

# THE TWO LAWS OF EDEN

**WE ARE DEALING WITH WHAT WE KNOW FROM THE WORD OF GOD CONCERNING HIS DEALINGS WITH THE PLANET EARTH; FROM THE PREHISTORIC ERA RIGHT ON INTO THE ETERNAL AGE. THEREFORE HAVING DEALT WITH THE PREHISTORIC ERA AND THE SIX (SO CALLED) CREATIVE DAYS OF GENESIS, CHAPTER 1, WE NOW COME TO THE PART WHERE GOD BEGAN HIS DEALINGS WITH OUR PROGENITORS ADAM AND EVE.**

After God had placed Adam and his wife in physical bodies, they were left to fulfill the commission He had given them while they were still only spirit beings: "Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it." However no child of God ever goes very far without being tested; so that is what we want to deal with in this part of our study. Their test came in the form of two spiritual laws the Creator placed before them. That is why we refer to them as "THE TWO LAWS OF EDEN." We are using charts to illustrate the various points of scripture; and I might say also, We are not preaching these messages again just to be repetitionists; or because there is nothing else that can be preached. We are living at a time in a world, that if you have spiritual eyes to see, you can not help but be aware that time is running out for us Gentiles. The religious systems of the world are crumbling. The leadership of these denominational systems is influenced more by society and politics than they are by the scriptures. In fact, in this hour when there is such a great effort being made by most of the denominations, including the Catholic Church, to pave the way for a common grounds of getting together for fellowship, they are laying aside the Bible doctrines that have divided us for so long; all for the sake of this false unity. After 1900 years, we Gentiles who have been entrusted with the gospel, should ask ourselves one question, Why does the Bible divide people? What is there about it that does this? There are two ways we can look at it. There is a great multitude of people in the world today, that go to church, not because they have a spiritual appetite for the things of God; they have made religion merely a social function. It is like going to a lodge. They feel duty bound. Others go to church services feeling that they need to do so to stay out of hell; but they have no real love for truth; so their motive is wrong; even though God truly has done something for them. They will quickly confess, I believe the Bible; but when you try to fellowship with them in the scriptures, you soon find out that there are just certain things in the Bible they believe. The rest, they treat as unnecessary. They are likely to say, That is not for our day. Some feel that if they do not understand certain things, no one else can either. There is not one thing written in that book just to take up space. Everything written in it, is for man's learning, eventually. Everything prophetic was for a certain time; and not necessarily for prior generations to understand; but I assure you of one thing, Someone, somewhere in time will understand it. The living generation of God's true children, will always understand that which is for their day. Much of that which was a great mystery to prior generations is as clear to us in this hour as John 3:16 was to them. Certain developments in the world, begin to create a setting that just allows the Spirit of God to open up the revelation of the prophetic scriptures that pertain to that particular time. Those scriptures begin to fit right into the time which they are related to. As for the prehistoric age upon Earth, an awful lot of church-goers today just shrug their shoulders and say, What difference does it make, whether there was such an era upon Earth? The Bible tells us all we need to know to be saved; without going into all of that. Saints: That is only part of it. You will never be able to give an answer to many questions that arise today, about discoveries that cannot possibly fit into our six thousand year scope of recorded history; unless you know something about that prehistoric era. Neither can you give an acceptable answer to those who would question you about the way God has dealt with various peoples upon earth since the episode with Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden; if you do not know the truth about the two laws of Eden, or the two trees in the midst of the garden. That is why we are going to deal with this subject next; because we feel that this end time element of the bride of Jesus Christ should be able to give a sensible answer to those who ask an honest question.

## **GOD'S PROGRESSIVE PLAN FOR MANKIND UPON THIS PLANET**

After the Creator redeemed this planet back out of its chaotic state, it was ready for Him to use again; but there is absolutely no way for us to establish how much time actually passed, before Adam was given a

body of flesh; and placed in the garden of Eden. In our last study we followed the recorded course of events down through chapter 1, of the book of Genesis; to the point where God had created man in **HIS** own image, blessed them, and commissioned them; and that brings us to chapter 2; where we want to pick up and continue our journey through the scriptures dealing with mankind upon this restored planet. When the Bible was first written, it was not written in chapters and numbered verses; it was a continuous thought. The printing press has caused man to make these divisions of chapters and verses which are very helpful to us in our studying of the scriptures. Therefore when we say, Let us go to Genesis, chapter 2, you can find it immediately. Then when we go there, we find that we are continuing on with how the first chapter closes out, God has created the animal kingdom, He has created man and woman, and He has given them a commission. However at this time we must realize, they are not yet in the earth. They are spirit beings, still in the presence of God, awaiting that time when they will be put in the earth. The same way with the animal kingdom. At this point we can say, About the only thing going on, in the earth, is that slow, gradual process of God bringing the planet back in relationship to the sun, and it is going to take many, many centuries of time for the earth to truly warm up; and all that glacier to melt into lakes, rivers, and seas, and establish a climate whereby plant life, as well as the eventual beginning of animal life can function as they were created to. That is why it says in the beginning of chapter 2, "Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them. And on the seventh day God ended His work which He had made; and He rested on the seventh day from all His work which He had made. And God blessed the seventh day, and sanctified it: because that in it He had rested from all His work which God created and made." He had not re-created the planet. It is just that He had finished His objective; and in His mind it was all a finished process; even though everything had not reached the point where it would eventually be. After finishing all of these works, God then observed a Sabbath. However long that Sabbath was, I am sure of only this, It was not a day of 24 hours. What would He have a Sabbath for? To establish a pattern for the man that would eventually inhabit this reclaimed planet. There was not yet an animal, nor a human walking upon earth; yet He has spoken every spirit being to life; that would eventually appear on earth. In other words, they already existed as spirit beings; but were not yet manifested. While He had a Sabbath, I feel sure that He was meditating upon what He knew would be unfolding in the ages to come. He knew you and I would one day be living on this planet. He knew everything you or I would ever think or do. We have to realize, God is not some hand-me-down myth; He is the very source of all life, knowledge, power and intelligence that ever has been, or ever will be. He knows everything. That is why it is correct to say, He is omniscient, omnipresent, and omnipotent. He is without limitation. "And God blessed the seventh day, (that was His Sabbath) and sanctified it." Why would He sanctify it? Because the very fact that He had a Sabbath, set in motion a pattern; that as man would eventually be put on earth, so would he have a Sabbath. However man's Sabbath was not to be related in dispensations or generations. His Sabbath is related to a day of 24 hours. "Because that in it He had rested from all His work which God created and made. (2:4) "These are the generations (The word generations here, describes, or speaks of the dispensations or periods of time.) of the heavens and of the earth when they were created, in the day that the Lord God made the earth and the heavens." Not that He created them again, but regenerated, because they were already created. Let us take that word created; and notice how the apostle Paul used it in the New Testament. The apostle Paul says this, If any man be in Christ Jesus, (what is he?) He is a new creature. How did he become a new creature? Did he become a new creature because he has been re-created? No. It is because he has been regenerated. You can take this back to St. John 3:3 "Jesus answered and said unto him, (Nicodemus) Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God. Nicodemus saith unto him, How can a man be born when he is old? can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born? Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God." You have to see it to understand what the kingdom of God is; but this religious leader of the Pharisees hear Jesus' words strictly from a carnal standpoint. He said, I am an old man, how can I again enter into my mother's womb and be born. You see, that is the way people want to read everything; just strictly from a carnal, natural standpoint. The way Jesus responded to Nicodemus' remarks was, Marvel not at this. In other words, Just do not get hung up on a word. The second statement Jesus made went way beyond the first one; but He did not go into a lot of detail explaining the whole thing to him. That would be a work for the Holy Ghost to do later. Well it is the same way, concerning these so-called "Creative days," here in Genesis. Moses did not sort it all out so any natural minded person could completely understand all about it; but rather, by the inspiration of the eternal God he wrote what happened, without sorting it out for us. In this way, if we are going to understand the whole process, we have to depend upon the Holy Ghost to reveal it to us. Genesis 1:1, tells us this; "In the beginning God

created the heaven and the earth." Is this the truth? It most certainly is; but it does not tell us why the earth was without form and void, and engulfed in total darkness. That was left for the Holy Ghost to reveal to us later. Oh yes, the answer is in the same book; but you have to be led to it by the ONE that had it written in its present form. Let us notice, and pay particular attention to verse 5 which says, "And every plant of the field before it was in the earth, and every herb of the field before it grew: for the Lord God had not caused it to rain upon the earth, and there was not a man to till the ground." We have to understand, that while God was having His Sabbath and resting from all His works, there was still something going on, as far as the renewing process of the earth? The Spirit of God was slowly pulling it back into a proper relationship to the sun, to get a perfect balance between them; and giving the planet a proper amount of time to warm up, and the soil to become climatized for the first things that were to appear, which was plant life; grass, trees, and all such. Things began to come up out of the ground. It says here, Before it grew, because the Lord God had not caused it to rain upon the earth. In other words, until the flood, there had never been a rain upon this planet. It was not necessary that there be rain. That was not God's first means by how the earth was to receive moisture. "There was not a man to till the ground." Man was created; but where was he? He was still a spirit being; and still there in the presence of God. So was the animal kingdom. They were still only spirit beings, without physical bodies, just waiting for the next phase of the Creators plan to be activated. Verse 6 tells us what happened at the closing of God's Sabbath; when the climate and total earthly environment were finally brought back into balance. "But there went up a mist from the earth, and watered the whole face of the ground." Everyone knows, when they step outside the house in the morning, and the air temperature is just right, how the grass is dripping with water. What do you call it? Dew. Where did it come from? Do not tell me, It came out of the ground. It did not come out of the ground; it came out of the air. Why did it come out of the air? Because it is the temperature of the earth, and the temperature of the air working together that creates this. To better illustrate this process, take a bucket of cold water, bring it into a warm room and set it down. It will not set there but a very few minutes, until that bucket will begin to sweat. That is not the water inside the bucket coming through. What is it? It is the water in the air, around the outside of the bucket, hitting that cold temperature and condensing. What are we looking at then? The method God used for watering the earth, before He ever caused it to rain. God ordained that when there is a perfect climate in that sense, through the daylight hours when the sun is beaming its radiation down upon the earth, the earth will warm up; the immediate surface. Then as the sun goes down the air will cool. This cooler air coming in contact with the warmed earth causes condensation of the moisture in it. Therefore the next morning, when the sun comes up again, the grass is dripping wet. You can go out and get your feet wet. Why is it that way? We have seen already; by what we have covered already, that if there was going to be a perfect climate, there had to be enough water in a vaporized form, high in the atmosphere, way above the earth's surface, miles and miles up there, to form a vapor barrier. You do not see it. What we see, are the waters under the earth; which are in our lakes, streams, and seas, and so forth. The water up there does not come down. It is this water down here in these various places, that the sun is constantly pulling back out of these bodies, taking it up into the immediate atmosphere, so that it comes back down to the ground in a condensed form. Even though you do not see it happening; unless the atmosphere is just right on certain days, this is still a process God uses part of the time to water vegetation. That was the only way, from the beginning of our garden of Eden to the time of the great flood, that God constantly watered the entire earth. There were no such things as downpours of rain like we see today. Adam never saw a rain cloud in the sky. It was not necessary; because they had a perfect climate. As we have already said, The reason there was a perfect climate, was because the planet Earth and the sun were in perfect balance for the earth's benefit. The moon also, was in perfect balance to the earth. The Creator had restored everything that had been disrupted in that former judgment; back to its created state of perfection. That is why we said, There were 12 lunar months of 30 days each; a perfect 360 day cycle to each year. That gives one complete solar year of 360 days; in which there is a perfect climate. Had sin never entered into our garden of Eden, (which was the beginning of what God planned) there would not be an ice cap on the North and South poles today. Whatever that environment was, that we read about here, would have eventually become the picture all over the earth. That was the first picture God presented to mankind.

### **MAN RECEIVES HIS BODY OF FLESH**

As we read verse 7, remember, God's Sabbath is over; He is going to work again. When God went to work the next time, He has been working ever since. What has He been working with? You and me. If God were

like us so that He could have headaches, we would have to say, We have given Him many headaches. Did man's disobedience surprise Him? No. It is written in the Bible; that He knew all about it from before the foundation of the world. This apostle Paul wrote these words in his epistle to Ephesian saints. (Eph. 1:4) "According as He (the Father) hath chosen us in Him (Jesus) before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love." That would not have been necessary, if God had not known ahead of time that man would fail his test of obedience; and stand in need of a Saviour. Notice what it says in Rev. 13:8 about that, "And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him, (the beast) whose names are not written in the book of life of the LAMB slain from the foundation of the world." He put man here on a freedom choice basis; knowing exactly how it would turn out; so what happened in the garden of Eden when Eve yielded to the temptation to disobey the Creator, and then pulled Adam into the same boat with her, was not a surprise to God. He already knew it. However He knew He must put man here on earth with the ability to make such a choice anyway; lest He have the whole earth repopulated with a bunch of puppets; that do His will because they have no choice in the matter. That was not what His heart longed for; He wanted a human family that would follow His plan for them simply because they love Him; and not because they are forced to, or are without the ability to do otherwise. That is why it had to be on the basis of a test; with the man having the ability to go contrary to his Creator's instructions if he so desired. With that, let us read verse 7, We can say this, As far as the earth itself is concerned, grass is beginning to grow, young trees were beginning to come forth; and everything was ready for the Creator to bring His man upon the scene. To do what? To rule. It says in verse 5, to till the ground; but we are going to explore that word till. "And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul." That means He put inside that vessel of clay the spirit being that He had already created. Why is it worded like that? It means that all those attributes, such as sight, hearing, touch, taste, and smell, knowledge and consciousness, all of which was in his intellect, was placed within that tabernacle of flesh and bones. All of that was in his spirit. That is what makes him an individual person. His personality, the things he likes, the things he is interested in are all regulated and controlled by the intellect. Let me illustrate that a better way. A child does not have to grow up in life to learn how to be a mechanic. The best mechanics in the world are those that are born with a desire to get their hands into the grease; and fix an old car. They like to play with nuts and bolts. They like to take Dad's old watch apart; and all sorts of things; just simply because they have that certain attribute in them. It is in their makeup to be like that. Why do some like to be chemists? They like to stand in a laboratory and experiment with different mixtures. They like to know what certain chemicals are capable of doing; in their individual characteristics. They like to pour a little bit of this, and a little bit of that together; and watch the smoke. That is creating, in a sense. Did you know, everything you see out here in this natural world about you came into being like that. I am talking about the things man has invented. Man did not have to read a book to learn how to build the first computer. The first computer ever invented, was a result of someone somewhere getting an idea to do such a thing. He thinks a little on this, and begins to put parts together thinking, This ought to work like this; and the first thing you know, he has a little contraption rigged up. Then he adds a little something more; and he eventually has a little machine to play with. Did he read that out of a book? No. It is because there was something in his makeup that caused him to feel that there ought to be a way to do what he thought to do. Was it in his flesh? No. The Creator put that ability in his spirit makeup. Why is it that some women like to experiment with foods? Look at all the cooking recipes we have today. If the world had all the recipes in one book, you could not find a building large enough to contain it. The point is, man in his soulish makeup, has those attributes incorporated in the spirit which is truly the person he or she is. The flesh we are able to see with our natural eyes, is not the real you; that is only a tangible form the real you dwells in. That is why when the spirit of man was put into a body of flesh, the Bible says he became a living soul; it just simply points to the fact that this created spirit being has become earthly activated. He became conscious of, and a part of his natural, earthly surroundings. When an infant is born, his conscience is very limited; but lying there in that little mind is everything that this particular human being can ever eventually grow up to be. Only the Lord knows what potentials lie in the mind of a small child; and what those potentials will develop into. That is what we have incorporated into this expression; "And man became a living soul." He had become conscious of his earthly surroundings and the purpose for which he was placed here. He has hands, feet, a complete physical body, enabling him to carry out all of what is incorporated in his intellect by his Creator. Adam, in that state, was a miniature Godlike creature. He was not "THE GOD," but he was an offspring of "THE GOD." That is why it is written, "In the image of God created He him;" because he was made in the image and likeness of the very Creator Himself. Not the body. It is the spirit of that man; that we read about in the 1st chapter of Genesis.

The body he was given, had a certain resemblance of the higher form of the animal kingdom he would eventually be the head of.

### THE GARDEN FOR ADAM WAS PREPARED BY THE CREATOR

Verse 8 shows us what God began to do; after He had rested through His Sabbath. "And the Lord God planted a garden eastward in Eden." Where would that be? That is a direction; and it sounds very specific; but as we study this, it is necessary that we read between the lines of what is written; if we are really going to understand what the garden He planted really was. Do not picture God as some man walking along with a sack hanging over His shoulder; and a hoe in His hand planting seed. That is not it. He is a Spirit. How can He plant something? The word "PLANT," is man's earthly terminology for what God did. He established a garden there. He placed a garden eastward in Eden. What kind of garden did God establish eastward in Eden? Let us first read the description of this place called Eden. The garden itself was not Eden. The garden was one thing, and Eden was another. The garden was in Eden; not Eden in the garden. Here is the description we get from the Bible itself. We will read verse 10; before we read verses 8 and 9. "And a river went out of Eden to water the garden; and from thence it was parted, and became into four heads." As you and I look at the planet earth today and seek to identify this place called Eden, we are looking at the area of Eden many centuries after this description was given. Remember, There was a flood 1600 and some years after Eden's geographical area appeared like this description. Therefore the geographical spot of earth called Eden, no longer shows us necessarily, the same description applied to it here. Notice the description connected to the river that was parted, and became into four heads. "The name of the first is Pison: that is it which compasseth the whole land of Havilah, where there is gold." If you looked at a map, especially in the back of your Bible, you will see that today, this is a dry, desert river bed that runs across the country of Saudi Arabia. "Where there is gold." That is where King Solomon got his gold from. "And the gold of that land is good: there is bdellium and the onyx stone. And the name of the second river is Gihon: the same is it that compasseth the whole land of Ethiopia." Notice the word compasseth. That is a word that sounds like it encircles, or as we would say, Runs around it. Yet when we look at it in a geographical way, maybe on one of the little maps in your Bible, where it shows the land of Egypt, or North Africa, Ethiopia is a plateau mountainous country south of Egypt. The Nile River, the head waters of it, start. Therefore the word compasseth, means it is the river that drains the whole land of Ethiopia. Where does it drop to? It keeps dropping, dropping from that plateau mountain region until it enters the land we call Egypt. Then it flows northward to the Mediterranean Sea. This is two of the rivers that distinguish the boundaries of where Eden was, in its original beginning. "And the name of the third river is Hiddekel: that is it which goeth toward the east of Assyria. And the fourth river is Euphrates." You look at your Bible maps and you will find these two rivers come from a general mountain region north of the countries of Iran and in through there. As that mountain region drains, it forks. One of the rivers becomes Euphrates, and the other is the Tigris. In our minds then, we can associate these rivers, where they are, and what they are related to. That gives you the natural, earthly, geographical area where God placed this garden for the sole purpose of again starting another cycle of life on this planet. This was for the reproduction of life; human life, plant life, and animal life, on the planet. The reason I am taking my time explaining this, is because there are a lot of religious critics in the world today who jump to conclusions, just like I used to do. We read in chapter 3, how God drove man from the garden of Eden, and it literally sounds like man was driven from a geographical locality; never to be allowed to return again. If that is the concept, or the fact of it, you will have to agree with me about this, Somewhere on the face of this earth today, There has to be an off-limits spot. A place where mankind is forbidden to trod. Go to your secular history; and you will find that all secular histories take our roots right back to the Middle East. There is where we all genetically sprang from. All secular histories refer to the Middle East, which I have just read about, as being the Fertile Crescent. All histories that deal with man's civilization, and the rise of all empires, date back to that original beginning place. The Bible is a book compiled and written by people that lived in the Middle East. Why am I saying that? We have to begin to see the garden altogether different than just a place where some trees grew. Keep in mind, Eden was geographically lying between those river border boundaries. That means it was between the Nile and the Tigris, the Havilah and the Mediterranean. In there, is the area where God ordained to put man. In there, is where He put something else also; which was different than just mere trees like we see out here today. When man was driven from the garden, he was not driven from a geographical place where those natural trees grew. **He was driven from the**

