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Introduction Reasoning

• Deductive

Inductive

• Abductive

Reasoning by certainty or top-down reasoning

> if x = 5and if y = 2then 2x + 5y = 20

Premise: My appointment is on the 3rd floor Observation: The elevator is "out of order" Conclusion: I must use the stairway

Premise: I am an American Premise: Only foreigners pay tax to the American gov't Conclusion: I need pay no tax to the American gov't

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Reasoning by consistency or bottom-up reasoning

A detective will collect many facts regarding a crime and use those facts to find the person(s) responsible for the crime

- Forensic evidence
- Medical Examiner's report
- Witness statements
- Alibi confirmations
- Video surveillance
- Financial reports
- Background checks

Premise: The victim was killed by a bullet at 8:30 pm Evidence: Joe has a gun of the same caliber Evidence: Joe's gun was recently fired Evidence: Joe cannot account for his whereabouts Conclusion: Joe is probably the killer

Reasoning through guesswork Reasoning based: •Experience •An observation •Rules

Which results in a working hypothesis

- Search/test for forensic evidence
- Send the body to the Medical Examiner
- Collect witness statements
- Obtain/check all suspect alibis
- Check for applicable video surveillance
- Obtain financial reports of suspects
- Obtain background checks of suspects

Part ONE Background and Satan's Test

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BACKGROUND The Man

Job lived in the land of Uz



Who and Where - Job

- Job "hated (persecuted)"
- Uz "wooded"
- Shem -> Aram -> Uz (Gen 10:22-23)
- Abraham's brother Nahor -> Huz (Gen 22:20-21)
- Seir (Horite) -> Dishan -> Uz (Gen 36:20,21,28)
- Without geography (Jer 25:20)
- Edom dwells in Uz (Lam 4:21)
- Place north of Arabian Desert (commentaries)

When - Job

(Job 22:15 KJV) Hast thou marked the old way which wicked men have trodden? (Job 22:16 KJV) Which were cut down out of time, whose foundation was overflown <u>with a flood</u>:

When - Job

What dispensation?

BACKGROUND

The Man

Job lived in the land of Uz Job was perfect and upright Job feared God Job shunned evil



BACKGROUND

Family & Possessions

Job had 7 sons & 3 daughters Job owned 7000 sheep Job owned 3000 camels Job owned 500 yoke of oxen Job owned 500 she asses Job had a very great household Job was the greatest of all men of the east Job 1:2-3

BACKGROUND Family Life

Job's sons held feasts each on his own day Job's daughters were invited to the feasts After feasts Job sanctified his children Rose early offered burnt offerings for all Maybe my sons sinned, cursed God Thus did Job continually



TANGENT

Hebrew for "scribal correction"

to preserve God's honor

example

(Job 7:20 KJV) I have sinned; what shall I do unto thee, O thou preserver of men? why hast thou set me as a mark against thee, so that I am a burden to myself?

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altered

from to thee TO to myself

example

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from cursed God TO blessed God

SATAN'S TEST The Gathering

Sons of God presented before YHWH Appointed day Satan among them LORD: "Where are you coming from?" Satan: "From going to and fro in the earth and from walking up and down in it"



Immortal angels or men?

(Jhn 1:12 KJV) But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, [even] to them that believe on his name:

(Rom 8:14 KJV) For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God. (Rom 8:19 KJV) For the earnest expectation of the creature waiteth for the manifestation of the sons of God.

(Job 38:4 KJV) Where wast thou when I laid the foundations of the earth? declare, if thou hast understanding. (Job 38:5 KJV) Who hath laid the measures thereof, if thou knowest? or who hath stretched the line upon it? (Job 38:6 KJV) Whereupon are the foundations thereof fastened? or who laid the corner stone thereof; (Job 38:7 KJV) When the morning stars sang together, and all the sons of God shouted for joy?

- If sons of God are men, we would expect Job to be present
- The conversation between God and Satan implies Job is not in attendance
- The conversation between God and Satan and the presentation of the sons of God implies the ability of the assembled parties to converse - an impossibility which Job laments

WHAT IS THE APPOINTED DAY?

Much like the feasting of Job's sons and daughters, we know nothing more!

