

THE  
Two Trains  
OF  
History

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Imagine with me, if you will, two parallel train tracks, and on those two train tracks are two trains speeding in the same direction. One train is labeled “Jesus the King” and the other train is labeled “Jesus the Sacrifice”. Both trains are neck and neck and both trains are gathering speed.

Now imagine Satan a few miles up the track. He is standing in the middle of the tracks, waiting for the two trains. He has the ability to stop one of the trains from continuing on. As the trains quickly move towards him, he begins to focus on only one of them: the one labeled “Jesus the King”. As that train quickly speeds towards him, he begins to think of all the ways of stopping that train; all the weapons he’s going to apply. He is so engulfed in his own ambitious thoughts that the other parallel speeding train becomes non-existent to him. He is focused solely on stopping the one train.

The train labeled “Jesus the King” reaches him. He begins to throw all the weapons he has at the train. The train begins to slow down. Satan continues throwing all he has at the train. And it works. The train comes to a screeching halt. Unbeknownst to Satan, the other train labeled “Jesus the Sacrifice” zooms past him, on its way to its destination three days away.

Satan begins to celebrate his victory, dancing in front of the stopped train for three days. During the three days, the train labeled “Jesus the Sacrifice” begins gaining unheard-of speeds. It becomes an unstoppable train, a perpetual train, heating up and tearing up the track behind it. On the first day, it surpasses the Speed of Sound. On the second day, it surpasses the Speed of Light. It begins to disintegrate the landscape that it passes. Whole cities and wheat fields are destroyed as the train rumbles past in blinding light.

On the third day, the perpetual train surpasses the Speed of Life, a speed that tears at the very fabric of the physical world. The effects of this Speed reaches miles back to where the other stopped train resides. The suction of this Speed of Life is so strong that it yanks the stopped train through the vortex, nearly shredding Satan in the process. Satan begins to run in the opposite direction, all the while hoping not to get caught in the ever-lengthening vortex of the two trains. For the next two millennia, both trains continue at ever-increasing speeds, creating a suction-vortex that will soon engulf all of Creation.

The end.