**spiritual paradise God had placed there with those plant life trees.** Let me phrase it like this, Wherever God geographically purposed to initiate the beginning of the new cycle of life on this planet, He placed a little bit of heaven there; so the man whom He created in His own image and likeness, if he did everything right, could live to enjoy the eternal presence, and the eternal peace and happiness of God being there with him. That is what we have attempted to call attention to, on this little chart we are using. When we read verses 8 and 9, it says, "And the Lord God planted a garden eastward in Eden; and there He put the man whom He had formed. And out of the ground made the Lord God to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight, and good for food; THE TREE OF LIFE ALSO IN THE MIDST OF THE GARDEN, AND THE TREE OF KNOWLEDGE OF GOOD AND EVIL." Every tree that is pleasant to the sight, and good for food; certainly speaks of natural, plant life trees. These are the natural things that man can relate himself to today; because he is earthly minded. That is why the apostle Paul speaks in 1st Corinthians, that this man is earthly. (15:47-49) "The first man is of the earth, earthy: the second man is the Lord from heaven. As is the earthy, such are they also that are earthy: and as is the heavenly, such are they also that are heavenly. And as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly." He was showing the difference between God's created son and His begotten Son; and how redemption will make the earthy into the image of the heavenly. He speaks of Jesus who is heavenly; to show the contrast. In what way is man earthly, compared to Jesus who is the heavenly? Is it because Jesus did not have a nose that looked like ours? Is it because He did not have ears that looked like ours? Was it because His hair looked different than ours? No. That is not what you look at; trying to find out what is heavenly and what is earthly. The whole concept is this, Natural mankind can only think in an earthly way. He is only capable of relating himself to those things that are natural; things he can touch, see, smell, hear, and taste. When he tries to look beyond this material realm, he gets lost. Not so with Jesus; the begotten Son of God; He was just as familiar with the spirit world as He was the natural world; when He walked the earth revealing the name of the Father to lost mankind. You will remember how, when He began to choose the disciples one went and got Nathaniel; saying to him, Come see a man who we believe is the Christ. Nathaniel was like a lot of religious people today; just plain critical of everything anyone else says or believes. Where did He come from? Where did He go to school? What seminary did He come out of? (I am only calling your attention to a spirit that has always been present any time God has ever done anything that did not fit into the religious mold of the main-line religionists of whatever hour it was.) They said to Nathaniel, Out of Nazareth. Evidently Nazareth did not have a very good name in that hour of time; for Nathaniel said, Can any good thing come out of Nazareth? Well come and see. (You are always obligated before you criticize; to come and see for yourself.) He went with them; and here is what happened. While he was coming into the very presence of Jesus, before he got too close, Jesus looked at him and said, Behold an Israelite in whom there is no guile. Nathaniel's mouth dropped open; and he replied, How did you know me? Jesus said, While you were under the fig tree I saw you. (That took more than mere human vision to see that.) He immediately yelled out, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God. Jesus said, If you think that is something, stick around a little while. After this, you will see the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man. (I am just paraphrasing) Jesus was constantly aware of the presence of angelic beings in His life. What does that tell you? The spirit world was not a million miles away. How many can see that? Even when He went to the desert and prayed for 40 days and 40 nights, fasting, we find that they were right there to minister to Him. At the end of that time He hungered; and what does the scriptures tell us? That particular account tells us that when His temptation was finished, angels came and strengthened Him. God the Father, the great eternal Spirit, allowed His Son to be faced with the greatest trial in His life; but when it was over, Satan knew God had ONE SON he could not lead astray. Satan was allowed to come to Him in all his power, to see if He could be tempted to go against the will of His Father. He was tempted in three areas of what He Himself was ordained to become, in the course of His total ministry and purpose. When Jesus had used the scriptures to defeat His adversary, naturally He had gone through the greatest cycle of tests He would be faced with before the final attack when He would be nailed to that old cross where He died to pay the sin debt for all who would ever believe. That certainly should convince all who would ever be tested by this evil adversary later, that the devil cannot stand up against the word of God; if we will just use it properly. We cannot stand up against him with just our words alone; we have to use the sword of the Spirit; which is the word of God. The apostle Paul tells us that the weapons of our warfare are not carnal; and in the Ephesian epistle he admonished them, saying, "And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God." You can read the 6th chapter; and find out what the armor of the true child of God is; and let me say this, You must be dressed in this armor before you can effectively use the sword of the Spirit.

## THE TRUTH ABOUT TWO CONTROVERSIAL TREES

We have got to get a knowledge of what the first four chapters in the Bible is all about; if we are going to get very far with our revelation of the other scriptures scattered throughout the Bible that people have wrestled with for centuries. If we can understand these chapters, it gives us, especially here in the end time, an understanding of why mankind in this hour of time has fallen to the lowest state of morality the civilized world this side of the great flood has ever known. I see no way Sodom and Gomorrah could have been worse than what this very generation upon the face of the earth has fallen to. The human race has decayed and degenerated to a place where great multitudes literally despise the idea of a Creator; and the idea that there is such a thing as a God of righteousness that will one day judge their unrighteous deeds. People of the world today, live an immoral life that they are no longer ashamed of. All of that just simply lets us know for sure, that the word of God is true; for there is nothing new in all of this ungodliness. Everything that is going on now in our present society, started a long time ago; back here in this part of the garden. Therefore what I am saying is this, The garden God planted, (Gen. 2:8) was not more trees, because the trees were already growing. They come up out of the ground, that is where all plant life was. God had already told man, while in his spirit makeup, Every tree, and every herb bearing seed of its kind, is for meat. Those things are for the physical appetite to be satisfied; and to replenish the nutrients of the physical body. We enjoy the aroma and taste of this natural food which comes from the plant life trees God caused to grow out of the ground; but there in the garden was two other trees that did not grow out of the ground. Let us read verse 9, "And out of the ground made the Lord God to grow every tree that is pleasant (notice, out of the ground) to the sight, and good for food; (but when we come to these next two trees, it does not tell you they are growing out of the ground.) the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of knowledge of good and evil." All of those other trees were natural vegetation, plant life trees that were ordained to grow from their source of origin. Whether they were apple trees, the peach trees, fig trees, or whatever, they were all growing out of the ground. Those trees are in relationship geographically to the areas of where these river boundaries are established; but the garden that God planted, speaks of how He relates Himself to the man's surroundings; endowing him with a little bit of heaven here on earth. It was called paradise; because it was where the spirit world and the natural world were put together. Therefore when He puts a little bit of heaven over this, (the literal planet we live on) then we cannot help but see how angels can be seen in the background. The glory of God can be seen radiating through such a beautiful environment. The two trees in the **MIDST** of the garden, the one of knowledge, and the one of life were not plant life trees. They were figurative trees; because they are two basic laws the Creator placed before the man He created. Did you know the whole universe functions around two basic laws? It comes right on down through the entire Bible; right and wrong, good and bad, true and false, clean and unclean, up and down. That is how the whole universe functions. What is right? It is the way God wants things to be. What is wrong? It is the opposite of what God desires or requires; which is the way fallen mankind is constantly going. What is the opposite of truth? It is a lie; and Jesus said the devil is the father of lies. Notice in John 8:44, where those Jewish religious leaders were contending with Jesus, what He finally said to them. "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. We can define a lie like this; It is truth perverted. What is the opposite of good? Something bad. What is the opposite of clean? Something unclean, dirty. What is the opposite of up? It is down. These are the basic laws of how this whole thing functions. I am saying these things in this manner, endeavoring to help you see what the two trees in the **MIDST** of the garden were; before we go on into the rest of it. God placed this paradise, this spiritual realm, right here on earth; and He put the first man Adam there, with a commission and a command. Let us read the 15th verse. "And the Lord God took the man, and put him into the garden of Eden." For what purpose? Notice that it says, the garden of Eden. You have to see the geographical place and the paradise all together. It is a little bit of heaven blended together with earth. Would it not be wonderful if we lived in a time when you could get up on a morning with the sun shining, and could look out across the horizon and see angelic beings going about their duties, and see the Spirit of God radiating itself through the atmosphere, and could feel His great presence all around you? That presence would bring a feeling of contentment and peace, and there would be no one crying; nor worrying about anything today. There will be no one suffering with pain today. There would be no one dying today. Everything could have been this wonderful; if the man would have just simply obeyed the voice of his Creator; instead of disobeying. Well saints, one of these days it is going to be just like that; when this wonderful plan of redemption is completed. One of these days, just as the Bible says, The lion

shall eat straw like the bull ox. Well I believe that is in heaven; some may say. Heaven is a spirit world; and this is a literal scene upon earth. The reason I say these things, is not to belittle people who may think like that; but to be sure the truth is available to those who desire to know the truth. Religion has come down through the centuries of time, with different one's carrying their little satchels of traditional ideas for all of their kind to follow; and the true revelation of God's word is the only thing that can break that yoke. Every Sunday morning they go to church; and in their mind they have a little picture of how they look at God, salvation, and religion in general; but as far as revealed truth goes, many of them say, Bless God, I'm not changing for anyone. What I believe, was good enough for my saintly old Grandparents; so it is good enough for me. I am going to church this morning just like I always do; and I dare anyone to say I should be doing more. All through life, some people carry these hand-me-down, traditional ideas; never having any hunger for the reality God's word holds for those who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and they get steaming hot under the collar; when anyone even suggests that there is more to it than that. When they are actually confronted with the facts of the matter they say, Well that is not what the Bible says. Saints: It is all in what you are looking for, when you read the Bible. If the only thing you desire to see, is what your Grandpa saw; you will likely still be here looking at just that, when the true bride of Jesus Christ has already gone to the marriage supper. We are very prone to read certain things in the Bible, and just get a traditional picture; unless something has happened to get our thinking stirred up; and given us a desire to seek after God in a new way; simply because we are born into this world with a nature to be so carnal. That is why the Baptists, the Methodists, the Presbyterians, every since the Reformation was started, have fought against each other. The Baptists fought the Methodists because of the doctrine of sanctification; saying, Nobody can live it like that. That teaching is out of the pit. The Methodists on the other hand, turn right around and say, That doctrine of eternal security that you Baptists believe, (once saved always saved) is out of the pit. Then they say the same thing about the Presbyterians; because of the doctrine of predestination. Well I am thankful to know that all of these are true Bible doctrines; if you ever get them put together right; and they all belong to the true Church of the Lord Jesus Christ. When you take one truth from the Bible, get it completely out of context, then try to interpret everything else to fit that, you always come up with a mess of traditional garbage that is everything else but the word of God. It was not like that in the apostolic beginning. Keep in mind, the New Testament was not written by Presbyterians, Baptists, Methodists, nor Catholics. It was written by Jewish apostles; who came to the Gentiles and brought the truth. When they delivered it to the Gentiles, it was still in its unadulterated form. Time, and human carnality has brought it to where it is today. That is why we say, If we are living in the end time, and You would have to be blind as a bat to say otherwise, we have to begin to do as the apostle Paul admonished the believers at Philippi; (2:5) "Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus." When we begin to take on His mind, and become subject to the leading of the Holy Spirit, and we begin to get an understanding of what started way back here in the garden of Eden, we can easily see what has caused the world 6000 years later, to be in this decayed, corrupt, low state of spirituality and morality. It all started with the disobedience of that first man and woman. No they were not filthy and corrupt; they just merely disobeyed their Creator's command to them; and forced Him to have to impute to them that sentence of death, and estrangement from His divine presence; which opened up the way for Satan to inject all the rest of what we see in the world today. Conditions like we have in the world about us, do not get like that instantly; they build to what they are little by little; as Christians let down on their former convictions; and begin to compromise with the world. It has always been the Spirit of God working through His dedicated children; that has restrained the forces of evil that have always been present in every age. As Christians let down, the devil's crowd moves in. The devil has something to offer you, to replace every virtue of godliness you have ever had; but he cannot force anything upon you; until you begin to compromise with the world. As Adam and Eve are pictured walking away from this, I want you to know one thing, they were not walking from the geographical area. They were being turned away from that divine presence of God; that had made the earth like a little part of heaven; and they were never able to enter into it again. The two angels with flaming swords, were placed between them and what they had been separated from; and I want you to know assuredly that they were not standing at a gate of a fenced area like natural minded man is so prone to picture it; like maybe with a wrought iron fence around a beautiful garden Eden. If that is what it was, then it would still be there. No saints, the angels were placed between God and the man; guarding the man's knowledge of how to enter into that divine presence; or spiritual environment. When Adam and Eve were driven from that, no man or woman, from that day until this, has ever been able to press themselves into the presence of God. Why were these drastic measures taken? Simply because Adam and Eve partook of fruit from the forbidden tree. No they did not eat fruit with their mouth; from a natural, plant life tree; it was their family tree, so to



Speak, that this picture reveals. I know the literal words in our King James translation of the Bible says, "She took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat; but when you receive the true revelation of what their disobedience was, you realize that the word partook, would have been a better translation.

### AN INSPECTION OF THE FRUIT FROM TWO CERTAIN TREES

When God had planted a garden in this beautiful paradise place, then what? Let us notice what it says here; in Genesis 2:16-17. "And the Lord God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat: (That much is certainly clear enough; **OF EVERY TREE OF THE GARDEN**, so where did the trouble lie? Notice verse 17.) **But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil**, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die." In plain language, that says this, Every tree of the garden is for you to partake of. They are for your food. Remember the exact words of Genesis 2:9, "And out of the ground made the Lord God to grow **every tree that is pleasant to the sight, and good for food**; the tree of life also in the **midst** (Not in the middle, but in the MIDST) of the garden, and the tree of knowledge of good and evil." Whatever you picture these trees growing out of the ground itself to be, whether apple trees, banana trees, or what, they were all plant life trees; and they were for God's human family to freely partake of, for food. All the other herbs, the tomatoes, whatever else it is that was growing in the earth, that was for food. "**But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil**, (Where was this tree? IN THE MIDST OF THE GARDEN.) thou shalt not eat of it: (partake of it) for in the day that thou eatest thereof (or in the day that thou dost partake of this tree) thou shalt surely die." He called their attention to this particular tree; that is one sure thing; but that tree was not seen growing out of the ground; it was a spiritual law; and so was the tree of life. I would still say this, if I had a hundred doctors of divinity with their Hebrew and Greek, sitting looking me straight in the eye. If those trees were plant life, that one would still be here today. Yes saints, it would still be here today; and so would the other one. All of the plant life trees that grew out of the ground there in Eden, are scattered all over the face of the earth. However because of the various climates throughout the earth, time and temperature has adjusted nature to establish the present existing plant life in the regions where it is compatible to what they are; but they are still here; and for the same reason, for food. I want you to know that man, for 6000 years, has been living off this tree, (The tree of knowledge) in search of this one (The tree of life). If either one of them was growing out of the ground, you would be able to see them today. Man has been in search of the fountain of life. Man has been in search of the tree of life; because he wants to live forever; but it is nowhere around; for natural man to see with his natural eye. Isaiah chapter 11, tells us that Jesus is the righteous branch, and He is the tree of life. How did Jesus get to become the tree of life? We will see that as we continue on. In verse 18, notice that the man is in this beautiful paradise place; "And the Lord God said, It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him an help meet for him;" but where was the female spirit? It was still incorporated within the male spirit of the man God made out of the dust of the earth. Let me say though, Adam, as we read about him, was not a man with a split personality. Neither was he physically half man and half woman. The Creator did not design him to be a misfit. He knew what He was doing when He fashioned that vessel of clay. It had two arms, two hands, a trunk, legs, and we would have to say, Physically it is designed like we would think of man in perfect healthy stature. He did not have a split personality; one day acting like a woman, the next day like a man. What does this tell us? We have to realize, the Creator had designed and planned this whole process of His new beginning to set in motion, right there in that beautiful paradise and portion of the earth, something that was going to foreshadow how redemption will unfold in the centuries to come. God knew man would sin. All you have to do is read the New Testament to know that. Therefore at this particular time, while the man and female spirit are still incorporated in the one vessel of clay, verse 19 says, "And out of the ground the Lord God formed every beast of the field, and every fowl of the air; and brought them unto Adam to see what he would call them: and whatsoever Adam called every living creature, that was the name thereof." (He was forming the bodies, and putting that spirit life in them.) Here came the new animal kingdom; the elephant, the giraffe, the cow, male and female. Here come the dog; and all the rest; but you cannot call them by breed. There were no Hereford, Angus, Holstein, Red Durham, or any such thing among them. The cows were cows; and likewise with every other creature. However God had incorporated in the bodies of these cows, certain genetic laws; as well as all the other living creatures, that would serve His purpose throughout the ages. Man, being an offspring of His, (the Creator) the God that created all of these first beings and incorporated

a reproductive law within the physical bodies, knew that man, sooner or later, because he is in His own image, would learn these genetic possibilities; and with this knowledge, would be able to bring forth the various breeds we have in the earth today. No man has not surprised the Creator; with his great discoveries of genetic possibilities; the Creator, that created the genes designed it to be like that. To the critics, and agnostics, as they are called, Is it not strange that the first book of the Bible is called Genesis? Why do I say that? Because the very word itself means, History of the genes. It is not the history of the apples. It is the history of the genes. Religion has been reading Genesis for hundreds of years; thinking the word Genesis, was just another word. Look it up for yourself; if you have any doubt; and see what it means. The word literally means, The history and origin of the genes and the generations that came forth through time. "And Adam gave names to all cattle, and to the fowl of the air, and to every beast of the field; but for Adam there was not found an help meet for him." Those animals were help meets; but in what way were they help? God designed the animal kingdom to be just as they were. If we can look back through time, they were to be instrumental with man; as he went about to fulfill that part of his commission which required him to subdue the earth. Adam was given the responsibility of seeing that everything was kept in a proper balance. Plant life, and animal life was to be produced in a proper balance upon the face of this earth. Think of the horse, which scientists say evolved from a prehistoric creature that at one time had three toes. I do not deny the possibility that there were prehistoric creatures that had three toes and looked like a dog; but the horses I have, did not come from dogs. They do not bark like dogs either. When God cursed that prehistoric world, all those creatures died in that judgment. When He made this generation of horses, they have never barked since. They have always had one hoof. It is very strange they can find skeletons with three toes; but they never can show you where they lost the second one and wound up with one. It is all just a presumptuous idea; with no real foundation. Naturally if those educated men of world recognition ever hear me say this, they will say, That is just your own idea; you have no proof of it. Well, that is their own idea; and neither do they have any proof for what they want to make out of what they find. That is the only way we can look at it. As we get back to Gen. 2:20 "And Adam gave names to all cattle, and to the fowl of the air, and to every beast of the field; but for Adam there was not found an help meet for him," we ask the question, What is the Lord going to do now, because the female spirit is incorporated with the masculine spirit? Let us think seriously about the process God used to form a body of flesh for Adam's wife to dwell in. Why did God do it that way? Here is the best way I can illustrate it; because the thing He did to bring forth the woman, separating her from the man, typed how God, in the centuries of time ahead, would work His work of redemption. His foreknowledge let Him know exactly how all of this would come about. He knew sin would come into the picture; and the man would fall from his original state. He knew man would have to be driven from the presence of his Creator because of it; and He knew He would have to be the ONE to redeem him from that fallen state. All of these things were in the mind of the Creator as one panoramic picture; covering everything that would ever transpire throughout all ages. Man would journey down through time lost and undone; and he would need to be redeemed; and God already knowing the process of how He would redeem him, foreshadowed, or typed that process when He took Adam's wife from his side. You should every one read the first chapter of Ephesians; and see what the apostle Paul said about this great mind of the Creator. Maybe we should just read verses 3-13, real quick; before going on. I know we use this scripture a lot; but I ask you this, Why not? It tells the story we need to be assured of; and in a very few words. Eph. 1:3, "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ: According as He (The Creator, GOD, the father of all creation) hath chosen us in Him (JESUS) before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love: Having (notice) predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the good pleasure of HIS WILL, To the praise of the glory of His grace, wherein He hath made us accepted in the beloved. In whom we have redemption through His blood, (the blood of Jesus) the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace; Wherein He hath abounded toward us in all wisdom and prudence; Having made known unto us the mystery of His will, according to His good pleasure which He hath purposed in Himself: That in the dispensation of the fulness of times He might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth; even in Him: In whom also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the purpose of HIM who worketh all things after the counsel of HIS own will: That we should be to the praise of His glory, who first trusted in Christ. In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise." It tells us we were elected, we were foreknown, chosen in Christ, in the mind of God, before the foundation of the world. That is just about as plain as it can be said. God knew the decision every one of us, as sinners, born

in our particular season, would make. He knew the ones who would reject. He knew the ones who would accept. Therefore since He foreknew, then He could rightly choose those He saw accepting His provision, to be redeemed in and through His begotten Son, the Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore this was His plan, His purpose. We were elected in Him. Our names were written in the Lamb's Book of Life before the foundation of the world. When Jesus was hanging on the cross, from His side came blood and water, the very ingredients God would use to redeem from a creation of lost mankind, a people that would be called His Church, a people that would eventually be identified collectively as His Son's wife.

