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Bosch's Fantastical Odyssey

Short Answer Key

1. The left panel conveys a warning about temptation, as symbolized by the serpent's coil.
2. The center panel is fantastical and surreal due to the presence of bizarre and unknown creatures, such as a fish with legs and a man with wings.
3. The right panel of Bosch's triptych depicts a nightmarish realm through its portrayal of demons and sinners in a fiery pit, suffering for their transgressions.
4. Answers may vary, but some students may suggest that Bosch intended to explore the boundaries between reality and imagination and to provoke thought and interpretation through his surreal imagery.

