

of Satan who holds great power over men everywhere.

He uses people, called his "seed" in Gen 3:15, (who refuse God's love and mercy; who will not hear His voice and repent) to carry out his evil purposes against God.

Take for example Cain, the first born son of Adam and Eve. We read in 1 John 3:12

Cain was of the **wicked one**, (the devil) and slew his brother; and on account of what slew he him? because his (Cain's) works were wicked, and those of his brother righteous.

Another example is Judas Iscariote who betrayed the Lord. Of him we read

The devil having already put into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariote, that he should deliver Him (Jesus) up . . . . . John 13:2