### FIRST LOOK AT ADAM'S WIFE

Just as GOD put the first Adam to sleep and took from his side a rib from which He fashioned a body for his wife to dwell in, (Gen.2:21, "And the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon Adam, and he slept: and He (GOD, the Creator) took one of his ribs, (This was the first surgery ever performed; and I might say also, That was the first time a laser knife was ever used. Today scientists are using laser technology to cut out a cancer, to destroy gall stones; and all sorts of things. I know nothing at all about how it works. I do know one thing for sure though, it has to be a fact that God is the author of that laser. He has just allowed man to learn how to harness it.) and closed up the flesh instead thereof; And the rib, which the Lord God had taken from man, made He a woman, and brought her unto the man.") so is He taking from the side of the second Adam, a wife for Him. It says, God put Adam to sleep and removed from him a rib. I have said many times, When God took from him a rib, He took a little meat with it. Woman is not all bone. There had to be a little of his flesh there too. Keep in mind, He did not give her rough features that would make her look like a man. Physically He designed her to be completely feministic. He designed her psychologically, to be dainty, to like flowers, to be sensitive to the smell of things of nature. God is not a she; as some people today try to make Him. He is always addressed in the scriptures as masculine. However we do need to realize, that even though He is not a PERSON, existing in a form or body, (He is a sovereign Spirit that fills all of His creation.) He does definitely have certain feminine qualities about Him. Through those feminine qualities, or attributes He can relate to the female offspring; and inspire them to function and serve His purpose upon the earth. The woman had her commission right along with the man you know; while they were both still only spirit beings without a human form. After God took the rib from Adam and made the woman, He brought her to the man. That brings us to the end of verse 22. God did not have to put Adam in a recovery room to recuperate from his surgery. When God finished the process He brought the woman to the man; and here is how Adam responded. (Verse 23) "And Adam said, This is now bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh: she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man." You might say, How did Adam know what had happened? Do not forget; he was created in the image of his Creator. There was no soreness, nor any stitches. God did not have to sew him up. For a long time, people have said that man is missing one rib; because God took one rib out of the first man. Count your ribs, you have the same number on each side. Adam went through the rest of his life minus one rib; but all normal children born since then, male or female, have the same number ribs on each side. Verse 24, is where Adam prophesied about the future union between man and woman in time to come. After he declared that she would be called woman, here is what he prophesied. "Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh." That was God's original plan, one man, one woman; to set the process of how life would be propagated on this earth. Verse 25, "And they were both naked, the man and his wife, and were not ashamed." Why were they not ashamed? They had never done anything to be ashamed about; because they did not have the knowledge to know what wrong was. They were innocent. When anyone is innocent, they do not have the knowledge that they have done wrong; therefore they do not go about with a feeling of guilt or condemnation hanging over them. The mind of such a person is free of that. If Adam and Eve had continued on through time without disobeying the word of God given to them in their commission, there never would have been any reason for anyone to wear clothes to cover their nakedness. Partaking of that tree of knowledge is what made them conscious of the fact that they were naked; and they immediately tried to cover themselves by binding fig leaves together to wear like aprons. That did not surprise their Creator though; for He already knew they would do what they did; and that a way of redemption would have to be brought into the picture. That is why the Lord Jesus Christ is presented in the Bible, as the Lamb slain from before the foundation of the earth. It is as we have said; God's whole plan for the planet earth and its inhabitants was worked out in His infinite mind before He ever created anything. You can find that in Acts 15:18. Here is what the scripture says, "Known unto

God are all his works from the beginning of the world." Saints: We are ready to go into chapter 3, of Genesis; as we look at the beginning of all the things our lives are associated with; but I want to reserve that for another time; (Our next issue) and use the remainder of this issue to make you aware of something that has come to my attention.

### WHAT CRITICS WRITE

I want to read to you, an article that was published by Bold Truth Press Inc. Box 19280 Denver, Colorado.. The title of this article is, Evaluating the Prophets, William Branham & Sam Fife, The Manifest Sons Basic Theology And Its Influences on the Kingdom Teaching. I want to read some of the things this writer has put into print; and make a few remarks myself, realizing that some of you may have received this paper also. When I read this, I could not help but think, 'I understand what you are looking at, but you are attacking things in complete ignorance; because there are some things you could say, that you refrain from mentioning.' The article starts out by attacking a certain teaching in the land today; a teaching which we do not go along with either; but at least we realize there is such a teaching in the Bible; and that there will be a time when that teaching will be a fulfilled, manifested reality. That of course, is when Jesus comes back to earth to rule and reign; and these sons of God are with Him. You read it in Romans 8:18-19. It will be helpful to you to read above and below these two verses; but we will read enough to establish the fact that there is such a mention in the Bible. Rom. 8:18 "For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us. (19) For the earnest expectation of the creature waiteth for the manifestation of the sons of God."

## THE TWO LAWS OF EDEN

### THE RIGHT- AND THE WRONG

This person is condemning the latter rain movement; and says, (First let me ask, How many of you have heard of the Manifest Sons, or the Latter Rain Movement? This is not a particular denomination, but rather a movement within many of our denominations.) "This Gnostic heresy entered the church today with promises of higher revelation and an invitation into a higher realm than they had before. It is not new. In the book of Colossians we see the apostle Paul refuting this old heresy: 'there is nothing new under the sun.' The Gnostics of Paul's day believed they possessed the "gnosis" (Greek) or knowledge and that until you possessed what they had, you did not receive the fullness of God. In the late forties, a movement known as the "Manifest Sons" or the "Latter Rain Movement" took place in North Battlefield, Saskatchewan, Canada. Bill Britton, one of its later leaders, gives the date as February 11, 1948. Some of the early leaders of this movement were George and Ernest Hawtin and George Warnock. This was in the late forties. Then later William Branham brought this doctrine into many churches." Brothers and sisters: Bro. Branham never did teach anything like that. Any of you people who knew Bro. Branham, know for sure that he did not teach any such thing. I sat under his ministry from 1952 until he was taken off the scene in 1965; and I know for sure, he never taught any such doctrine. That is why I say, When you do not know what the truth is, you just take what someone else says and jump right on it; to criticize it and paint a negative picture; and 9 times out of 10 you will paint yourself into a corner. Therefore when we do put this message in print, rest assured this person will get one of our papers. I want this person to know, You are not listening to this from a man who vaguely heard of William Branham. From 1952 until he was taken off the scene, he never taught the manifestation of the sons of God, the way this person claims; the way the Latter Rain movement did. To him, the manifestation of the sons of God was something to be fulfilled in the coming of Christ according to Romans 8; and in the glorious reign with Him. Let me continue to read. "A book written in 1951, the Feast of Tabernacles by George Warnock is one of the most influential books, even to this date, for those who adhere to this doctrine. William Branham, once a Baptist minister, became known among the Pentecostal churches as a man of God and great prophet. He taught that the fall of man was sexual, (notice as I read these words, what this person says that he said,) and that Eve and Satan had a sexual union which produced Cain." He never taught any such thing as that. I say to the writer of this article, If you read our article, please send me the book where he said Eve and Satan had a sexual union. What he said was, that Eve and the serpent, not Satan, had a sexual union that produced Cain; and I say,

Amen, to that; for it is the truth. The serpent was not Satan, and Satan was not the serpent; but Satan, (the devil) used the serpent creature, (which was not a snake at that time) to get Eve to disobey the Creator. When you read in Genesis chapters 2 and 3, where the serpent comes on the scene, please be assured of this; he is not the devil; and he is not Adam. Neither was he a worm, nor a snake; he was the most intelligent creature of all the animal kingdom; and he carried on a vocal conversation with Eve. He was a servant creature; endowed with that ability. It is from that very point in time; that we have to get Genesis straightened out in our mind's. I will finish reading this; then close the thought for now. "This led Branham to teach two opposite seeds, and the need for the special seed to herald the second coming of Christ. Branham believed that the "true seed" was the offspring of the sexual union between Adam and Eve, and the "false seed" was the offspring of the sexual union between Satan and Eve. The true seed produced Abel, while the false seed produced Cain. Branham was not the first to propose this idea." Well that is the truth; Bro. Branham was not the first one to teach on the seed of the serpent. Some of you may have heard of the Puritan doctrine? They were the old Puritan people out of which came the Quaker movement in England. They had a vague picture of this truth. Out of the old Quaker movement came the Shaker movement, founded by a woman down in Shaker Town, Kentucky. They had a vague concept of this; but Bro. Branham had the revelation of the thing that got mankind off course. We will read some more. "Branham was not the first to propose this idea. Others before had taught this, along with Reverend Moon of the Unification Church. They refer to this as the "serpent's seed teaching. (That is the man from Korea. I personally, do not know what he taught; but we do not brand Christendom with Moonie from Korea. Error is error. It matters not whether it came from the Catholic Church, or Mr. Moon; if it is error, it is error. That is the point we want to establish. You just simply cannot correct error with more error; which is what this article is mixed with.) "In the book Footprints on the Sands of Time, (pages 627-648) Branham told Christians to flee all churches." (I say likewise, The time has come, if you do not want to go to the same place they are destined to go, and spiritually fall with them, get out of them. They have all joined in a false unity; that cannot ever produce the kind of unity God's word speaks of. No, if your revelation is no deeper than that, stay with it; but remember, If you want to be like the early Church, then get out of those systems of religion; because the Methodists, the Baptists, the Presbyterians, the Unitarian, the Christian Science, Seventh Day Adventists, and all the rest of them are divided over the word of God. However according to God's word, there is going to be a people here in the end time; brought back to the same knowledge and revelation that the early Church had; a people that holds the Bible to be the foundation of their faith and experience in Jesus Christ. They know how to live and walk with Him.) "William Branham became one of the key leaders in the Manifest Sons doctrine. (He did not.) in the 1950's and early 1960's. He believed that the "true seed" would deliver the world and would be a specially called-out group of Christians, the "Sons." He was able to bring this doctrine into the church through the healing manifestations of his ministry. (He taught no such thing; even though He did pray for the sick.) Many of the churches opened their pulpits to this and welcomed him without questioning his doctrine. He confused many in the church. Kurt Koch, in his book Occult Bondage and Deliverance, wrote that during the healing services Branham would fall into a trance and his "angel" would do the healing work, (Notice how they want to criticize.) telling him who to lay hands on and whom to send away. Branham was merely a slave to this "angel." Later in his ministry the "angel" had so much control over him that he would not go anywhere without the "angel" giving him permission. When Branham was questioned if the supernatural healings were done by the Holy Spirit, he replied, "No, my angel does it." Saints: I know that is not true; but there are people in the world today, that like to hear such things; so just expect to keep on hearing and reading such as this until God draws the curtain closed; and that mighty angel of Revelation 10, lifts His hand to heaven and declares that there shall be time no longer. That is when all of this kind of criticism will cease; and not before. Therefore at various times through this message, I am going to read sketches out of this article, that fit the part of the message we are dealing with. I have read this much, at this time, to set the stage for our next look into the book of Genesis; where we will definitely deal with what caused the fall of man; and got the whole world in the mess it is in. I hope none of you feel that I am taking a long time to get to the point in this particular part of our message; but I know there is a lot of religion criticism in the world today; so I want to take my time and make it scripturally clear. I am presenting this in this way; because I do not want to deceive anyone; but at least give everyone a chance to see a true picture, and give them a chance to get a proper understanding of how to look at things. When we are finished, then each of you can judge for yourselves whether we teach truth or not; but you will have to do it by the word of God, instead of the word of some critic that only knows half of the truth about the things they write about.

People who have a scriptural point they want to make will say, Just give it the WORD test; and of course that is exactly what we should do when we hear something we are not familiar with. However as you have heard me say so many times, Everyone has his own idea as to what the Bible means by what it says. That is why I said earlier, The Baptists fought the Methodists for years over sanctification. They just simply could not see the teaching, how it applied to the individual's experience and walk with God. Likewise the Methodists fought the Baptist people because they just simply could not see the reality of once saved, always saved; which is eternal security. They judged the Baptists because of that teaching. It is all in the Bible; but different groups see it different ways; and that is why there is so many different denominations in the ranks of professing Christians today. The early Christians to whom the New Testament was written, had no need to divide up into different denominations; because they all believed the same thing. They were not Catholics, nor Lutherans, nor Baptists, nor Methodists, nor Presbyterians, Church of Christ, Unitarians, Christian Science, nor anything else other than Christians. They were all of one body of people (throughout the old world) that believed what had been taught by those apostles who walked with Jesus; and that apostle Jesus called, while he was out persecuting Christians. Paul did not walk with Jesus during the 3 1/2 years He ministered on earth; but when the Spirit of God took him out into the Arabian Desert, and taught him for 3 years, he came back believing and preaching the same revelation all those other apostles preached; and that is what Christians of that day believed. The New Testament believers continued like that; until Satan managed to inject his presence into their assemblies. He is a spirit also; and he also inspires people to do and say things the same way the Spirit of God does. First he began to cause certain one's to bring into the different assemblies, things that were not truth. That was not possible in the very beginning of the New Testament Church; because only genuine believers dared to join themselves to that Holy Ghost filled, God fearing group of people; but as time passed, and the first generation of believers began to leave the scene, that left some in places of leadership that did not have a complete revelation of the word of God. That gave Satan an opportunity to get into the Church; and he has been going to church ever since then. That which was untruth began to divide that which was made and put together by truth; so that by the time the 5th century rolled around, the original apostolic Christian Church seemed to have left the scene completely. For the next one thousand years the world groped in spiritual darkness, comparable to no other era of human history. In secular history it was called the Dark Ages; because Romanism had taken out every cardinal teaching of the Bible that the early Christians believed; and substituted their own dogmas, creeds, and ceremonial rituals in place of them. That is why there had to be a Reformation; which started about 1500 A.D. The Reformation has been by bits and pieces though; because each movement that came out of an older system would just go so far with the Spirit of God, and then they would stop and build a fence around what they had; and never go a step beyond what they had fenced in. Naturally that would force the few that did hunger for more, to have to go out from them, in order to follow the leading of the Spirit of God that is always present to fill those who hunger and thirst for righteousness; and for more revelation of His word. One thing is sure though; any time anyone ventures out beyond those old denominational fences, they are sure to be warned against becoming involved with a cult. That is what those Doctors of Divinity call everything that does not originate from within their particular circle of belief. There are all kinds of cults in the world today; and you can know they are cults if you will take the time to examine their activities; but the mere fact that some people in this world choose to worship the Creator in the same atmosphere, and in the same revelation as the first century Christians, does not make them a cult. There are all sorts of things being done in the name of some religious group in this hour of time; things you know for sure are demon inspired activities; and that keeps a lot of hungry souls from even daring to venture out to seek truth, lest they get caught up in something that is a cult. I do not mean to glorify the devil; but we would have to be very foolish not to realize how cunning he is; and how determined he is, to bring reproach upon everyone who endeavors to serve the God of heaven in truth. Why is Satan stirring up so much trouble in the ranks of Christianity, you may say? Simply because he knows his time is short. He knows a lot more about the word of God than a lot of professing Christians in our day; and you can be assured of something else also, he knows what got Adam and Eve off the track; and he knows what will get a lot of people off the track today. That is why he has sin painted up to look so beautiful; and every wrong thing made to look so right. What we are approaching in this 3rd chapter as we continue on our subject, is so important I just have to say things in a way that will cause certain doctors of divinity who think they are smart, to set up and take notice. I do not mean that they should take notice of me; but of something I feel I have to say; because I have read what they have said. What they have said does not even sound like common sense. Many are saying, What does it matter, what took place in the garden, just as long as we are

saved? That is one human way to look at things; but with that attitude they could just as easily say, What does it matter what the New Testament says? Modern day religion has just about come to that place already; for their one theme is, It matters not what you believe, just as long as you believe in Jesus. The truth is, If Jesus appeared to us Gentiles tomorrow, like He did to the Jews 2000 years ago, most religions would be ready to crucify Him just like they did. The reason they could not accept Him, was because He did not come down the road 2000 years ago agreeing with religious rituals. The religion they had brought them together every Sabbath day for the reading of the scriptures of the prophets, which told them of a Messiah which was to come. Yet one day when He did come walking down the river bank to be baptized by John, and later offered Himself to them according to the words of the prophets, were they spiritually ready to receive Him? No. Why were they not ready? Because their spiritual minds were already set to a preconceived theory concerning the awaited Messiah, according to what we now call theology; and He just simply did not measure up to their expectations. When He taught them from the scriptures, that religious bunch of Pharisees probably said, That is not what I believe. Did that hinder the Messiah from coming? No. He came anyway; doing exactly what the great Creator led Him to do. He came right down the pathway of life, walked right into religious headquarters at Jerusalem, and began to preach. They all got angry with Him; because He did things, and said things completely contrary to the way they had believed He should; if He truly were their Messiah they had waited for according to their interpretation of their own scriptures. Well after 1900 years of the gospel, our religious world is the same way. Where did it all start? All the way back in the Garden of Eden, when Adam and Eve chose to go against the instructions their Creator had given them. In that beautiful place of paradise, which was the beginning, both of an earthly plant life, and an earthly animal kingdom. Adam and Eve were both naked and not ashamed; because there had been no sin committed that would cause them to be conscious of any wrong doing. They did not know what sin was. That is why, as we come to chapter 3, chapter 3 is not the beginning of the genealogy of the human race. Chapter 3 tells us how Adam and Eve had been instructed in chapter 2, of what they could eat; which included the fruit from all of the plant life trees; but was forbidden to partake of the fruit of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. Let us read Genesis 2:9,16,17; so we can have the actual wording from the Bible. "And out of the ground made the Lord God to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight, and good for food; the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of knowledge of good and evil. (These two trees were in the **MIDST** of the garden) And the Lord God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat: But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die." We tried to illustrate the fact that these two trees were not plant life trees, by leaving off the lower trunk and root system, when we drew up the little chart we are using. Adam and Eve knew what those two trees symbolized in the spirit world; therefore they needed no one to tell them they were not for their natural food. Naturally our critics, especially the great doctors of divinity, do not agree with this; but they cannot prove otherwise. It matters not how much Hebrew and Greek you know, you will never find anything scripturally indicating that these two trees grew out of the ground. The Bible gives us enough, our own common sense should see the rest. After they had sinned, and God was driving them from this beautiful paradise environment, do you think they dug up the tree of knowledge and carried it with them? You critics give me an answer. If it were a plant life tree, and if they had been driven from a geographical spot of ground, they would have had to do that; for mankind has been living off of that tree every since then. Every human being that has ever been born into this world, except for Jesus Christ, is a product of the tree of knowledge. Man's knowledge drives him on and on, always reaching for a higher plane. How much higher can he get than going to the moon? How much higher can he get, than wanting to put satellites in space and live out there? All of that is of science. It is all of earthly knowledge from the tree of knowledge. From that tree of knowledge came every grave yard on the face of this earth. From that tree of knowledge came also every heartache, every disease, every crime that has ever been committed; and the very nature to be contrary to the perfect will of God. Do not tell me it was a natural fruit tree; for there is no natural fruit from any tree upon the face of the earth, that makes a person a killer. Common sense will tell you there is no fruit of plant life on this earth, that gives anyone heart trouble, tuberculosis, cancer, nor any of those dreaded diseases. All those are things imputed and many of them become genetically hereditary in the human flow of reproduction, as man reproduces himself on the face of this earth; and it is all because man is living from the tree of knowledge; but Adam and Eve did not transplant either of those trees; so open your eyes and let common sense have a chance to speak to you. You must also realize that the tree of life was not a plant life tree; or we would not have access to it today. I say that from the standpoint of what some of you believe; that these were literal trees, and that Adam and Eve were driven from a beautiful fenced garden. Do any of you know where such a tree is

growing today? Let me tell you where the tree of life is today. In heaven. As Jesus Christ spoke to John, on the Isle of Patmos, (you read it in the book of Revelation) actually speaking to the Ephesian church, which was the type of the first Gentile church age, the age when all believers believed the same truth, He said this, (Rev. 2:7) "He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God." This was spoken in 96 A.D., after the Church had began to drift; and Jesus had issued a warning to her. He closed His warning with those words; which gave them a chance to repent and receive the fullness of God's blessings, given to those who obey His word. "To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life." Where did He say it is? In the Middle East? No. In the paradise of God. Where is that? It is heaven today; and will remain there throughout the rest of this age. Is it plant life living in a spiritual heaven? You surely realize, that kind of plant life does not exist there. It is a spiritual tree. It is a symbolic tree, a tree of eternal life. It was the basic law that all perfect human life should have come from; and it becomes very clear once you know what the eating of the fruit consisted of. Only in the garden of Eden, was the terminology 'eating,' used in connection with those two trees. Outside the garden, (or outside of that paradise presence of the Creator) we have been eating of the tree of knowledge ever since; but we do not refer to it as eating. What do we call it? That depends upon your degree of revelation of God's word. However the key to understanding, is in realizing that sex for pleasure was not in the original instructions given to Adam and Eve. The original plan was to be for them to have sex only for the purpose of repopulating the planet; like the animal kingdom does even still.

