

John Milton

## Paradise Regained

Read by **Anton Lesser**

In *Paradise Lost*, Satan successfully engineers the expulsion of Adam and Eve from the Garden of Eden. In *Paradise Regained*, Satan, discovering that a new figure threatens his dominion on earth, sets out once more to exert his power of temptation. He encounters Jesus in the desert and presents a host of challenges; but Jesus sees through the various wiles set before him. Satan, vanquished, returns to the pit. The magisterial poetry of Milton enriches the encounter and, while not matching the greatness achieved in *Paradise Lost*, provides drama and depth.



**Anton Lesser** is one of Britain's leading classical actors. He has played many of the principal Shakespearean roles for the Royal Shakespeare Company including Petruchio, Romeo and Richard III. His career has also encompassed contemporary drama, notably *The Birthday Party* by Harold Pinter. Appearances in major TV drama productions include *The Oresteia*, *The Cherry Orchard*, *Troilus and Cressida*, *The Mill on the Floss* and *A Tale of Two Cities*. His readings for Naxos AudioBooks also include *David Copperfield*, *Great Expectations*, *Hard Times*, *The Pickwick Papers* and *A Tale of Two Cities* (unabridged).

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