Why So Much Hate for Israel?

I. Physical Hostilities

Genesis 16:7-12 (NKJV)

⁷ Now the Angel of the LORD found her by a spring of water in the wilderness, by the spring on the way to Shur. ⁸ And He said, "Hagar, Sarai's maid, where have you come from, and where are you going?" She said, "I am fleeing from the presence of my mistress Sarai."

⁹ The Angel of the LORD said to her, "Return to your mistress, and submit yourself under her hand." ¹⁰ Then the Angel of the LORD said to her, "I will multiply your descendants exceedingly, so that they shall not be counted for multitude." ¹¹ And the Angel of the LORD said to her: "Behold, you are with child, And you shall bear a son. You shall call his name Ishmael, Because the LORD has heard your affliction. ¹² He shall be a wild man; His hand shall be against every man, And every man's hand against him. And he shall dwell in the presence of all his brethren."

Genesis 17:15-22 (NKJV)

¹⁵ Then God said to Abraham, "As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her name Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. ¹⁶ And I will bless her and also give you a son by her; then I will bless her, and she shall be a mother of nations; kings of peoples shall be from her." ¹⁷ Then Abraham fell on his face and laughed, and said in his heart, "Shall a child be born to a man who is one hundred years old? And shall Sarah, who is ninety years old, bear a child?" ¹⁸ And Abraham said to God, "Oh, that Ishmael might live before You!" ¹⁹ Then God said: "No, Sarah your wife shall bear you a son, and you shall call his name Isaac; I will establish My covenant with him for an everlasting covenant, and with his descendants after him. ²⁰ And as for Ishmael, I have heard you. Behold, I have blessed him, and will make him fruitful, and will multiply him exceedingly. He shall beget twelve princes, and I will make him a great nation. ²¹ But My covenant I will establish with Isaac, whom Sarah shall bear to you at this set time next year." ²² Then He finished talking with him, and God went up from Abraham.

II. Spiritual Hostilities

Revelation 12:1-17 (NLT2)

¹ Then I witnessed in heaven an event of great significance. (Great significance!)

I saw a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon beneath her feet, and a crown of twelve stars on her head. (The nation of Israel – Twelve stars = Twelve sons) ² She (Israel) was pregnant, and she cried out because of her labor pains and the agony of giving birth. ³ Then I witnessed in heaven another significant event. I saw a large red dragon with seven heads and ten horns, with seven crowns on his heads. (vs. 9 Satan) ⁴ His tail swept away one-third of the stars in the sky, and he threw them to the earth. (fallen angels) He stood in front of the woman as she was about to give birth, ready to devour her baby as soon as it was born. ⁵ She gave birth to a son who was to rule all nations with an iron rod. (Jesus) And her child was snatched away from the dragon and was caught up to God and to his throne. ⁶ And the woman fled into the wilderness, where God had prepared a place to care for her for 1,260 days. (3¹/₂ years Israel is

protected and provided for)

⁷ Then there was war in heaven. Michael (A warring archangel of God) and his angels fought against the dragon (Satan) and his angels.
⁸ And the dragon lost the battle, and he and his angels were forced out of heaven.

⁹ This great dragon—the ancient serpent called the devil, or Satan, the one deceiving the whole world—was thrown down to the earth with all his angels. ¹⁰ Then I heard a loud voice shouting across the heavens, "It has come at last— salvation and power and the Kingdom of our God, and the authority of his Christ. For the accuser of our brothers and sisters has been thrown down to earth— the one who accuses them before our God day and night. ¹¹ And they have defeated him by the blood of the Lamb and by their testimony. And they did not love their lives so much that they were afraid to die.

¹² Therefore, rejoice, O heavens! And you who live in the heavens, rejoice! But terror will come on the earth and the sea, for the devil has come down to you in great anger, (Great Anger) knowing that he has little time." ¹⁵ Then the dragon tried to drown the woman with a flood of water (nations who oppose Israel) that flowed from his mouth. ¹⁶ But the earth helped her by opening its mouth (Earthquake?) and swallowing the river (opposing nations) that gushed out from the mouth of the dragon. ¹⁷ And the dragon was angry at the woman (Israel) and declared war against the rest of her children—all who keep God's commandments and maintain their testimony for Jesus. (Christians – followers of Jesus)

Satan's Aim is to Destroy All Israel. His Aim is to Destroy All Christians.

Ephesians 6:12 (NKJV) ¹² For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places.

Satan and his demons are spirits without a body - an outer shell, and need a host to work through.

Gensis 3 Satan – Snake

Matthew 5 Legion – Wild Man – Pigs.

John 13:21-27 (NKJV) Satan entered Judas who betrayed Jesus. ²¹ When Jesus had said these things, He was troubled in spirit, and testified and said, "Most assuredly, I say to you, one of you will betray Me." ²³... Jesus answered, "It is he to whom I shall give a piece of bread when I have dipped it." And having dipped the bread, He gave it to Judas Iscariot, the son of Simon. ²⁷ Now after the piece of bread, Satan entered him. Then Jesus said to him, "What you do, do quickly."

Ephesians 4:26-27 (NLT2)

²⁶ And "don't sin by letting anger control you." Don't let the sun go down while you are still angry, ²⁷ for anger gives a foothold to the devil.