### PROFILE OF THE SERPENT

Follow me; as we pick up what we want to look at in chapter 3. The time had come that God was going to allow "who" to do "what?" The test had to come. Just as God led Jesus, by the Spirit, (according to Matthew's account) into the wilderness, where He was tempted and tested by the devil, so the time came that Adam and Eve were going to be confronted with something; on the basis of a test. How was this test going to come about? Let us read it. (Gen. 3:1) "Now the serpent was more subtil than any beast of the field which the Lord God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden?" At that time, the serpent was not a snake. He was not a crawling reptile. How many times artists have painted a picture of a garden scene, with a snake hanging from a tree loaded with beautiful apples, talking to Eve. That is just plain witchcraft to devise such a picture. HEAR ME! That is witchcraft! Above everything else, you have to realize this, The serpent was not a reptile at that time. Then you should pay attention to the word subtil. Notice what the Bible says about the serpent. (3:1) "Now the serpent was more subtil than any beast of the field which the Lord God had made. (Look up the word subtil; and see what it comes from.) What does this tell us? We know that back in chapter 2, God has described how He brought forth every beast of the earth and every creeping thing thereof. As we would look in the animal kingdom, (we do not have space here to show it all) we would see the little fishing worm. He has his place in creation. We can see the various lizards. They have their place. Yes, there are certain snakes out there, crawling around; and they are reptiles. They have their place also; but they are not of the serpent family. They are reptiles; and they always have been; but the serpent was not a reptile in the beginning. There are many species of the reptile family; and not one of them will cross breed with another. God designed them to be like that. From that, we come to the various other creatures of life. We have the lion, the elephant, the giraffe, the zebra, the horse, the cow, and on into the baboons, the monkeys, the gorillas, and all of them; and they are all a separate creation of the Creator. What are our educated scientists exploring today, trying to find the missing link between man and the highest form of the animal kingdom? They are trying to connect you and me with either a chimpanzee or baboon. They know there is a missing link between man and beast; but they have not been able to come to any definite conclusion about what that missing link is; and we know why. They refuse to believe what is so clearly written and vindicated in the pages of what we believe to be the word of God; (the Bible). They are so determined to prove that we evolved from a higher form of the animal kingdom, they cannot accept the truth when they hear it. We did not evolve. We were created by the God of all creation; just like the Bible says. What happened way back in the beginning, is the mystery that is going come to light right here at the end time. Why will it come about? Because there are too many questions in your world of intellectual learning; men trying to disprove God altogether; so there has to come something out of the beginning of the book, that shows right here at the end, what happened; that set this whole creation in such disarray, and plunged the human race into such



moral and spiritual decay. Doctors of divinity, critics, you will never be able to prove that anything of plant life brought all the heart aches and sorrows upon the human race; that we see in the world today. You may say, Well even if what you say is true, what does it matter? God is going to prove to some people before it all ends, that it does matter. I have said many times, If you critics have not the answer, why go around telling people who do have the answer, You are wrong? If you do not have anything to challenge the atheists and evolutionists with, then you had better go home and be still. God gave us a book; from which a true revelation can be revealed to those who respect it; but when you misinterpret it, and refuse to be corrected, You are destined to end up like a lost ball in high weeds. There is only one thing that can change that picture; and that is a true revelation given to you by the Holy Ghost. We still need to take a better look at the serpent. He is not here today in his original form; but I wonder how many people realize the Bible says he is still here, and that he will be here even in the Millennium? You find it in Isaiah, 65:25; where the prophet was inspired to speak of the time of the Millennium. Notice what it says about the serpent. "The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, and the lion shall eat straw like the bullock: and dust shall be the serpent's meat. They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain, saith the Lord." This is that kingdom age; when Jesus Christ will rule and reign in righteousness; and it speaks of the serpent who was cursed, and taken from his position right next to man who was made in the very image of God, as a spirit being. In his fleshly makeup, man has certain fleshly resemblances of the animal kingdom, over which he was put here to rule. The serpent, in his original state, was an intelligent animal creature that stood next to man in appearance and intelligence. He was a servant given to man to assist him. He was to this creation, what the prehistoric man was to that creation in the prehistoric era. Neither of these creatures were sons of God; they just stood at the head of the animal kingdom of their respective era's. What is referred to as the prehistoric man, was just the highest form of intelligence in that era of life on this planet. Likewise God gave to this animal kingdom a like creature. For what purpose? To carry out orders, instructions given to him by Adam the son of God, who was a God-like creature made to rule and reign over the entire creation. We need to remember; God created all those animals to be help meets to Adam. They all had a place to fill, in God's plan of refilling the planet with life. The serpent however, described as being more subtil than all the rest, was endowed with the intelligent capability to be influenced by some source. The horse could never have done what the serpent did; and neither could any of the other creatures God had created; for they did not have the intelligent capabilities to communicate with the woman, to convince her that God was keeping something back from them. In other words, she was deceived; just like the apostle Paul said; in 1st Timothy 2:14, "And Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived was in the transgression." There is no way for us know at what point the devil started to work on the serpent; nor how long it took him to convince that servant of Adam's to seduce his master's wife; nor how long it took him to break down the woman's resistance; for I could never believe he was able to deceive her the first time he approached her. I am sure of this, Satan had to have an intelligent creature to work through; and no other animal was intelligent enough to intellectually deceive a daughter of the Creator. The word subtil (subtle in our vocabulary) means, the ability to mislead or deceive. You can say the same thing about a lot of these two legged creatures roaming the streets in our day; They are subtle. They have no other ambition in life, but to deceive someone else; usually for a monetary gain. On the other hand, there are a lot of people in the human family on earth, that would find it hard to put together the right thoughts to deceive someone else. When the devil gets hold of the mind of a smart person, that person is capable of devising never before heard of tactics to deceive someone else. Why is it today, that there is so much corruption in the world? Simply because there are a lot of these human minds that are subtle, and all they do is sit around thinking up some kind of scheme to use on someone else. You never see a rooster trying to deceive anything. You do not see anything in the rest of the animal kingdom deceiving any of the rest of the animal kingdom. They do not have the intelligence for Satan to use in that way. Deception has to come, in the intellect realm. This is not mental telepathy we are talking about. Neither is it a snake hanging from a limb in an apple tree saying, Eve: Come here, I want to talk to you. That is a carnal picture. It is as carnal as anything can possibly be. This serpent was a two legged creature, standing on the ground, walking upright like man; and able to talk like a man. His intelligence stood right next to man; but he was not a son of God. It was him, that came to Eve; not the devil. There are people that accuse us of teaching that Eve was seduced by the devil; but I can assure you of this; No one has ever taught from this pulpit, that Eve had intercourse with the devil. Any person that knows anything at all, knows that the devil is a spirit; and people do not have sexual intercourse with spirits. Spirits need instruments to work through.

### **THE TIME OF ADAM'S GREAT TEST**

The son and daughter of God had been created in innocence; knowing nothing at all about sin and rebellion. God placed them in this beautiful paradise naked; with a commission, and with the commandment; if I may say it like that. Genesis 1:28, says, "And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth." Then in chapter 2, verses 16-17, we find the rest of their instructions; "And the Lord God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat: But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die." Time passed; we do not know how much; and then it was time for God to allow His children to be tested; so let us again read verse 1, of chapter 3, and notice what that intelligent, earthly minded creature approached the woman with. Just listen to the conversation. "Now the serpent was more subtil than any beast of the field which the Lord God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden?" He had vocal chords. He was able to talk. It is not a situation where mental telepathy was used. He did not have Satanic powers to put a thought into Eve's mind. He was vocally talking and communicating to her a thought; and he put it into the form of a question. "Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden?" This creature knew exactly what they had been told; how they could eat of every tree in the garden. He knew they had been warned about partaking of the certain tree in the **MIDST** of the garden. Yes the language is eat; that is where the mystery is hidden; in the term eat. Well Eve talked back. It has all been lying here in the Bible for 6000 years; so do not look at this as something we have invented. Make up your mind saints: Do you want truth, or do you want to continue on with denominational tradition, that makes no sense at all? This serpent was something that looked just as much like man as anything could possibly look. He probably did not appear as refined as Adam: but I assure you, He was not some hunchback, bow legged, snaggle toothed creature bobbing up and down, coming through the garden. He was a physical creature made strictly by the Creator to do manual work; and given the ability to communicate with Adam, in order to know what to do. Adam was given the commission; so the serpent was to get his work orders from him. What do we do today? Do thus and so. Satan was ready to use that instrument; as soon as God was ready to allow it. "And the woman said unto the serpent, We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden." (She was truly talking about the plant life trees.) "But of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, (That tree did not grow out of the ground.) God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die." That word LEST, did not mean MAYBE you will die; it emphatically declared that they would die, if they disobeyed; and Adam was not confused about the terminology; he knew what God meant. We will say more about that later; but for now, let us listen to the conversation between Eve and the serpent. Eve was not teaching a parrot how to talk. I have seen these zoo trainers how they teach certain creatures to bark, and count; but that serpent needed no one to teach him to talk; the Creator created him with that ability; as well as with the intelligence to carry on an intelligent conversation. In answer to his question, Eve replied, "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." To that the serpent replied, "Ye shall not surely die: 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." Why would the serpent answer back like that? Was that a thought he had cooked up himself? No sir. That was because Satan, that fallen angel Lucifer, which had already been judged, and cursed, and stripped of his glory, was being allowed by God who created him, to stand there in that beautiful place, doing something to get back at the Creator Himself for judging him. Therefore Satan, that fallen spirit, had influenced the serpent creature; (actually taken over his mind) and was causing him to approach Eve like that. "Ye shall not surely die." Saints: I want to remind you, Those same words are being repeated in our schools today. How? Why? About 30 some years ago, when our school systems opened up to that liberal spirit, and began to say, The time has come that our young generation of people need to have sex education in the schools; they opened the door for this evil spirit to come in; and he came in with every evil thought imaginable. Teachers everywhere began to say, Our children need to be taught the facts of life. Well they are teaching them the pleasurable facts of life; but they avoid mentioning the consequences of going contrary to God's moral standards; so you can easily see where their inspiration came from. I am going to tell you for certain, Those teachers and philosophers who came on the scene advocating this, were not inspired by God. Hear me! They were inspired by a spirit of Satan; that has waited a long time to get into the American society, which was previously influenced by religious standards and convictions. Our society lived for years being guided by standards of moral decency set by our God fearing forefathers. It remained so until after WW2.; when a new breed of teachers came upon the scene. Did they come into the class room with a Bible in their hand? No, they did not. Did they come in telling your children and grandchildren, The

Bible has said that to live a sexually active life is wrong? Did they? No, they did not! They began to open up the minds of our youth, a little here, and a little there, until they finally penetrated their thoughts. It is almost unbelievable, how quickly they schooled out of our youth the principles of decency they had been raised up to observe. Almost everything they had learned at home and at church, was treated by those educators as if their parents and church leaders had been doing them an injustice by teaching them such things. Does that sound familiar? God did not mean it that way. Your parents are just trying to deprive you of your human rights. You need to be free to express yourselves. Does that sound like what the serpent said to Eve? It should; it came from the same source. Satan inspired the serpent to talk to Eve like that; to get her to doubt that God had their interest at heart, when He said to them, "But of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, Ye shall not eat of it, lest ye die." Before very long, many of those liberal teachers had their students believing their parents were actually against them; and that they just wanted to deprive them of having any pleasure in life. I am not saying every teacher that taught sex education had such a motive; nor am I meaning to say that those who did look at it that way, were totally evil people. Satan used them, just like he used the serpent; by taking control of their thoughts a lot of the time. Why do we have a million and some odd illegal pregnancies every year now, if something has not gotten out of control in these areas? Do not tell me it is God's fault. I ask you plainly, Who is behind all of this moral breakdown, since we know it is contrary to God's moral standards of decency? The devil, which modernists say does not exist, is the guilty culprit. They are unable to see the devil at work; because they cannot see God. That just simply goes together; if you cannot believe in a sovereign God, how then could you believe there is any such spirit as a devil? For that reason, a lot of those educators do not realize Satan is using their own thoughts to teach our youth such things. Whether you like it or not, or agree with me or not, the facts of life, along with the consequences of going against the will of God, were taught by the Jewish people to their children. Read it in the Law. Those ten commandments that they were to write over the door posts of their houses were not there just for decoration purposes; they endeavored to live by them. When they went out they read them; and when they came back in they read them; therefore they were always fresh in their minds. The children growing up in those homes would no doubt ask, Daddy: What is that for? At a certain age, Daddy would no doubt begin to teach those little children about the God that gave Moses those two tables of stone, with those commandments written thereupon. "Thou shalt not commit adultery." What does that mean, Daddy? Do you think that daddy would lie to that little son or daughter? No. At about age 12, I believe Dad would say, Son, this is God's word. This is what God requires those who believe in Him to live by. Then I believe he would explain to them what each commandment pertained to; and why a righteous God would see it that way. That is the way it was supposed to be. Parents were supposed to teach their children to obey the word of God.

### **WHAT WE SEE- WHEN OUR EYES ARE OPENED**

I realize I am going slow; but please, this is not a subject we need to rush through. Not only are we endeavoring to prove a truth concerning the shape the world population is in today, we also need to cover the points your scholars like to use their knowledge of Hebrew and Greek to try and disprove. Let them try to disprove what happened in the garden of Eden with their words of education if that is what they want to do; but I believe every true child of God deserves to have some ammunition of his, or her own to face them with when necessary. I am not an educated man; but there is one thing I know for sure; God does not require anyone to be educated; before He reveals truth to them. If you are a child of His, It is the responsibility of the Holy Ghost in you; to lead you into all truth. That is exactly what Jesus Christ Himself taught. You can read it in John 16:13 if you like. Here is what He said, "Howbeit when He, the Spirit of truth, is come, He will guide you into all truth: for He shall not speak of Himself; but whatsoever He shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come." The age we live in tells us, That whatever took place back there, is the reason the earth is in such a mess today; and I challenge any doctor of divinity, to prove to me it was an apple they ate, that brought all this heartache and ungodliness into the world. I know most of us came out of systems of religion that taught that version of the fall of Adam; but after you come to know the truth, you wonder how anyone in their right mind could believe a lie like that. You talk about deception, that is deception pure and simple; and your great scholars have swallowed it right up. Just listen to that old devil inspired serpent talk; verse 3, "And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die: (That sounds just like a lot of these scientists and doctors of divinity today. They will read a verse from the Bible, and try every way known to man, to get you to believe God did not mean it the way it

sounds. In other words, they try to get you to doubt the word of God. Just listen.) 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." Some of these doctors of divinity talk just exactly like that. Now you know that is not true. That is not what God meant; He meant so and so. Well that character just kept on talking until Eve finally broke down. He sounded very convincing; just like some of the philosophers in our colleges. If you care to be sexually active, go ahead; there is nothing wrong with it; they will say. They deny the word of God; and send people down the road toward hell, heartache, and disillusionment. Teen age children are bringing life into the world; knowing nothing at all about how to take care of the little baby; and the responsibility falls to either their parents, or some Government agency; to care for it. Is that the way the Creator ordained it to be? Not at all. "Then your eyes shall be opened." He was right about that much; but they were better off before their eyes were opened. Innocence is a blessed thing; but we are living in an age when innocence is a rarity. Small children today, know just about everything there is to know about the facts of life. The sad part though, is that they are not taught the proper responsibility of handling that knowledge. Those who rape the conscience of our small children with their careless ways of teaching sex education, should be made to pay the doctor and hospital bills that follow. Well they are not going to do that; but you mark my word, They are going to answer to God for what they are doing. That philosopher (the serpent) said to Eve, "In the day you eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, (What a promise!) knowing good and evil." I am sure that when everyone exists in an innocent state, some things that come creeping along begin to tug at their mind's, and they just have to investigate. Man is a strange creature. You have heard it said, that a cat is a curiosity seeker. When they see something they do not understand, they will creep around and watch it from every angle; they want to know what it is. (I am just using that to illustrate one trait of mortal mankind.) You present something before man, that has a little mystery surrounding it, and before long, he will be reaching out to gouge at it. If you put something in his mind, he is going to play with it. That is a natural trait of natural mankind. We are curious creatures; and Satan knows it. That is why he is always placing temptation before us. It is only the Spirit of God, that keeps us from poking our nose's into his traps. He always has an agent on hand to place temptation before us. That is what the serpent was used for, in the garden of Eden; to get the woman curious enough to investigate. Let me ask you a question. Why did the serpent come to Eve? Yes. Why did he approach the woman? Why did he not approach the man? I will tell you why, if you will sit and listen. Then when you see why, you will see why God cursed her reproductive organs (verse 16) instead of her mouth. We have very few words here, as far as what the writer of the scripture was led to write; but what these few words speak of, could have covered a lengthy period of time when it was taking place. I cannot believe that daughter of God was convinced to go against her Creator's will, the first time she was approached in this way. This creature, being influenced by Satan to approach her at just the right time, had no doubt used many words of persuasion. It was just not necessary for the writer to say so. God did not have every little detail written in the Bible; so the natural human mind could easily understand everything without the Holy Spirit revealing it. God speaks certain things in few words; but when you catch the picture, and the Holy Spirit anoints you to do so, you can write books and volumes about it. Well my point is, the serpent did not accomplish his work with Eve in a 15 minute conversation. There had to be a little process of time. Then verse 6, gives us a little picture of the woman's response once she has finally been convinced. "And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, (Notice it said, to make one wise.) she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat." There is not a plant life tree on the face of this earth, that can give you a better mentality, making you wise. If there is, I certainly feel that I ought to have eaten some of that kind of fruit when I went to school. No, saints: this is a different kind of wisdom; the kind Satan likes for you to get; so it will pervert your thinking. "She took of the fruit thereof, and did eat." At this time, for the sake of making the message completely clear, let me just be plain. Eve, the help mate, or wife of Adam, who had been designed to be the mother of all living, was seduced by the serpent to partake of a relationship contrary to the will of God. She was convinced that it was alright to have an affair. With who? That serpent creature, of course. Some of you may say, Bro. Jackson, I never heard anything like that before. I never had either, until about 30 some years ago. Then I later learned that this generation was not the first ever to see the truth about that. My grandfather on my mother's side, knew it. In 1957, in the month of November, when we were going to Cuba, we were staying with my grandparents; and one night he said to me, when we were talking about the Bible, Junior, I don't know if you have heard this or not; but Eve did not eat an apple. I said, I know that. Then he said, She had an affair with the serpent.

I thought to myself, Grandpa: where did you hear that? Anyhow why would Hollywood make a film, and title it, The Sins of Eve? Why did they not just say, Come watch Eve eat an apple? I think most of you can see what really happened there in the garden of Eden. Once she had been convinced that it was alright to do this, she immediately went to work on Adam; to convince him also, that it was alright to have this relationship for pleasure, as well as for the purpose of repopulation. According to the apostle Paul, in 1st Timothy 2:14, Adam was not deceived; yet he did give in and partake of the same act; no doubt just to please her. Notice, "And Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived was in the transgression." What did they do? They partook of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. Can you be more specific? Yes I can. They had sex relations for pleasure; when God had instructed them otherwise; forcing God to impute the death penalty to them, and to all of their offspring. How could they have eaten from the tree of life? By having this intimate relationship only for the purpose of reproduction, just like God had commanded them to. I know what the critics of this revelation say; but nevertheless truth is truth; whether they ever see it or not. I know how they have put certain words together, in an effort to make us look foolish; but God will have the last word, so we cannot allow ourselves to worry about what the critics think and say. The tree of knowledge was not a human being. Neither was that tree, Satan. Nor was it the serpent. The tree was a law; which was the opposite of what the other tree in the MIDST of the garden was. One tree was for life; and the other tree would bring death. The knowledge gained from the forbidden tree, was an earthly knowledge; strictly for the flesh, without one ounce of benefit to the spirit man inside our shell of flesh. That is why the world is like it is. Why is man so intelligent in an earthly sense, but so ignorant when it comes to spiritual understanding of the word of God? The apostle Paul expressed it perfectly; in 1st Corinthians 2:14, "But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned." In fact, man is an enemy to God. He constantly thinks negative toward God. That in itself is proof that it is not a plant life problem between them. "And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat." Our critics can say, Jackson, you are saying things the Bible does not say; but I say, Keep listening. I am not trying to deceive anyone. I am only hacking away at those educated minds who have for so long said it is not like this; and it is not like that; but cannot themselves tell you what Adam and Eve did, that caused God to have to impute the death penalty to them. When you ask them, What was it? You hear, I do not know for sure. It could have been so and so. Furthermore I really do not believe it matters. It is very strange, the way some people are so wise they can tell you for sure what the tree of knowledge was not; but they cannot tell you what it was; and they do not believe it matters. Satan just loves to hear people talk like that. As long as they do not know the truth, they are no threat to his perverted purpose for the true children of God. Anyhow, Eve gave also to her husband Adam; and he did eat. What does it say then? (Gen. 3:7) "And the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves aprons." They realized they were naked; and tried to cover their nakedness.

