith.
 - A. Genesis 3:15: "And I will put enmity between you and the woman, And between Your **SEED** and her **SEED**; He shall bruise you on the head, And you shall bruise Him on the heel."
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2. In Genesis 3:15—God states clearly: "I am 'opening/launching' a horrific life death battle—against Satan and Sin!!"



- a) In Matthew 13 Christ restates for us today this Seed-seed battle. These are in His "Sower" parables—Matthew 13. Christ spoke-speaks His: Sower-seed parables—Matthew 13.
 - 1) This is also God's description of your daily life.
- B. God's prototype of your daily life—is also like Christ's battle—Matthew 4:1–10.



(KS WILL FIND THE VISUAL – NEED PICTURE OF SATAN TEMPTING CHRIST IN MATTHEW 4:1–10)

- 1. Luke 4:13 is even better. "Satan leaves—to return <u>for a better more opportune</u> time."
- II. You cannot preach-teach—(or visually explain) Matthew 13 too often. In the secular world this is called "The Battle of the Brain." Or, "The Battle of the Seeds;" or the New Testament version of Genesis 3:15.
 - A. The entire Christian life consists of daily: "sowing"; "seeding"; "re-seeding"; and "overseeding."



- 1. Recently, in the secular world, Dr. Bloom of University of Chicago—became famous with his discussion of: "Battle of the Books-Ideas."
- III. The weekly seeding, re-seeding, and overseeding takes place, endlessly as follows:
 - A. Christ-centered sermons
 - B. Baptism
 - C. Holy Communion
 - D. Absolution
 - E. Sunday school
 - F. Home devotions
 - G. Christ-Word Centered hymns and songs.