TANGENT

- "Adversary"
- One who has God's ear

 Aware of men's thinking having walked throughout the earth

(Rev 12:9 KJV) And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.

(Gen 3:2 KJV) And the woman said unto the serpent, We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden: (Gen 3:3 KJV) But of the fruit of the tree which [is] in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die. (Gen 3:4 KJV) And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die: (Gen 3:5 KJV) For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil.

(Gen 3:14 KJV) And the LORD God said unto the serpent, Because thou hast done this, thou [art] cursed above all cattle, and above every beast of the field; upon thy belly shalt thou go, and dust shalt thou eat all the days of thy life: (Gen 3:15 KJV) And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.

(Jhn 8:41 KJV) Ye do the deeds of your father. Then said they to him, We be not born of fornication; we have one Father, [even] God. . . . (Jhn 8:44 KJV) Ye are of **[your]** father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it.

(1Jo 3:12 KJV) Not as Cain, [who] was of that wicked one, and slew his brother. And wherefore slew he him? Because his own works were evil, and his brother's righteous.







Seed of the Serpent

Seed of the Woman



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Seed of Serpent	Seed of Woman		
Descendents	No Descendents		
Evil	Righteous		
Flood ends Seed	Being Dead yet Speaketh		
Eve's Son	Eve's Son		

Abel

- "Adversary"
- One who has God's ear

 Aware of men's thinking having walked throughout the earth

SATAN'S TEST The Gathering

LORD: "Hast thou considered my servant Job?"

Satan: "Doth Job fear God for nought?"

Satan: "Touch all he hath and he will curse thee" LORD: "all that he hath [is] in thy power; only upon himself put not forth thine hand."

Job 1:8-12

Syllogism

Premise: God blesses those who worship him Observation: Job is blessed Conclusion: Job worships God

Job 1:8-12

Question

Is Job blessed because he worships God? OR

Does Job worship God because he is blessed?

Job worships God because he is blessed



Job's Loss

Oxen and asses stolen; servants slain
Heavenly fire burned sheep and servants
Camels stolen; servants slain
House collapsed killing all children



Response

 Job rent his mantle Job shaved his head Job fell to the ground and worshipped • "Naked came I out of my mother's womb, and naked shall I return thither: the LORD gave, and the LORD hath taken away; blessed be the name of the LORD."



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SATAN'S TEST *The Gathering* LORD: "Hast thou considered my servant Job?" LORD: "Still he holdeth fast his integrity"

Satan: "Skin for skin"

LORD: "He is in thine hand; but save his life."



Syllogism

Premise: Godly men who lose all curse God Observation: Job has lost all Conclusion: Job will curse God



SATAN'S TEST Job's Loss

Job smitten with boils from head to foot



Response

 Job scraped himself with a potsherd Job sat in the ashes Job's wife: "Curse God and die." "But he said unto her, Thou speakest as one of the foolish women speaketh. What? shall we receive good at the hand of God, and shall we not receive evil?"

Job 2:8-10

TANGENT

INTEGRITY

(Job 2:3 KJV) And the LORD said unto Satan, Hast thou considered my servant Job, that [there is] none like him in the earth, a perfect and an upright man, one that feareth God, and escheweth evil? and still he holdeth fast his integrity, although thou movedst me against him, to destroy him without cause.

(Job 2:9 KJV) Then said his wife unto him, Dost thou still retain thine integrity? curse God, and die.

Strongs H8538: tummah; feminine of H8537: tom

INTEGRITY

Meaning: innocence

Translated: integrity (5x)

also at Job 27:5; 31:6; Prov 11:3

INTEGRITY

(Psa 25:21 KJV) Let integrity and uprightness preserve me; for I wait on thee.

(Psa 26:1 KJV) Judge me, O LORD; for I have walked in mine integrity: I have trusted also in the LORD; [therefore] I shall not slide.

(Psa 41:12 KJV) And as for me, thou upholdest me in mine integrity, and settest me before thy face for ever.

Job's integrity was a good thing

 Job's integrity was not just a state of being (innocence) but a way of life righteousness, trusting God

INTEGRITY

- Job's integrity was the target of Satan's test
- Could a conflict arise between Job's righteousness and God's righteousness?