### **COVERING FOR NAKEDNESS**

Adam and Eve were experiencing something they had not before then, had to be concerned about. "And the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves aprons." Do you mean to tell me they ate of this forbidden fruit with their eyes closed? Is that what you think? Was their eyes shut, like this? (Bro. Jackson closed his eyes) You know that is not what Moses meant, when he wrote those words. Well what does it mean, their eyes were opened? It means, their mentality was opened up to the feelings of guilt and condemnation. Why? Because they both knew what the Creator had told them; and they knew He was not just joking with them. In His eyes, they were both guilty; and they knew He would keep His word; so they became afraid to face Him. It was their spiritual eyes that were opened up; so that for the first time they realized they were naked. Saints, I have said many times, If eating apples from a plant life fruit tree will cause people to realize they are naked, then please let someone pass the apples. We are living among a naked, perverted, very sick society of people. This is the Laodicean Church Age, the age that literal church in Asia Minor typed, when Jesus gave the apostle John these words of warning for her; almost two thousand years ago. (Revelation 3:14) "And unto the angel of the church of the Laodiceans write; these things saith the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of the creation of God; (That was Jesus speaking. Rev.1:18, identifies the ONE doing the speaking. Notice, "I am He that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death.) I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot: I would thou wert cold

or hot. (In this lukewarm condition, spiritual blindness prevails over the mass of the human society.) So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of my mouth. (That is what most people do with a sip of lukewarm coffee; because they either want it cold or hot. Tea is the same way, people either want it cold or hot; not lukewarm.) Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked." Adam and Eve were naked because the Creator placed them there like that, in total innocence; but this generation of people are like that because sin has blinded their spiritual senses; and everything looks alright to them. Fig leaves were not sufficient to cover Adam and Eve; after they realized they were naked; and neither will anything short of genuine repentance and total surrender to the Spirit of God cover the nakedness of this generation. Notice what Jesus prescribed for the Church at Laodicea. "I counsel thee to buy of me gold tried in the fire, (genuine faith and trust in God) that thou mayest be rich; and white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed, (the revealed word of God is our clothing) and that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear; and anoint thine eyes with eye salve, that thou mayest see." Our spiritual vision is only activated when we desire to walk in truth. If we search for the truth of God's word, He will without a doubt see that we find it. He has many ways to make truth accessible to a hungry soul; no matter where that person may be. We have had that confirmed to us through some of the letters we have received from people in foreign countries; telling about how they first got hold of the Contender paper we send out free of charge to all who request it. What some people see only as wrapping paper for their merchandise, turns out to be filled with what another hungry soul will feed off of, when it falls into their hands in some strange way. I am talking about the wrapper itself; not the merchandise it is wrapped around. Modern day religionists try to explain man's first sin by saying, Bro. Jackson, this is the way I believe it is. It was a fruit and God just chose that particular fruit to be the basis of the test. He had to use something to test them; so the fact they disobeyed God in eating it, caused God to impute the death sentence to them; and drive them from the garden. I will say again, It was His anointing presence they were driven from. The very fact that they realized they were naked, let God know that they had disobeyed His commandment; even if He had not known it already. "And the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; (What did they do?) and they sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves aprons." Where did they get the leaves? They did not get them off of the tree of knowledge. Neither did they get them from the tree of life. Why? Because those two trees were two laws; not plant life trees. I feel that we cannot stress that too much; seeing that this world of religion is so blind as to what actually happened. When they needed a covering for the organs they sinned with, they chose fig leaves and covered their loin section. That ought to tell anyone something; if they were not too blind to see it. The design of the fig leaves, no doubt made them the most logical material to use for their covering. They had no safety pins. There was no thread yet. Do not ask me what they used to sew them together. It was a crude way they made a covering; but that is what they used; and natural mankind until this very day, still uses crude methods trying to cover what only the blood of Jesus Christ can cover. To you critics, whoever you may be, listen to me; and answer my question. If they had eaten something with their mouth, that brought the knowledge of their nakedness, Why did they not put the fig leaves over their mouth? They made themselves aprons, and applied them over the portion of their body they realized they had used in disobeying God. What does that add up to? It adds up to the fact they have had an a sexual encounter strictly for pleasure; without the motive to bring about life, and carry out God's commission, which was, "Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth." Satan, knew how to use the serpent creature's intelligent makeup, to get him to seduce Adams wife; knowing that once the act was consummated He would have things going his way. His ultimate objective has always been to thwart the plan of God; ever since God cast him down from his original state. Once this pleasurable act was introduced to her, she went right to her husband and presented it to him. The act itself was not sinful; it was the fact they partook of it strictly for pleasure, rather than the purpose the Creator instructed them to use it for. If any of you still want to believe the death penalty was imputed to all of mankind because Adam and Eve ate some forbidden fruit with their mouth, then surely you must believe there is a plant life tree somewhere, that is the tree of life. If sin came by eating from plant life, then redemption will have to come by eating from plant life also. That is just common sense; if the tree of knowledge was plant life, the tree of life was too. However sin came to be imputed to the human race, if they are eventually to be redeemed, then there has to be an opposite of that. Just to show you how that plant life theory contradicts the whole setting, they took the leaves of plant life and made aprons to cover themselves; then where were they? Hiding. (Verse 8.) "And they heard the voice of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day: and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God amongst the trees of the garden." It was evening time. It was the time God would come on the scene for fellowship with them. The sun was

going down. That is why man has always wanted to go to church when the sun goes down. It all comes from that setting. That is the logical time to go. It seems that is when the Spirit of God wants to settle upon your spirit and mind and have fellowship, in the cool of the day. "And Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord." Why? Because they knew they had done wrong. They felt ashamed. That is just like a young girl that has been raised in a respectable home, taught by mother and dad how to keep herself clean in life and wait until that time in life when God would bring some nice young man along, and they become man and wife, before partaking of this act. Then along comes some smooth talking character and deceives her, and she realizes she has sold herself for a cheap moment of pleasure. She will go for days, feeling afraid and condemned. That is how Adam and Eve were in the garden. Both of them were ashamed for God to see them. Where did they hide? Among the trees of plant life. In the land of Eden, there were more trees than what we have in our drawing. This is just a drawing to illustrate a particular scene and make a point. As far as you could see, trees were growing out of the ground. What a beautiful place it must have been. So amidst the trees of plant life they hid, with the aprons of fig leaves covering their loins. No doubt they were trembling, as they heard the voice of God coming through the garden. "The Lord God called unto Adam, and said unto him, Where art thou?" God knew where they were; but He wanted Adam to give an account of himself. Here He came, calling for Adam; and Adam finally answered. Notice, "And the Lord God called unto Adam, and said unto him, Where art thou? (3:10) And he said, I heard thy voice in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself." What an acknowledgement. I was afraid, because I was naked. How come he was suddenly aware of his nakedness? Was it because he had eaten an apple? I doubt it with all my heart. Nothing of plant life will cause anyone to feel like that. Watch. The Lord said unto him, "Who told thee that thou wast naked?" Brother I tell you, You need not ever think that God will not get these doctors of divinity together and judge them for teaching what they have, to unsuspecting souls. When He comes down the line, Why did you teach this? They will have to give an account to God; of why they sat over people with their theology. It is alright for them to say, Hail Mary, mother of God, blessed is the **fruit** of thy womb Jesus. Why do the Catholics say, **fruit** of thy womb? They are not talking about an apple from a plant life tree; when they say that. They are talking about a **baby** that has been conceived in a virgin womb, yet it is referred to as **fruit**. God says, "Hast thou eaten of the tree, whereof I commanded thee that thou shouldest not eat?" Adam said, (Just listen to him pass the buck.) "And the man said, The woman whom thou gavest to be with me, she gave me of the tree, and I did eat." That is all he could say. What is he doing? He is passing the buck. "And the Lord God said unto the woman, What is this that thou hast done? (Now watch her pass the buck.) And the woman said, The serpent beguiled me, and I did eat." Adam blamed his wife, and his wife blamed the serpent. Now let us see what the serpent said. "And the Lord God said unto the serpent, (He did not even ask him a question. Listen.) Because thou hast done this, (God did not even give him a chance to pass the buck. This serpent could not even say, The devil made me do it. Think of it. I am sure if God would have gave him a chance, he could have said, The devil made me do it. We know the devil did make him do it; but God cut him off before he even attempted to speak in his own defense. While he could still talk and speak for himself, God cut him off.) 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." What a curse. This is not evolution. God took that creature that had vocal chords, a mental intelligence much like man, two arms, two legs, and so forth, and stripped him down to a crawling reptile, put him out there with that reptile family, never to be redeemed. That added another species to the reptile family. He did not start out in life as a snake; but in our terminology, that is what he is now. He was up here; (upright) standing next to Adam. There were to be a family of serpents upon earth, just as all other species of God's creation were to be. They were at the head of the animal kingdom; and endowed with the intelligence to communicate with mankind; in order to be servants. He is back there now; he and all the other serpents; never to be restored to their former estate as servants. We have already read the verse in Isaiah; that tells us he will still be eating dust in the Millennium; when everything else is to be restored. God did not make a fishing worm out of him. He did not make a cut worm out of him. He made him a reptile. Since that time, man has looked upon the whole reptile family as serpents. Why? Because they know that creature is out there somewhere; and he has had that title every since creation. To the critics and agnostics who think they know so much, I am going to read you something and ask a question. Before this serpent had lost his complete identity, and while that intelligence capability was still there, as God spoke to him, let us notice what the Creator said to him. "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." I am sure you will not need to go to a dictionary to find out; but I ask you, What is the dictionary definition of **enmity**? Does it not define it as an ill feeling? A dislike? I will put this

feeling of dislike between thee and the woman. That is really what God said to him. Think of it, there he stood still capable of talking, but God did not give him an opportunity to speak. He shut him up. I will put enmity, a difference between thee and the woman. He is speaking exclusively of Eve, at the time. Where were they? They were still inside this beautiful paradise of Eden. "And between thy seed and her seed." While he was still standing here, God instilled in his intelligence that feeling of dislike toward the woman; and in her toward him. I will put a difference, an ill feeling, I will put a hatred between you and the woman. Do not tell me that ill feeling is there just simply because man does not like snakes. I have no desire to have a snake for a pet. I will shoot him, cut his head off, fight him with a stick, or whatever it takes. I despise the little creatures. However that is not the enmity God was talking about. As that poor little woman stood there trembling, in the presence of her Creator, faced with guilt and condemnation, she knew exactly what that creature had caused her to do; and she knew he was completely at fault. Can you not imagine how she must have hated him? Yes she hated him: and it was a hate she could never get rid of. Remember also, he was going to have a seed. Therefore, critics of this revelation I ask you, What was God talking about? Is God just saying I am going to put a difference between women and how they should look at snakes? He did not say to Adam, I am going to put enmity between you and the serpent. He said nothing at all about Adam himself having that kind of feeling toward the serpent. It is the woman, that bears seed of her kind. That seed is a little offspring, the result of a union like Eve had both with the serpent and with her husband. She is called, The mother of all human life. "It shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel." That was a prophecy that pointed to the first advent of Christ; because at Calvary this was set in motion. In a natural way of illustration, down through the centuries of time, some reptiles, man has learned to stomp it with his foot. To kill a snake, you have to crush his head. Do not step on him in the middle. Do not step on his tail. The language of the prophecy, "Thou shalt bruise his head and it shall bruise his heel, means, there has definitely got to be a contact. The seed of the woman that was prophesied, was none other than Jesus Christ in His first advent. The bruising of the head of the serpent is how Jesus will deal with the serpent, the antichrist, in the end time. That is the hour we are coming to, brothers and sisters. It is true, Satan, the spirit behind it, is the cause of Jesus going to Calvary, but we can see His death constituted our salvation. He arose from that tomb where His dead body was placed, never to die again. He is alive forevermore; and He is going to strike that devil one last blow. It is just in front of us.

### **THE WOMAN'S PENALTY A KEY TO THE REVELATION**

I want to bring another important thing to your attention. The Creator turned His attention back to the woman. Where were they then? They were still in the paradise of God. God's wonderful presence and glory overshadowed this beautiful environment; making it paradise. It was a little bit of heaven on earth. That is how God related Himself to earth in the beginning; to start His plan. However man had come to the time when the scene was going to change. Something had happened to mar God's beautiful plan; so the whole order of things had to be changed. To the woman, the Creator addressed His next word. Notice. "Unto the woman He (God) said, I will greatly multiply thy sorrow and thy conception; in sorrow thou shalt bring forth children; and thy desire shall be to thy husband, and he shall rule over thee." The word sorrow used here, has to be understood properly. It had to pertain to something she would suffer mentally and emotionally, (a physical affect) as she entered into that time of life when she could conceive seed to bear children. I will greatly multiply. To multiply something, you have to have something to begin with. To multiply something, **IS TO INCREASE IT**; by adding to, doubling, tripling, and so forth. He not only multiplied her pain and suffering; He also multiplied her number of periods when conception could take place. When you look at all the other living creatures upon the face of the earth, the woman is the only female among them that has that period, or cycle every 28 days. The animal kingdom did not have their conception periods increased. They remained in that way, as the Creator had originally designed them. Conception is a word used often in medical terminology; but it was first used by the Creator Himself; to speak of the time when female species received seed to bring forth life of another creature after her own kind; whether animal or human. (Saints: I am trying my best to say these things as plain as possible; without sounding vulgar; so I ask you, Please bear with me.) This act of conception is a sacred thing, designed by the Creator Himself; as the only way for the redeemed planet to be repopulated. Every female creature has a responsibility delegated by the Creator; to do her part in helping to repopulate this planet. Every woman's body was designed, that at a certain time of life, when they reach a certain age, there is a certain law which begins to take affect in her body; which is now referred to as that monthly cycle. If she



never had that monthly cycle, no woman would ever be able to have a child. You know what I am talking about. That is the divine Creator's way; and that is a law in every female animal that walks on God's green earth. I am not talking in a derogatory way; I am only speaking this in a simple way; so it can be easily understood; and no one will have to speculate on what I meant, when I am finished dealing with the subject. God has said to the woman, I will greatly multiply thy sorrow and thy conception. What was God actually saying to her? She knew what He was saying; because all of this was put in their intellect while they were only spirit beings, without physical bodies. They had this knowledge; before they were ever put here in the earth, in physical bodies; where they would fulfill the purpose of God. They knew what it was all about; before they were ever put to the test; yet they failed the test. After they failed the test, God was setting in motion the next phase of His plan; so notice, as we continue. Now that they had the knowledge of this relationship strictly for pleasure, what was God going to do, in order to attain His ultimate goal? Which is, to have this planet populated with sons and daughters that love Him and desire to please Him. Instead of the woman being able to come to a certain time in the year, that she would come into that cycle when she would know that she could receive seed, (however often the Creator had designed it) that all had to be changed. The earth would still be repopulated by the same physical act; but it would be by the law of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, instead of by the law of the tree of life; which in reality is eternal life. The great difference, is the death sentence that reigns in every human being born into this world since the day God judged that first couple; which necessitates redemption in order for us to be able to have fellowship with our Heavenly Father. Under the law of the tree of life, when she would have come into that cycle that conception could take place she would have been fully aware of it; and in a godly, sacred way, would say to her husband, Now it is time that we should make love; to bring forth a little offspring for the Creator. I am glad I was raised on a farm, and allowed to study the animal life. It helps me greatly; as I study the Bible concerning this subject we are on. The woman, as a female creature, is the only female creature on earth that when she reaches a certain age in life, from a young child, she will start in that cycle, and it comes every month, every month, every month. It does so until she goes on into older womanhood. That is what God multiplied. What have they become to woman in a major sense? A lot of physical, nervous, psychological sufferings, many times bringing on ill effects. Look at women having to go to doctors today, to be doctored for all the nervous complexities of life. It all stems from that added burden placed upon womanhood as a result of Eve's disobedience of the Creator's instructions, or commandments. When God did that to Eve, it was a penalty added, because they, going against His word, had attained the knowledge that the sex act could be used for pleasure; any time a man and woman chose to do so. He did not forbid them to use the act for pleasure, once they attained this knowledge; He just added a penalty for their disobedience. To the serpent, God said, "BECAUSE THOU HAST DONE THIS," thus and so; and He went right ahead pronouncing the woman's penalty; when He finished with the serpent. He did not say to the woman, "BECAUSE THOU HAST DONE THIS;" but she knew her penalty was because of her part in that forbidden act. However when He turned His attention back to Adam, God left no question as to why he was being punished; for He said to him, (Genesis 3:17-19) "Because thou hast hearkened unto the voice of thy wife, and hast eaten (or partaken) of the tree, of which I commanded thee, saying, Thou shalt not eat of it: cursed is the ground for thy sake; in sorrow shalt thou eat of it all the days of thy life; Thorns also and thistles shall it bring forth to thee; and thou shalt eat the herb of the field; In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread, till thou return unto the ground; for out of it wast thou taken: for dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return. That penalty imputed to Eve was not just to her; but to every female she and her descendants would ever give birth to. Every woman from then on, would bear that curse. I have raised horses, cows, sheep, hogs, and all such animals as you see on a farm; and I can assure you of this, They do not have a monthly cycle; like women do. Some time within the year, according to the way God established the reproductive law in their particular species, she comes into that cycle. Of course, because of the fact that we have domesticated the animal kingdom, we can control the coming together of the male and female of these; but go out into the wild; and watch the deer. The females stay together until a certain time of the year. The Creator designed it that way. When that certain time of the year comes, those female deer begin to feel this period coming into their body; and it is then, and then alone, that they begin to seek out a male. Up until that time, a male deer could walk through their midst, and they would virtually ignore him. That is why you do not see prostitutes in the deer family. Neither do you see prostitute cows. They do not have X-rated theaters; where they perform that sacred act to entertain each other; like degenerate mankind does. I am not saying those things to sound angry; nor to be a smart; I am merely making a point. Educated doctors of divinity have thrived for 2000 years, on their education. Yet they have not proved a thing with all their

Hebrew and Greek; except that they can translate words. As far as explaining what God meant by those words, they have only displayed their total ignorance of spiritual truth.

### **SOME RESULTS OF WOMAN'S PENALTY**

When God placed that curse upon Eve's reproductive organs saying, "In sorrow thou shalt bring forth children," Oh what a tragic result that has had upon womanhood down through the ages. Did you know, When Jacob went back to Mesopotamia, and had to work 14 years for his two wives, Rachel and Leah, when finally in later years they came back into the land of promise, Rachel was giving birth to his last child; and died in the process; near Bethlehem. Rachel, the wife he dearly loved, died in childbirth. Outside of Bethlehem is a tomb, Rachel's tomb. It is a landmark today. She did not die of heart trouble. She died giving birth. You can see the results of that curse placed upon Eve, everywhere you go today. In sorrow, pain, agony, and many times right at death's door, womanhood brings forth offspring. Under the law of the tree of life, there would have been none of those complications women face in childbearing today. Yes, the curse is still upon womanhood today; and will be, until the Millennial rule of Jesus Christ and His redeemed bride; when restoration is completed. It is also still written in the Bible; that a woman's desire is to be to her husband. God has changed none of that yet. (Gen.3:16) "I will greatly multiply thy sorrow and thy conception; in sorrow thou shalt bring forth children; and thy desire shall be to thy husband, and he shall rule over thee." What is God saying? Regardless of how you may want to look at it, and regardless of how you think it sounds, I still have to say it this way, Since they have attained the knowledge of this relationship strictly for pleasure, from that time on, the duty of every wife is to please her husband in that pleasure relationship. That is God's divine law. I challenge any critics; to bring his or her bible, and prove me wrong. Where did that tree of knowledge go? It is in their minds. They were driven from that paradise realm; never again to know exactly when to partake of the act for the purpose of childbearing. If God had not driven them from that paradise realm of His presence, they would have still been able to bring forth children from the tree of life; even after they sinned. In other words, One tree (law) was for life; and the other was unto death. Eating from one tree would have kept them in the realm of divine knowledge; and eating from the other tree caused them to have to live the rest of their lives with only the knowledge of the natural. Instead of having divine wisdom and authority in the realm of the spirit, and access to the spirit world, they had to depend upon their five senses; and remain earthbound creatures. If you can follow my thought, my point is, As long as God allowed them to remain in paradise, they could have still brought forth children from the law of the tree of life; and those children would have had eternal life. God could not allow them to live in sin; and at the same time beget children with eternal life. No. He kept His word; "In the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die." That is why every man and woman from that day until now, has been born into this world, grown up in life, and as they reach adulthood, come together for marriage. That physical affair they live in, is strictly pleasure. No woman knows exactly when she can conceive; to bring a child into the world. I ask you, Why is medical science trying to make all kinds of modern means so that young women of our day can live like this and never have to worry about getting pregnant? It is because they do not know when they can; and they have not yet found any fool proof way of making sure. Again I ask you, Is the deer ignorant of when that law of life is present in her? No. She knows when she can. Is the cow ignorant of it? No. Is the horse ignorant of it? No. Woman, the handmaid of God, is the only female creature that does not know exactly when she can get pregnant. Because of that, man and woman in legal married relationship, are now living under that knowledge of the relationship for pleasure. Now the question many people ask is, Bro. Jackson: Is it wrong, out of the garden, to have sex for pleasure? No, that is the way life has to come forth. What has been done, cannot be undone. There is no way to blot out this knowledge of the pleasure of it; and return to God's original plan. I have been asked the question, Well what would the tree of life have been? If Eve would have said to the serpent, Look, I know what God said; and I know what He meant; and what He meant is right. You are wasting your time talking like that to me; so just get away from me, and forget about what you are trying to persuade me to do; that law of life would have functioned just as God had designed her for it to; and she could have gone to Adam for the sole purpose conceiving seed in that relationship; and they would have brought forth a little son or daughter that would have had eternal life; and they would all have continued to have access into the spirit realm. They would not have become earthbound creatures; depending completely upon their five senses. If some of these young girls in our day, that have gotten themselves into such a bad shape, would have stopped these sweet talking, handsome little characters from seducing them, they could have avoided a lot

of heartache and trouble. Even if they had to take a club and knock them in the head to prevent it, they might not be so sorry today.

### **WHY WE HAVE TO BATTLE WEEDS AND JOHNSON GRASS**

After cursing the serpent, and after cursing Eve's reproductive organs, God then turned to Adam. He did not curse Adam's physical body; but nevertheless he did not let him go without punishment. What did He do? He cursed the ground to make it burdensome to grow crops; and put Adam in the serpent's place, doing the manual labor. Here is what He said to him; found in verses 17-19. "And unto Adam He said, Because thou hast hearkened unto the voice of thy wife, and hast eaten of the tree, of which I commanded thee, saying, Thou shalt not eat of it: cursed is the ground for thy sake; in sorrow shalt thou eat of it all the days of thy life; Thorns also and thistles shall it bring forth to thee; and thou shalt eat the herb of the field; In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread, till thou return unto the ground; for out of it wast thou taken: for dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return. According to Isaiah 65:25, which says, "The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, (that has to be in the Millennium) and the lion shall eat straw like the bullock: and dust shall be the serpent's meat. They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain, saith the Lord," the serpent will remain a crawling reptile; even after everything else is restored. I am aware that we are repeating some of the details of this revelation concerning the two trees in the midst of the garden of Eden; but there are just certain places where certain things have to go; to make the whole picture come out right; even if you have already covered them in a prior illustration. Our main concern in presenting this message, is that people who really want to, can have an opportunity to get the whole picture put together properly. Concerning Adam's disobedience though, God did not curse his reproductive organs; He added sorrow to him in another way. Not only did he have to assume the serpent's farming duties, everything he tried to grow, was made harder for him than it was for the serpent; because the serpent did not have all those thorns and thistles to contend with. There was sorrow added to Adam in that curse; even though physically he remained unchanged. Like I have said, I am a farmer. I have had my dealings with cuckle burrs, smartweed, Johnson grass, and all the rest. All of that is pesky plant life stuff. You can plow a field a foot deep. You can work it down into a bed of dust. You can buy the best corn seed, oat seed, wheat seed, and plant it in beautiful straight rows; but before very long, here comes those pesky things God cursed the ground with. To do what? To choke out what you put there. A lot of you who are hearing my voice, know exactly what I am talking about. All of that has been here ever since God cursed the ground because of Adam's sin. For 6000 years man has had to toil and till the earth. Why? Because he does not have the serpent here to till it for him. You cannot send the horse out to the field, to plow the corn; you have to go with him. He will pull the plow; but he does not have the intelligence to know when to make the turn. If we still had that serpent creature up here at the head of the animal kingdom, it would be a different story. I hope what I am saying makes sense to all of you. Adam, who was the son of God, never would have had a callous on his hands; had sin never entered the picture. Adam would never have had to pull up a weed; nor move that first bit of soil himself; if he had just obeyed the voice of His Creator. The serpent would still be doing all of the manual labor. That is what God designed him for. Not only did Adam have to do all of the manual labor, God also said to him, You are going to sweat doing it. "In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread, till thou return unto the ground; for out of it was thou taken: for dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return." In their original state, there never would have been such a thing as lust among the human race. Neither would there have been any sickness, disease, crime nor sorrow. All of that is in the world today; because God's first son and daughter failed their free moral agency test; so do not ever get the idea that you stand above vulnerability when it comes to a question about whether a true child of God can be tempted or not. We will all be tempted; but we do not have to yield to the temptation. The Holy Ghost in us, gives us resources to resist every temptation; if we will just call upon those resources.

### **CONTENDING FOR A TRUE REVELATION**

I have already read certain portions from an article published by Bold Truth Press Inc. in Denver Colorado; and I may read some more of it in a little while; because I want you to see just what ends spiritual ignorance can drive educated people to; when they try to combat a true revelation from the Spirit of God, with mere educated reasoning. As I stated earlier in the message, This article is dealing with opinions formed; concerning the ministry of Bro. William Branham, and another minister by the name of Sam Fife. I

also have another article I may read some of; written by a Canadian, apostolic, Jesus Name, one God preacher. If the two of them were here together, while we are dealing with this subject, they would not be able to agree with each other; but they would both disagree with what we are teaching. Why? Because the other person is a Trinitarian, woman preacher. They each one have attacked the man whose ministry I was privileged to sit under. The only man I have ever heard, that could take you from Genesis 1:1, through Revelation 22:21, and make the whole Bible come alive to me. He made the Lord Jesus Christ stand head and shoulders above every other man mentioned in the Bible; because he had a genuine revelation of the Godhead; and total respect for the word of God. The trinity people did not like him; because he condemned their so-called revelation that God is three distinct person's, yet one in unity of purpose; and the one God people did not like him; because he spoke of the Father and the Son; when they believe Jesus is all there is of God. The man, H. Post, got my attention a few years back; when they published an article entitled "Branhamism, Fact or Fiction." I yet have a copy of it. He attacked three things taught by Bro. Branham; the doctrine of predestination, serpent seed, and the fact that he believed there should be a prophet to the Gentiles in these last days. Naturally based upon what they understand, they believe prophets only come to Jews. We compiled an open letter at that time; and sent it to this Mr. Post by a Brother who lives in Canada. He delivered it to him personally; so I know the man had an opportunity to respond; if he still felt that he had a point to make; but we never heard a word. I want to say to these two people, It is true, William Marrion Branham was not an educated man. I presume by looking at the work of these two writers, that they are educated people. Bro. Branham was not a man that had to rely upon education; nor intellectual speech. He constantly confessed that he did not rely upon these things; but delivered to this generation what was given to him by the Spirit of God. Therefore I say to you, Mr. Post: You belittle his language, and his usage of things pertaining to the revelation given to him; and you definitely attacked his teaching on the serpent seed, in the way he associated the two trees in the garden. Well Mr. Post, I am not going to say, as you did at the end of your tract, The conclusion of the whole matter is, any person who would believe this serpent seed doctrine would have to be under a strong delusion; to believe such a lie. I will just say, Mr. Post: I believe both of you are strictly, scripturally blind; just like the Pharisees were in the time of Christ. You jumped on Bro. Branham's usage of how the word trees occurs in Genesis 3. I am not an educated man either: but you will get an article somewhere, if we have to run you down and see that you get it; that I believe you ought to pay attention to. I have read yours thoroughly; and I am not going to throw it away. Therefore when we send ours to you, I ask you to read what I have to say, just as thoroughly; and if you have anything in you that can respond to truth, I trust that I will hear from you. I am not saying these things to be smart; just because you are not sitting in my church; but when you jumped on Bro. Branham's teaching like you did, it could return to you just like it did to well-known public minister of our day; when he did the same thing, about three and a half years ago. He jumped on the revelation of predestination; and said it was out of the pit. He also jumped on the one God and water baptism in the name of Jesus Christ revelation; and said William Branham went off on the deep end. He said the man started out right; but run off of the deep end; leaving it that in his last days he was just a man all washed up. Well, I ask you, Where is this man's ministry today? He is still walking under the condemnation of what the whole world read about him; and what they presented on T.V. about his "goings-on" in a hotel with certain types of women; and he will never live it down. It is a dangerous thing, to condemn a true revelation of God's word. Such a person's folly will surely return unto him in a measure only God Himself can meet out. You can attack Bro. Branham, because he is not here to defend himself; but when you attack the true revelation he taught, I will do my best as a human being and a Christian man; to defend that. I do not have to use his literal words; for I also see the picture he saw; and have my own words to express it. That is exactly what the apostles of the Lord Jesus Christ did. They did not just quote the words of Jesus, when they went out to minister. That is one benefit of having your own revelation of what you are talking about; you do not have to use the other person's exact words to express the same thing.

### **AFTER THE CURSE WHAT NEXT?**

After God cursed the serpent, cursed the woman's reproductive organs, and then cursed the ground for Adam's punishment, what next? He made coats of skin to cover their nakedness; and then He drove them out of the paradise environment they had become accustomed to; and placed Cherubims with flaming swords between Him and them. Never again would they be able to enter into His divine presence at their own will. Let us read the scriptures dealing with this phase of their punishment now. (Gen. 3:21) "Unto

Adam also and to his wife did the Lord God make coats of skins, and clothed them. (I wonder what these animal rights people think about that. He did not just skin those animals and then turn them loose.) And the Lord God said, Behold, the man is become as one of us, to know good and evil: (Who did He say that to? It had to be His angelic helpers.) and now, lest he put forth his hand, and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live for ever: Therefore the Lord God sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to till the ground from whence he was taken. So He drove out the man; and He placed at the east of the garden of Eden Cherubims, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to keep the way of the tree of life." These few words, let us know that even after Adam and Eve sinned, they could have still repopulated the earth under the law of the tree of life; if God had not removed them from HIS divine presence. The Cherubims with flaming swords, were positioned between God and man; they were not guarding an entrance gate into a beautiful garden of flowers and trees. Was Adam and Eve still in Eden? They most certainly were. They were still looking at the same natural trees and plant life they were very familiar with; it was just not paradise anymore. Bible terminology does not spell everything out in full detailed pictures. You have to allow the Holy Spirit to help you read between the lines; if you are ever going to see a complete picture of some things.

### A CLOSE LOOK AT THE SERPENT

Mr. Post jumped on what Bro. Branham said about the original sin, "The serpent beguiled Eve, and had a sex relation with her." To him, that sounded ridiculous. He used the words Bro. Branham used, that the serpent was just an animal, and endeavored by the use his intelligence, to prove to modern, 20th century, educated mankind, that this is a ridiculous way of twisting the scriptures. I will just say to him, Do not forget, certain things in the Bible are written in symbolic, pictorial language; that veils them from those who look at everything from the standpoint of natural reasoning. I will give you one instance you will not have to go back before the flood to verify. In Isaiah 40:3-5, you find that prophet speaking words of prophecy that literally, have not come to pass; but we know that from the spiritual standpoint, they were all pointing to the ministry of John the Baptist, as he preached preparing the heart's of people for the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ. Notice the language here; as we read these three verses. "The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Every valley shall be exalted, and every mountain and hill shall be made low: and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough places plain: And the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together: for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it." Notice how it speaks; that every valley shall be exalted. It said, Every valley. It also said, Every hill shall be brought low; and the crooked made straight. Brothers and sisters, if you take that literally, and look for the application of it in a natural, literal way, I would have to say to you, That is a prophecy that has never yet been fulfilled. I have been in the holy land. I have been to the place where John the Baptist preached. I want you to know, All those hills are still there. Every valley is still there. There may be a few changes in the terrain; because 2000 years of rain is naturally going to wash a few gullies deeper; and so forth; but none of those hills were touched by this prophecy. None of those valleys were touched by this prophecy. The crooked trails and paths of camels and horses are still there also. Not a one of them were touched. What is the language referring to then? It is talking about people, in a pictorial language. Why did the prophet not just come right out and explain it in plain words, by just saying, A man will stand in the wilderness preaching; and what he will say will cut down those who are exalted; and exalt many who have been lowly? God made sure certain things in His Word were written in a way that only a spiritual mind could understand. That is why certain things are written in pictorial language; so He can hide it from some, and reveal it to others. Mr. Post also attacked Bro. Branham's reference to the seed of the woman. He says in his tract, "Seed is never reckoned through the woman but always through the man." That is not what the Bible says. Let us go back and read Genesis 3:15. I am sure the Lord did not just make a mistake, when He worded it this way. God was in the process of cursing this serpent creature; and this is what He said to him. "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." God Himself referred to the woman's seed; so I am one that will not question that; and neither should anyone else who has proper respect for God's word. This serpent creature, as we have already brought out, was not a son of God. Adam was; but the serpent was no. However the fact that we have said he was not a son of God, does not mean that we believe he was just a dumb beast of the animal kingdom. He was just the opposite of that. He was a creature that physically stood so close to Adam in all of his makeup, he probably looked more

human than a lot of what we see walking the streets today. He had a body that looked much like Adam's body. That is the creature the scientists of our day have been looking for. They know there is a missing link between man and the now present highest form of any creature in the animal kingdom; but they refuse to look for him in the Bible. Parrots have to be taught to talk; and that is usually in a very limited way; but I want to say, While that serpent was still an upright creature he could vocally communicate with Adam and Eve. He did not have to be taught to talk; God created him with that ability; so he could be a proper servant for Adam. He had the intelligence and necessary ability to vocally communicate. He could ask Adam what he wanted him to do; and he could understand and fully carry out his assignment. Therefore it is no strange thing that the Creator talked to him; and neither is it unthinkable that he (the serpent) had a sexual encounter with Eve. We naturally realize that other animals will not cross with human beings for reproduction; but God ordained it to be different in this case. Neither is dual conception such a remote possibility; for we have documented proof on record, of other women conceiving seed from two different individuals in a short period of time; and giving birth to what seemed to be twins. Therefore knowing of these other cases where dual conception took place, scriptural evidence is too obvious, for us to deny the fact that Cain and Abel could have been the offspring of just such a conception. That would mean that Cain was the seed of the serpent; and Abel was the son of Adam; and Eve was the mother of both of them. When God stripped the serpent of his arms and legs, and made him a crawling reptile, there was still an upright creature which was half animal and half human; and those attributes of his father, caused Cain to like to work with the soil. The bible says he became a tiller of the ground. On the other hand, Abel manifesting the attributes of his father Adam, became a keeper of sheep. Before the curse, Adam never had to perform manual labor. That was the serpent's responsibility. We will deal with this line of thought a little more thoroughly; after we finish with God's words to the serpent; and what He surely meant.

### THE SERPENT'S SEED - THE WOMAN'S SEED

Again, I want to read what God said to the serpent. "I will put enmity between thee and the woman. (Those words were applicable at the moment of time the cursing and penalty was being dealt out. The woman Eve, would always hate that creature; no matter where she saw him. Eve, from his upright position, to his cursed state, always knew exactly which one he was, among the other reptiles. Wherever she would overtake that thing, that feeling of enmity toward it was always there. The next words though, are the words in question; but the eternal God is the One that spoke them.) and between thy seed and her seed." I wonder if Mr. Post has ever asked himself **what this serpent's seed could be**; and what God meant? Furthermore it does not say, Adam's seed; it says, her seed. **What would her seed be?** This we know for sure, Whatever the seed of this woman is, it shall bruise the head of the serpent. I do not believe there should be any doubt that this is talking about Christ, and His atonement work at Calvary. It will be finished at the second coming of Christ; when He brings an end to the antichrist, which is Satan's serpent seed in its final hour; if I may express it like that. I want you to know though, the antichrist will not be a snake; sitting on a throne somewhere. He is going to be a two legged, religious man. The world religions have been crying for the last 40 years, that Communism is the antichrist. Communism is caving in. All it is now, is a political ideology. It is anti-God; not antichrist. It is anti-God; but it could never be rightly called, antichrist. Scripturally, the word antichrist speaks of that which is contrary to the true teaching of Jesus Christ; and contrary to the true teaching about Jesus Christ. This seed of the woman, was to eventually bruise the serpent's head; and it bruise His heel. We have already brought that out; so let us look at another scripture that also speaks of the woman having a seed. Her seed, was the seed brought about by her own husband. You can try to prove that the seed always comes by the male, if you want to; but let us see what the Bible says about it. This was quite some time after Abel's death. Cain had already left, going eastward into the land of Nod; getting away from his past. Adam and Eve were left without a son; and here is what was written concerning this matter. In Genesis 4:25, we find these words, "And Adam knew his wife again; and she bare a son, and called his name Seth: For God, said she, hath appointed me another seed instead of Abel, whom Cain slew." Cain, which was not the true, God recognized seed of Eve, slew her true seed Abel, leaving her without a seed that God would honor. It is very strange, how this preacher insists that Cain himself was just as much the son of Adam as Abel was; when we have scriptures that make it so clear, that he was not acknowledged to be such. It was not Adam; but Eve that said, God hath appointed me (Eve) another seed instead of Abel. If what I see is not the way it was, then let someone please explain it to me. Cain was still alive. He was in the land of Nod. He was starting his own seed line; and once he left, Eve never did call him her seed. The closest she ever came

to it, was in verse 1, of chapter 4, when she said "I have gotten a man from the Lord." That was not a strange statement; when you consider that all life comes from God; because He is the only source of life. Furthermore Eve did not know when she made that statement; what she learned later. After Abel appeared on the scene, and especially after she had an opportunity to watch them grow up, she certainly knew Cain was not a son of Adam. Saints we need to recognize and realize one important thing here. Cain had the attributes in him to become angry; and to commit murder. Adam's seed line never had any of those attributes; before they started intermarrying there in chapter 6. After they began to intermarry, those later generations could have been capable of anything; as was evidenced by the overall moral conditions that existed before the great flood of chapter 7. The book of Genesis is named after chapters 4 and chapter 5; because the word Genesis itself, means, history of the genes. The genes that flow through the reproductive organs of mankind, carry the law of God's creative, reproduction process. That is why everything brings forth of its own kind; if man will let nature take its ordained course.

## THE GARDENS OF EDEN

In this tract, Mr. Post took issue with what Bro. Branham said about the Eden of Ezekiel; evidently trying to prove how ignorant Bro. Branham must have been, by bringing it out that this Eden was an Eden of stones. I will not argue with you on that. You brought out, how Adam's Eden was a garden; and that God planted those trees. We talk of the garden of Eden as though Eden itself was the garden; when actually, Eden is the geographical area of the world, known to mankind as the cradle of civilization. Eden itself was not the garden. Eden is the name given the area where God put the garden. When you read in the third chapter, the description of that territory, the river areas and everything, they are all still there today; even after the flood. That is the geographical area where the garden was; when it all started. However when God drove Adam and Eve from this beautiful place, we have to realize that there are two things to consider. There was a natural garden; a geographical place upon earth, where God's plan had its beginning; but the other side of this garden picture was a spiritual setting; because it was God's presence there, that made it paradise. That is why, as long as it remained like that, it was just as easy for Adam to see angels, as it was for him to see a horse; or a deer. God's presence is what made the difference. Those two trees, life and knowledge, did not grow out of the ground; yet they were in the garden. Nevertheless When Adam and Eve were driven from that beautiful paradise, God lifted that. For almost 6000 years, mankind has been eating from, or partaking of the tree of knowledge; but the other tree, the tree of life, according to the words of Jesus in Revelation 2:7, is in the midst of the paradise of God; which is in heaven. How did it get there? It is there, because it is a figurative tree, a basic law which God retains unto Himself. It is a part of the spirit realm, the realm of God's presence. Saints: You cannot depend upon your intellect; to open up this symbolic language to your understanding; it takes a revelation of certain other things of the word of God to understand some of these things that cause great controversy among people. Many people endeavor to use their intellect to disprove things they think someone else cannot possibly be right about. We are not trying with our intellect; to prove anything to anyone; for we realize it is the Spirit of God that gives us a revelation. A revelation, is an understanding of how a picture goes together. When their eyes were opened, and they knew they were naked, instead of going to a fig tree, why did Adam and Eve not go to the tree of life to get leaves to cover their nakedness? I will say it once again, Because the tree of life was not a plant life tree. Those two trees were the basis for the test Adam and Eve had to face. No son of God will ever glide through life without facing a test of loyalty and obedience. First God makes known His perfect will; and then those who are to be tested, either pass the test, or fail the test by the way they respond to the known will of God. For Adam and Eve, it was a question of how they would go about the task of fulfilling the great commission given to them. They were told to be fruitful and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth. That is what they were commanded to do. Then God told them what not to do; and left them to exercise their own will; as to whether they would obey Him or not. It was James that wrote, "Therefore to him that knoweth to do good, and doeth it not, to him it is sin." That is where our test always comes, in the areas where we know the will of God. Satan either attempts to get us to doubt that God meant what He said; or just to deliberately disobey Him and face the consequences. If he cannot get us to doubt the word of God, his next effort is to get us to be careless. Careless living, is what brings so much shame upon a lot of Christians. Well did Adam and Eve fulfill the commission God gave to them? Yes they did. The earth has been refilled with living creatures; and man has learned to exercise dominion over all the

rest of the living creatures. The thing that brought their trouble, was exercising their own will to go contrary to what God told them; concerning the two laws (trees) He had placed in the **midst** of their garden of paradise. They replenished the earth; but their sin caused God to have to impute the death penalty to them; and the result of Eve's seduction eventually got the whole human race in such a bad shape, God had to wipe the slate clean and start over. No He did not have to recreate anything; He loaded a boat with what He wanted to save; and drowned everything that was left. After the flood waters abated, and the ark had come to rest upon Mt. Ararat, the day came for Noah to open the ark and come forth from it. Here is what God said to them at that time, (Gen. 8:16) "Go forth of the ark, thou, and thy wife, and thy sons, and thy sons' wives with thee. Bring forth with thee every living thing that is with thee, of all flesh, both of fowl, and of cattle, and of every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth; that they may breed abundantly in the earth, and be fruitful, and multiply upon the earth." After Noah built an altar and worshipped God, he was given the same commission Adam was given, (Gen. 9:1) "And God blessed Noah and his sons, and said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth." Did Noah fulfill his commission? He sure did; but every little baby that has ever been born into this world, except for Jesus who was begotten of the Spirit of God, was conceived under the law of the tree of knowledge.

### **HOW - AND WHEN JESUS WAS TESTED**

As we said, Adam and Eve were to fill the earth with that of their kind. Not only was it to be filled with cows and horses and sheep and dogs, and so forth. The earth was to be filled with the offspring of Adam and Eve themselves. Therefore the test God confronted them with, was not how many horses they would bring forth. No. The test had to come against them on the basis of how they were going to reproduce themselves. If Mr. Post, or anyone else, wants to challenge this, that is fine with me. I am set, for the defense of this revelation; whenever it needs to be defended. Let us go to the 4th chapter of Matthew; for a look at another test. The baptism of Jesus, was recorded in the last part of the 3rd chapter. We know what took place then. He came there, being (according to the scriptures) about 30 years of age; and was baptized by John. He walked out into the water as the only begotten Son of God; speaking from the standpoint of the natural man that He was. Spiritually speaking, John called Him the Lamb of God. Why? Because he had a revelation. When He came up out of the water, the heavens were opened unto Him; and the Eternal, Jehovah Spirit, descended from heaven and filled Him. This is where the God of heaven came and dwelled in His begotten Son, in the fullness of all His divine qualities, or attributes. From that moment on, God became invested in a man. Yes He was more than a man; but to show the world that He was a man that had all the feelings, physically, psychologically, and every wise as you and I, He was led by the same Spirit that had filled Him, into the wilderness; where He fasted for 40 days and nights. At the end of His fast, He was tested; just the same as Adam and Eve were tested in their garden of paradise. Therefore what I want you to see, is that just as the first Adam who was a son of God, was tested, Jesus the second Adam, had to be tested also. Was He tested on how He was going to walk? Was it on the way He was going to comb His hair, or what time He should eat breakfast? Was any of that the basis on which Jesus was tested? No. He was tested on the basis of the three distinct things He was destined to be; in due process of time, on behalf of lost Mankind. First He was to be the means by how God brings about an atonement and a reconciliation, and eradication of sin on the face of this earth. That is why the first thing was, He hungered. How was that going to be a test? Was he tested, to see if He would walk 40 miles to get something to eat? No. Listen to what the devil said to Him; and you will see what the first test was. (Matthew 4:2-4) "And when He had fasted forty days and forty nights, He was afterward an hungered. And when the tempter came to Him, he said, If thou be the Son of God, command that these stones be made bread." Could He have done it? Yes He could have; but yet I can say this, What a contrast! In Genesis 3, where the first Adam was tested, this Mr. Post attacked Bro. Branham's revelation concerning Eve and the serpent, by saying it was genetically impossible for the serpent (which he thinks was just a mere beastly animal) to be genetically capable of planting a seed in the womb of Adam's wife; that would be compatible for the purpose of conception. To you Mr. Post, and all others like you, I say this, It looks impossible; because you look at it completely from the standpoint of natural reasoning. You refuse to look at the fact that God has permitted this to be possible; that these two may be tested in relationship to how they are going to bring forth of themselves, offspring of their own kind, to fulfill the commission He had given to them. As I said earlier, in other words, Their test had to be in relation to what they were commissioned to do. Therefore their test was in how they were to bring forth that of their kind, to repopulate the earth. All other creatures were going to bring forth of their



kind. The horse would bring forth the horse, the cow, another of its kind, and so on. Man was to bring forth another man; but on what basis would he do it? That was the test. One was the wrong way; and the other was the right way. Why was Jesus tempted by the devil to turn stones to bread? Because He was destined to be a miracle worker; when the Spirit of the Father in Him led Him to perform some supernatural deed. What the devil wanted, was to get Him to exercise His own will in performing a miracle; instead of the will of the Father. He later fed a multitude, with five small loaves of bread and two small fish; so we know He could have turned the stones to bread. That would have been no more difficult than expanding that small lunch, to feed a multitude. My point is this, When you try to discredit something based only upon the mere word structure of what is written in chapter 3, you are going at it in a fruitless way. God will laugh at you one of these days. After Adam and Eve disobeyed God, they covered their loins with leaves from plant life. The question then is, Why will God not accept plant life. What is wrong with it? I ask you what seems like a simple question, What is wrong with fig leaves, as long as their loins are covered? Is that not the excuse a lot of religions use today? Well what does it matter, whether we see everything exactly the same way, as long as we all believe in Jesus? Listen saints, That is not the way the early church believed. The early church did not even look at the word of God in that way. They heard it right the first time; and had no reason to look for an excuse not to live by what they had been taught. It is this 20th century, Gentile, so-called Christendom, that is always looking for a short cut to heaven. Every individual has his, or her own mind made up. The greater percentage of what is called Christians today, want just enough religion to try to stay out of hell; but they have no desire whatsoever, to live a godly life. That is why I said earlier, Every man has his own briefcase of ideas. It is almost all just traditional formality; so they do not have to worry about offending anyone. The sad part is, when truth does knock on his door, he still wants to hang on to most of it. No you do not cast out everything you have built your spiritual life around, the first day you discover truth; but neither do you hang on to it so tightly it cannot be dislodged. The God ordained pattern is, submit to the Holy Spirit; and let Him purge out error a little at a time, with true revelation.

### **SPIRITUAL INSIGHT**

Realizing that sin was introduced to the family of God by a creature of the animal kingdom, and finding out how it actually came about, opens up our understanding on a lot of what we previously considered mysterious utterances written in the scriptures. Just learning that Eve's sin was not committed by her partaking of some forbidden plant life fruit, lifts you up out of a great state of spiritual darkness; and gets you ready for a very interesting journey through the Bible. Then you can understand better, why God always demanded a blood sacrifice from those who desired to worship Him, instead of a basket of fruit from their vegetable garden. Adam and Eve covered the parts they sinned with, by making aprons out of plant life tree leaves; but when God found them like that, He made coats out of animal skins, to replace those fig leaves. What kind of animal did He get the skins from? Was it a lion? Was it a camel? No, I do not believe it was anything other than lamb's skin. In the scriptures, the first thing that stands out as a sacrifice, a substitute, was that of sheep, lambs.

### **WHY GOD CURSED EVE'S REPRODUCTIVE ORGANS INSTEAD OF HER TEETH**

At this point, before we get them out of the garden, there is something I want to take time to explain as clearly as I possibly can. God has already cursed them; and is about to send them from His presence. He has cursed the ground; and commissioned Adam to do his own tilling of the soil; now that he no longer has the serpent to do that for him. He did not curse Adam's reproductive ability; like He did the woman's. That in itself, ought to tell anyone something. That is why I say, If we are going to hang all of this on a plant life tree, I think God did wrong to curse her reproductive organs. What He should have done was give her a large set of teeth. That may sound silly; but it is no more so, than the idea that God cursed them for eating an apple. I am just trying to make it fit the way denominational church people believe it; because that is all they look at. When you get them in a corner, they simply say, It does not matter. Well if it does not matter, why are they always fussing at us and saying we are deceived, because we say Eve was seduced by the serpent? Those who believe the devil's apple story, call us fanatics; but I can look at them and say, You are spiritually blind; if you believe eating a plant life fruit plunged mankind into his lost state of separation from his Creator. Spiritual blindness is what caused Mr. Post to write what he wrote; therefore I just say to him, You are blind. Saints: It takes spiritual eyes to see things like this. It is very strange, when Jesus

confirmed the fact that it was John the Baptist who fulfilled the voice of that one crying in the wilderness, it has been a settled fact every since. All Christendom has accepted the fact that those hills were those religious big shots called Pharisees and those who were considered spiritual leaders in Israel; yet they cannot see fruit as anything but something from plant life trees. Nevertheless I can see those two trees as two laws God set before Adam and Eve in order to test their obedience. When I heard Bro. Branham say, Jesus Christ is the tree of life; my only question was, In what form; and that was not to him. I got my answer to that question in my mind a little later; and now I see both trees for what they represented there in that paradise environment. Every quality of that tree of life is invested in Jesus. Through Him, mankind can still obtain what they would have automatically had, if Adam and Eve had never partaken of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. In fact, if Eve would have eaten from that tree, (Had sex with her husband only for the purpose of reproduction) and not from this other tree, (Which is sex for pleasure) every child she would have given birth to, would have been the same kind of little baby Mary gave birth to there in Bethlehem 2000 years ago. Every one of them would have come into the world with eternal life abiding in them; instead of the sentence of death that all of us came into the world carrying. The reason God bypassed man in the birth of Jesus from that virgin womb, is because no man or woman, by the natural reproductive organs, can bring a baby into the world with eternal life abiding in it; and mankind needed redemption that could only be obtained by such a sacrifice as Jesus made; when He offered up Himself as a sacrifice for the sins of all mankind. Until that time, God required an animal sacrifice to be offered for the sins of the people. However that animal sacrifice only pushed their sins on ahead, to Calvary; it did not blot them out forever; like the blood of Christ did. Well how did Abel and those old Patriarchs know that God would require an animal sacrifice instead of a fruit basket, from those who desired to worship Him? The revelation came from what God did to cover Adam and Eve; after they sinned. Let us read it again in (Gen.3:21) "Unto Adam also and to his wife did the Lord God make coats of skins, and clothed them." When we look at this garden, and look at this clothing, God has brought skins to cover their nakedness. This was just before He expelled them from that beautiful paradise realm. When God says something, or does something, that is the way it is to be; He does not want a substitute. He does not want you saying, Well why won't this work, it should be just as good? No. They threw their fig leaves away and left there wearing something like sheep skins. Whether it was sheep skins, or some other kind of skins, they still had to come from animals; and that means there was blood spilled.

### EFFECTS OF EATING FROM THE TREE OF KNOWLEDGE

Look at verse 22; and notice what God said; then I will give you an example. "And the Lord God said, Behold, the man is become as one of us, (talking to His angels that assisted Him) to know good and evil." May I say this, under the present physical covenant that true man and true woman live under, (which is strictly pleasure from the tree of knowledge) when a young man and young woman go out somewhere and give themselves to someone else, outside the bounds of wedlock, in the eyes of God it is sin; and they both know it. It is absolutely wrong. When they do it, in their mind's they cannot help but think, I have done wrong. That is the knowledge between what is right and what is wrong. Adam and Eve lost that state of innocence; the moment they disobeyed God. Until that, they knew nothing about guilt. The last part of verse 22, is what really gets some people set in concrete on the word eat. "And now, lest he put forth his hand, and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live for ever:" Sure Mr. Post, and MacPherson, you are hung up on that word eat. You have magnified it to the degree that all you can see is their mouth. I will agree that the language sounds like that is what it is talking about; but the word eat definitely means to partake of. However outside of the garden, the word eat is never used again, in that sense; even though man is still eating (or partaking) of the tree of knowledge. Yes you could say he brought it with him; because it is in his mind. He certainly did not carry it out of the garden of paradise as a potted plant. You cannot go down the highway of life and find nurseries growing the tree of knowledge. That is not where it is found. Mr. Post: I have news for you. The tree of knowledge is not in the paradise of God any more. That is why we have to recognize the sacred language used there in the garden, in that paradise realm, and settle on the fact that to eat, was to partake of one or the other of those two trees. Once out of the garden, the terminology changed; it was never eat any more. Various other terms were used; but they every one meant the same thing the word eat meant; there in paradise. What were some of the words or phrases that took the place of eat? Here is one. "He knew" his wife, and she conceived. For centuries, that terminology was used; and every time you read it, you know exactly what it implies. Later on it changed to, "He went in

**unto her;**" and we all know exactly what that implies. Nevertheless regardless of the terminology, it all points to the same thing; sex for pleasure under the **LAW** of the tree of Knowledge. Sex for pleasure is no longer looked upon as wrong, by the Creator; as long as it is between a man and his legal wife; but the fruit of that pleasure act is a little baby; that comes into this world with a sentence of death hanging over it. Those perverted men of Sodom used the same terminology for their perverted acts that was used to describe the proper sex relationship of a man and his wife; when they tried to persuade Lot to send the two angels out to them. Notice in verse 5, of Gen.19, as we read 4-7. "But before they lay down, the men of the city, even the men of Sodom, compassed the house round, both old and young, all the people from every quarter: And they called unto Lot, and said unto him, Where are the men which came in to thee this night? bring them out unto us, that we may **know them**. (Lots answer lets us know what they had on their mind.) And Lot went out at the door unto them, and shut the door after him, And said, I pray you, brethren, do not so **wickedly**. Behold now, I have two daughters which have not **known man**; let me, I pray you, bring them out unto you, and do ye to them as is good in your eyes: only unto these men do nothing; for therefore came they under the shadow of my roof." All of those terms speak of the same thing; sex for pleasure; but mankind, in his degenerate condition, has taken the same thing and made X-rated movies to entertain their own kind. It all started right back here in Genesis; when Eve allowed that old serpent to seduce her. It is not how you eat apples or figs, that God looks at; it is how you observe and abide by the covenant God has given to man, when He drove them out of paradise. They have been living under it ever since then: but just look how the devil has drove mankind to debase it. They take the sacred aspects out of it; and make it something the devil can sit back and laugh at God about. Let us finish this part here. **"Lest he put forth his hand, and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live for ever."** What is God talking about? He is actually saying this, You cannot live here in this beautiful realm of my presence, enjoying it, and having peace of mind, yet knowing what this pleasure is, and at the same time, having the knowledge of what this tree is, then at the right time partaking of that, and expect that you are going to give birth to a child and live forever in your state of sin. Let me say this, These are the two basic laws God set before the human race from the beginning of time. **There is a right; and there is a wrong**. We can read about it in the book of Numbers. As the children of Israel were coming through the wilderness journey, there was a test made. God told them, I am going to take you to a land that flows with milk and honey. Then He let 12 spies go over for 40 days and view the land. When they came back, they said, We cannot take it; there are giants over there; and their cities are walled. There is no way we can do this. They filled that entire crowd with unbelief. Then the whole congregation began squalling, complaining, and murmuring against Moses; saying that he had brought them out into that wilderness to die. God answered all that complaining by pronouncing a death sentence upon the guilty ones. You can read the whole thing in Numbers, chapters 13-15, if you care to. (14:22) "Because all those men which have seen my glory, and my miracles, which I did in Egypt and in the wilderness, and have tempted me now these ten times, and have not hearkened to my voice; Surely they shall not see the land which I swore unto their fathers, neither shall any of them that provoked me see it: But my servant Caleb, because he had another spirit with him, and hath followed me fully, him will I bring into the land whereinto he went; and his seed shall possess it." Then in verse 33, He said, "And your children shall wander in the wilderness forty years, and bear your whoredoms, until your carcasses be wasted in the wilderness." Moses told the people what the Lord had said; and they mourned greatly; realizing that they had not only rejected Moses; but had rejected the Lord also. After the last of those spies that returned with the evil report had died, those others that had believed their evil report tried to repent; but they had missed their opportunity to walk with God. Their sentence had already been pronounced upon them. Verses 40-45, of chapter 14, tell of the experience; and shows the results of trying to do without the blessings of God, what they had previously refused to do; when God was there to help them. Let us read those verses. "And they rose up early in the morning, and gat them up into the top of the mountain, saying, Lo, we be here, and will go up unto the place which the Lord hath promised: for we have sinned. And Moses said, Wherefore now do ye transgress the commandment of the Lord? but it shall not prosper. **Go not up, for the Lord is not among you**; that ye be not smitten before your enemies. For the Amalekites and the Canaanites are there before you, and **ye shall fall by the sword: because ye are turned away from the Lord**, therefore the Lord will not be with you. But they presumed to go up unto the hill top: nevertheless the ark of the covenant of the Lord, and Moses, departed not out of the camp. Then the Amalekites came down, and the Canaanites which dwelt in that hill, and smote them, and discomfited them, even unto Hormah." In other word, Their enemies just simply cleaned up on them; and they suffered a great loss of lives. When they allowed themselves to be filled with unbelief, after seeing all the miracles the Lord had already performed on their behalf, and refused to do things strictly God's way, then God,

through Moses, spoke to them and said, Indeed you will not take this land, because you have gone against my divine plan. When they became aware of how they have grieved God, and began to say, Oh we will go up anyhow, Moses just simply said, You are too late. Your opportunity to walk with God has passed you by. If you try to go now, you will be defeated. When God gives mankind the perfect way to do a thing, and the man fails to carry it out that way, then God rebukes him; and tells him there is a penalty he will now suffer because of his failure to abide in the will of his Creator. When it goes that far, there is no way that man can re-justify himself and go carry it out. This is the difference between right and wrong. The sin, is in knowing the will of God and exercising your own will to do something contrary. Adam and Eve knew what God had said about those two trees; (which we know were two laws God had placed before them to test their obedience) and they partook of the forbidden tree anyhow, exercising their own will over the will of God. Even so, If God had not judged their wrong deed, and stripped them of their first endowment of intelligence, (that which they knew to do, while they were still in that state of innocence) they could have still partaken of that same act at exactly the right time; and Eve would have given birth to a little baby that would have had eternal life. In other words, If God had allowed them to remain in His divine presence, under that same anointing, with their knowledge of that same act for pleasure only, they would have been partaking of both trees at the same time. God will not allow us to partake of both good and evil at the same time, with His blessings; He requires us to make a choice between the two. In their case, it was not a question of staying there where those two trees were growing; for those two trees were two laws. That geographical location, was just man's beginning point. Now the whole earth is populated with people who are partaking of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil; and they do not have to go to the Middle East to do so. God will not let man abide in His divine presence, knowing right from wrong; and choosing the wrong. I will just give this little illustration: You cannot be a true Christian and go downtown and get drunk too. You cannot be a true Christian and run around with someone else's wife. Regardless of what the world does, and says, You cannot serve God and Satan both at the same time. You cannot be a true Christian and be a lesbian. Regardless of what the world says about lifestyles, and how much they scream that you have no right to condemn these perverted practices, God says it is wrong. People are deceived by this easy gospel they are hearing in mainstream religion today. Being a Christian, **IS** more than just believing that a man named Jesus, and called "The Christ," died for the sins of all mankind. He died to set us free from the bondage of sin; not to protect us from judgment while we continue on in sin and ungodliness. In order to be a partaker of this great redemption plan of God, one must repent of his former life of ungodliness, obey the gospel in a full new birth experience, turn from his evil ways, and follow the ways of righteousness. Believing in the Lord Jesus Christ, is more than just simply subscribing to a fire insurance policy that can keep you out of hell, while you go on in your unrighteous ways. Notice what the apostle Paul wrote to the Galatians: (5:17-21) "For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: **so that ye cannot do the things that ye would.** But if ye be led of the Spirit, ye are not under the law. Now the **works of the flesh** are manifest, which are these; adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that **they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.**" As for this homosexual lifestyle, we have already read the scripture in Genesis 19:4-8, that show what the men of Sodom were given over to; and we know from other scriptures, that God destroyed the whole city because of it. You may think you can be a Christian homosexual, but the word of God lets us know that you will end up in hell. You do not have the Spirit of God in you; and without it, you are not one of His. If you think that is plain talk, listen to the apostle Paul, in 2Thess. 1:7-9; as he gives a little preview of what you have to look forward to. In assuring the true Christians that they had nothing to worry about, he also revealed what will be the end of those who **fail to obey the GOSPEL** of our Lord Jesus Christ. "And to you who are troubled rest with us, when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels, In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that **obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ: who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord,** and from the glory of his power." Notice also, these two verses in Gal.6:7-8, "Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap. For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting. Yes God's word says all that do these ungodly deeds will go to hell. I cannot help what the world church systems do; and neither can I control who they accept as candidates for membership in their religious Clubs. Let them have their homosexual preachers, if that is what they want; but according to this sacred old book, they are going to hell; and those that follow them are going with them. You cannot do wrong and get by. You cannot live in

sin and in eternal life both at the same time. You cannot go to hell and heaven at the same time. It is contradictory. You are going to one place or the other.

### SEPARATION FROM GOD

Let us again read Gen.3:23, and notice what God did as a result of Adam and Eve going contrary to His will. When God put him forth, in the 23rd verse, "Therefore the Lord God sent him (man) forth from the garden of Eden." The garden was the paradise realm. Eden was the geographical part. I will have to say to these two people who criticize, Adam and Eve did not pick up a duffel bag, neither did they load anything on a cart, and start walking. You may think it sounds like they did. They did not. He drove them out of the spirit realm. He separated Himself. That is the first death they died, to be separated from God never to know the beauty, the peace, the joy of living in that beautiful realm of the spirit again. They were driven out. "So He drove out the man; and He placed at the east of the garden of Eden Cherubims, and a flaming sword." Mr. Post, I will have to say, If you literalize all that Eden setting, then there has to be a place in the Middle East today that is off limits to the whole human race; because those angels will still be there. Do you know of such a place? Right where Eden was described as being, between the Euphrates and the Nile and the Havilah, and so forth, it is still there. That is the very cradle of the existence of the mankind. All secular histories trace our genealogical beginning right back to the Fertile Crescent; which encompasses that very area. All our histories, all empires, our Bible, all originate right there. Therefore I ask you once again, What were they driven from? Were they driven from the Middle East, to go somewhere else? No. They were driven from that divine spiritual realm of paradise; separated from it. When God separated paradise from the earth, that fulfilled everything God said to Adam, as he was to be driven out of the garden, to till the ground from whence he was taken. Why was Adam to till the ground from whence he was taken? Because he no longer has his help mate the serpent; which was his servant before the devil got control of him. Not a slave, a servant. He was an intellectual creature of the highest order of animal life. If he had wanted to call him Jim, that would have been all right. If he had wanted to call him Junior, that would have been all right too. Pete, John, or whatever he wanted to call him, he could say, It is time for us to go do this. Adam, the son of God, would never have had a callous on his hand. He would never have known what it was like to wipe sweat from his brow. But when he lost his servant and man started on his degenerate course in time. Not too long after the flood, man was taking other men and making them slaves. That just shows, that inside of man, there is something that causes him to want to rule over, and be superior to something; and use it for a work type of servant. Looking at chapter 3 though, we certainly do know it is not the genealogy of man. It tells us what happened; that caused mankind to be separated from God. The language it is written in a pictorial structure; and that pictorial structure is what causes the garden, the paradise side, as well as the geographical side to remain a mystery to the average church going person. They literalize the whole thing to such an extent, they cannot see what really did happen. God drove man from the paradise he had formerly known, called the garden. It was angels with flaming swords that kept the way, so they could never come back into what they were driven out of. What were they driven out of? Not the geographical area. They were free to roam that from end to end. In that same geographical area, is where they were going to plant their first garden to grow tomatoes. Right there is where they were going to work and toil with their own hands until the sweat would run down their face. There is where they were going to live day in and day out; never again to know what it was to feel the presence of God in that same fellowship they had known with Him before. He would come at certain intervals of time; to speak in the manner the following chapters describe; but His fellowship with man was from a distance after Genesis 3:10. Two things were definitely changed when God drove Adam and Eve out from His presence. Since those angels with flaming swords were positioned between God and mankind, there has never been a person spiritual enough to press his or her self back into that same anointing presence of God at their own will, that Adam and Eve knew in the beginning. That is why Jesus said, I the Son can do nothing except the Father show me. Therefore God, the great Eternal Spirit that holds this beautiful paradise realm within His own grasp, when He lifted it, and separated it from mankind, no one has ever been able at his own choosing, to project himself back into that realm. The other thing that is different, no woman from that day to this, has ever known exactly when she could conceive seed to bring forth an offspring. Medical science has been trying for centuries, to figure this thing out; but God will never let them perfect that part of their scientific endeavors. You know yourself, sex education in our schools, has never reached the place where they can tell a young girl when she can have sex for pleasure without taking the chance of becoming a

mother to a little baby. I am trying to make this plain and simple without using language that could be considered vulgar; so listen carefully to what I say; and you will know what I mean. In other words, If the modern woman today, had the knowledge Eve had before she left the garden, she would know exactly when to walk up to her husband and say, It is time for us to make love; so we can have an addition to our family. If she were like that, she would not be cursed to have a period every 28 days, as all women are today. She would have only had a period in relationship to that tree of life. The only time she would have known her husband in that way, would not have been for mere pleasure; it would always have been to conceive and bring forth life. There never would have been lust; nor a prostitute or a whoremonger. There never would have been a lesbian; and the word homosexual, would not even be in our vocabulary. Effeminate, would not be a word we would need to use either; nor any of these other modern, debased, degenerate description of lifestyles like we have all over the world today. The Bible says it is all going to wind up in the lake of fire; no matter what modern man may want to believe. That is why I say, The cow was not put here to be tested. The horse was not put here to be tested; because they were not the ones that were going to rule the planet. They were not the ones God told to subdue the earth, and so forth. It was man and woman, that God said this to, "Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth." They had the responsibility of watching over all other life; both animal life and plant life; to make sure the earth was refilled with both and beautified. After failing their test and being judged by the Creator, their job became very difficult; because the earth began to bring forth thorns and thistles, and they also multiplied. The terrain became terribly burdensome to Adam and Eve; as they set forth to earn their living substance by their own labors; without the help of the serpent. That one tree and all it stands for, has brought every heartache, every tombstone, every cancer, every case of tuberculosis, and all these evil things you see going on in the world today. As I stated earlier, Genesis 4, is where the record of the genealogy begins. Chapter 4, is not telling you what happened in the garden. Chapter 4, is telling you what happened outside the garden of paradise; and begins to give the genealogy of Adam's line of offspring. There were no babies born in the garden; only a conception. A wrong act was introduced in the garden; but out of the garden, is where the genealogy of man's descent began to be recorded.

### WHAT ABOUT THE GENEALOGY OF ADAM?

The next two chapters we are going to look at, are what the whole book of Genesis is written from. "And Adam knew Eve his wife; (Notice only one time is the word knew, used in this reference. Why then, were there two sons born, and only one of them was a son of Adam?) and she conceived, and bare Cain, and said, (Notice what was said. Everyone jumps on this language used by Eve; to repudiate what we are teaching.) I have gotten a man from the Lord." I want you to listen to that, I have gotten a man from the Lord. I will say this, The breath of life in Cain had to come from the Creator; there is no other source of life. However he was the first child born out of wedlock. In plain terminology, he was a bastard. Do not get mad at me. There is no reason to climb a wall and pull your hair out. Cain was a man; and that is all he was. He was certainly not a son of Adam. He is not found in the genealogy of Adam; and there is no reason to think he should have been. Adam's genealogy goes from Abel right to Seth. Cain's genealogy is recorded; but you cannot find it traced back to Adam; like the sons of God line is; over in the gospel of Luke. (3:38) "Which was the son of Enos, which was the son of Seth, which was the son of Adam, which was the son of God." When Cain grew up, he did not even think like his half brother Abel did. Denominational church systems scoff at what we teach about Cain and Abel; but I want you to know, In this 20th century, in the last 30 years, I have read no less than three different records of women of ill fame, having given themselves to two different men at close intervals of time, and it so happened that they were men of distinctly different races. The women dually conceived by this means; and gave birth to babies that were not twins. The medical world has a word for these rare cases; it is called SUPERFETATION. The last one I read about, took place when the democratic convention was taking place down in Florida some years ago. A woman prostitute camped about this democratic convention and she gave herself to one Anglo Saxon man, one Chinese man, and one black man, all on the same night. She conceived seed by all three; but in this particular case she only saved the one she conceived by the Chinese man. However both of the other two women gave birth to both babies. Now tell me why a thing like that can take place in the twentieth century, with documentation, and some of you think it is completely ridiculous for anyone to say that same thing is what happened to Eve 6,000 years ago? We also have a little article copied from another paper; that tells of

another woman giving birth to two babies two minutes apart, that were conceived one month apart. You may read it from the original source; inserted below.

- **EXCERPT**

***CAIN - THE SERPENT'S SON***

Alright then, the serpent yielded himself, a tool of Satan, and as a result Eve brought forth one son, which they named Cain, and said, "I have gotten a man from the Lord." Sure. She could say that. What other Creator is there? It took God to put breath of life in that little baby, even if he was the son of the serpent. do no forget; God created the serpent also, so where else could she have gotten that little son except from the Lord? But do not forget also, Eve was the one that made that statement. No one else did, so let us read the whole thing together, there in chapter 4, and pay close attention to the wording. Moses is writing this account of what happened, and says, "And Adam knew Eve his wife; and she conceived, (notice the comma) and bare Cain, and said I have gotten a man from the Lord. (Notice now) And she again bare his brother Abel." But it does not say, Adam knew Eve his wife again, and she bare Abel. Do you see anything there, in that terminology? It had to be, that she bare what would seem to have been twins, but they did not both have the same father. Bro.Jackson: Are you sure that is possible? Yes I am. We have published articles that confirm the fact that such births have taken place from time to time; it is called "SUPERFETATION."

***RARE HUMAN BIRTHS'  
TOTS BORN 2 MINUTES APART ARE NOT TWINS***

*Cleveland, Ohio - (UPI) - Doctors here said Tuesday that two babies, born two minutes apart to Mrs. Leonard Shaffer last Saturday, are not twins.*

*Dr. Paul R. Zeit of the Cleveland Clinic called the case "one of the rarest occurrences in human births."*

*Michelle Lynn, who beat her brother Michael Lee into the world by two minutes, is actually "younger" than Michael if age before birth is considered.*

*Michelle was an eight-month baby, while her brother was a full-term nine-month infant.*

*Doctors said the babies were not conceived at the same time. X-rays taken Tuesday of the infants confirmed that they were not twins, and a pediatrician explained that the babies did not come from the same egg. Normally, after a woman conceives, she stops ovulating.*

*Both Mr. and Mrs. Shaffer's families have a history of twins.*

*Dr. Zeit said such births were far more rare than quadruplets.*

*Michael is a husky 6 pound, 11 ounces, while Michelle, who is in an incubator, weighs 4 pounds, 3 ounces.*

In Webster's Dictionary, here is what it says about superfetation, "Successive fertilization of two or more ova of different ovulations resulting in the presence of embryos of unlike ages in the uterus." Alright then, when you establish the fact that such a thing is possible, the next thing your critics come up with, is that the serpent was an animal, and therefore could not have mated in that way, with this daughter of God. But these same people will read over in chapter 6, where the sons of God saw the daughters of men that they were fair; and they took them wives of all which they chose, and they will say that the sons of God were angels, and the daughters of men were offspring from Adam's line. Now that really crosses the scriptures up, for Jesus referred to angels in a sexless sense. Over in the gospel of St. Luke, chapter 20, verses 27-36, you find where the Sadducees, that did not believe in a resurrection of the dead, sprang a hypothetical situation upon the Lord, trying to trap Him, and it was His answer to them, that we are interested in, so let

us begin reading in verse 34. "And Jesus answering said unto them, The children of this world marry, and are given in marriage; But they which shall be accounted worthy to obtain that world, and the resurrection from the dead, neither marry, nor are given in marriage; Neither can they die any more; FOR THEY ARE EQUAL UNTO (or in that way like) THE ANGELS." Therefore I say to you, It is more logical to believe God allowed that serpent to impregnate Eve, than to believe angels took upon themselves human bodies, came down to earth, and married daughters of Adam's deed. I hope you are following me. If you think you know so much about genetic laws, that you can dogmatically rule out serpent seed, then please do not try to tell me that angels had sex relations with humans. Yet we know from the scriptures, that it had to be one of the two, and I believe we have other scriptures to prove that Cain was a son of the serpent. Furthermore John called him, or referred to him, as, of that wicked one, because he slew his brother. If Cain was Adam's son, where did he get those murderous attributes? God did not impute murder into Adam's genes. No. Cain was the son of something that had literally yielded to the devil, and had those yielding attributes in him also, and we know already, that the devil (Lucifer) is a murderer. We just have to realize, sin had to be the product of a disobedient act, somewhere, and I am saying, because Satan (Lucifer) learned something back there in that prehistoric age, he knows exactly what God means, when he puts the earth in this new dimension, and instructs His son and daughter. He knew perfectly well, how to disrupt the whole picture. He knew if he could just get in control of certain genetic laws, he would have the whole thing in his hand, and that is exactly what he did.

- **END OF EXCERPT**

Sin, as it occurred in the human race, was not something from an apple tree, or fig tree, or pear tree. It had to be something that pertained to how man would reproduce himself to repopulate the earth. It is very strange, how people will believe one thing that is reported; and then deny that such a thing could have ever happened before. Verse 2, "And she again bare his brother Abel. (Sure he was his brother, his half brother. Abel was Adam's true son; but notice, Abel never lived long enough to establish a genetic descent of his own; because his half brother killed him.) And Abel was a keeper of sheep, but Cain was a tiller of the ground. And in process of time it came to pass, that Cain brought of the fruit of the ground an offering unto the Lord. And Abel, he also brought of the firstlings of his flock and of the fat thereof. And the Lord had respect unto Abel and to his offering: But unto Cain and to his offering he had not respect. And Cain was very wroth, (angry) and his countenance fell." In other words, he was disgusted, jealous, and was walking around with his lower lip dragging the ground; (so to speak) and all of this was eating at his insides. The more he thought about it, the harder it was to tolerate; for he believed his offering was just as good as Abel's. (That same spirit is still on religion today. They think their beautiful buildings and all the other apparatuses they use doing what they call, the work of God, is all they need; but God is honoring those who have a revelation of His word today; just like He did 6,000 years ago, when Cain offered Him fruit from the works of his hands and He rejected it.) God watched Cain, as he walked around like that; and said to him, "Why art thou wroth? and why is thy countenance fallen? If thou doest well, shalt thou not be accepted? and if thou doest not well, sin lieth at the door. And unto thee shall be his desire, and thou shalt rule over him." Let us look at these two young men. Modern man, with his 20th century thinking, his whole concept is, Oh but that could not have possibly been what happened back there. Adam and Eve being so holy, and so pure and innocent, would not have allowed themselves to do such a terrible thing. Well if that is the way you look at it, if Cain was a genetic offspring of both of them, why did he never receive a revelation of how to worship God. How come Abel, which was the younger of the two, was born with something in him that told him God wants worship; and that there is a right way for that worship to be accomplished; and Cain was not? God only accepted worship from man, through a blood sacrifice. This lets me know the quality of Abel went right back to that of his father Adam. Though they were out of the garden, and were walking by faith, they knew man is a transgressor; and therefore had the imputed penalty of sin added; and that he would eventually die; yet all these other fallen attributes that eventually turned up, murder, lust, and all the rest, were not even in the picture at that time. It is just that man did not have eternal life; and being separated from God in that way, he knew he must bring God a sacrifice. Abel, who was the direct descendant of Adam, had the characteristic quality to know how to approach and worship God. On the other hand, Cain, (we have to realize) being genetically the offspring of the serpent creature, had no such characteristics about him; because animals do not worship God like men do. His whole attitude, behavior, and outlook, were like that of his father. His father (being of the animal kingdom) was strictly earthly



minded. His father did not have to be taught one thing about growing watermelons, planting potatoes, or growing anything else. He was created to do those things; because the Creator designed him intellectually, to know all those things related to his earthly duty as a servant to man. Therefore that knowledge was passed right into his son. That is why his son was a tiller of the ground. He was just walking in his daddy's footsteps. You have heard the expression, a chip off the old block. That is exactly what Cain was. He could do no more than what his father passed on to him the capability of doing. I used this as a comparison one time; and I know they will say it is an impossibility for a mule to reproduce himself. That is true; but do not forget, when the horse is bred to a donkey, she can conceive seed and bear a mule. Now I will ask you this, What kind of ears does a mule have? He has long ears like his daddy. You know that is the truth. A mule is not an original creature. His mother is a horse; and has small ears. His mother nickers; but his dad, a donkey or ass, whatever you want to call him, brays. A mule will try to nicker; but before he gets finished he goes into that bray, just like his daddy. He sees like his daddy, he brays like his daddy, and he walks like his daddy. You can watch a mule, and you will see his ears flop just like his daddy. When they really get to walking, those ears keep time with their steps. I'm not making fun of mules; they are work animals. They are good work animals. I just use this to illustrate the point we are dealing with. Cain, genetically, was the offspring of the serpent; and it is easy to see why the devil wanted that kind of creature among mankind. Even though he was a man, Satan knew he could count on him to be just like his daddy. He would be smart; but he would never receive a spiritual revelation of how to walk with God. Some people, not having it quite straight about all of this have said, Eve had sex with the Devil. **No**, she had sex with the SERPENT; and Cain being the son of the serpent, produced a line of sons and daughters that were just like him. They were void of understanding, when it came to the spiritual realm. Satan motivated the serpent to seduce Eve; knowing full well that he could use that line of mankind to try to thwart the plan of God. This was the route he used; to defile that beautiful daughter of God and produce a line of humanity in whom he could dwell. They could be religious; but never truly spiritual. That is why Jesus looked at that bunch of Jewish religious leaders and said, (John 8:44) "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." For what reason could He call them children of the devil, when we know the devil is a spirit, and did not genetically father any of them? For the same reason that we who believe the word of God and walk with Him in truth, can be called sons of God. The spirit in you, is what makes that difference. The devil goes to church regularly, in his children; but that does not make them sons of God, just because they go to a church house and run through a preplanned program of some kind. If that is all there is to worshipping God, then God was very unfair in His rejection of Cain's fruit basket; for I am sure it was the very best of everything, that he chose for that offering. He no doubt could grow watermelons, pumpkins and tomatoes like you have never seen the equal of. Brother, if he were in town today, and set up his vegetable stand, he would probably run the other fruit markets out of business. He knew all about growing vegetation. That was his makeup. He thought to himself, God has just got to accept mine. He did not realize God would not accept a sacrifice of plant life; simply because plant life had nothing at all to do with sin and alienation from the Creator. Abel, having a revelation of why man needed to offer an offering to God, also had a revelation of what to offer. Why would he know, and Cain not know, when they were both raised by Adam and Eve, a son and daughter of God that surely taught those boys concerning this very thing? The answer is very simply understood by asking this, Out of a large congregation of church going people, why do a few flee from that system of religion to follow God in truth, and others go right ahead offering fruit baskets year after year? It all hangs upon their capacity to receive a spiritual revelation. Cain did not have it; but Abel did. The fact that a person hears truth preached, does not mean that such a person will ever understand it. This side of the great flood, there are no pure seed of the serpent genetically speaking; but those serpent seed attributes were carried over the flood in the family that rode that old ark to safety; simply because of what we read in the 6th chapter of Genesis. (6:1-2) "And it came to pass, when men (children of Cain's line) began to multiply on the face of the earth, and daughters were born unto them, (Cain's line) That the sons of God (Adam's line) saw the daughters of men that they were fair; and they took them wives of all which they chose." We will get back to this later; but we need to get this in right here, to show how these attributes got all mixed up, so that out of one family of sons and daughters, some will become genuine Christian's, and others will be just like Cain, or maybe not even give God a thought at all. Saints: This is just my way of trying to tell you, why so many people fail to see what really happened in the garden of Eden. There are a lot of people trying to understand this from Hebrew and Greek language. You will never do it. You have got to see the language structure; and you have got to see what is concealed in that; in order to catch the revelation. When

we get into chapter six, I believe we can show you why it is scripturally foolish for anyone to deny the fact that the serpent could have genetically done what we are endeavoring to prove he did. The very fact that it says the sons of God took unto themselves the daughters of men, ought to prove something to anyone who has proper respect for the Bible. Surely you must ask yourself, Why are there two distinctions made, sons of God, daughters of men? The answer is very simple; there were two distinct lines of humanity from the genetic standpoint; in the days chapter 6, tells of.

## GENEALOGY OF CAIN

As we have already said, The fact that Cain did not know what to bring for an offering to God, lets us know he was void of something a son of Adam would have had. To you who say Cain had to be a son of Adam, I will just say this, You are getting yourself into a bad predicament. We are going to read some of the genealogy of this man Cain; and then I will ask you this, If he was a son of Adam, he was a son of God also; so where did the attribute to commit murder and all such like, come from? The record does not indicate in any way, that any of Cain's descendants ever served God. Nor does it indicate that any of them ever did anything good, that God was pleased to speak of. I will ask you to open your Bible's to Gen.4:16; and we will read those verses that give Cain's genealogy; before I make any other comments. (Gen.4: 16-22) "And Cain went out from the presence of the Lord, and dwelt in the land of Nod, on the east of Eden. (That terminology simply means that Cain wanted to get away from his past; and away from the people God would still be dealing with. Outside of the Garden, none of them were enjoying God's anointing presence, like Adam and Eve had in days past. I can almost hear him say, I'm going to get away from here right now. This is no place for me. That is like a lot of people, when something happens and you try to correct them; Well bless God, I am going to leave this church. It is an age old spirit. It has been that way ever since the day Cain made that decision.) And Cain knew his wife; (which had to be a daughter of Adam and Eve, and his half sister) and she conceived, and bare Enoch: and he builded a city, and called the name of the city, after the name of his son, Enoch. (Notice the names of some of these offspring, as Cain's line begins to multiply. They carried the same names as some of Adam's line; after Seth was born.) And unto Enoch was born Irad: and Irad begat Mehujael: and Mehujael begat Methusael: (Here is another name that is similar, Methusael, but not Methuselah. A similarity, but not exact.) and Methusael begat Lamech. (This is exactly the same name that was given in the line of Seth. Lamech was Noah's father.) And Lamech took unto him two wives: the name of the one was Adah, and the name of the other Zillah. (Notice what is going on in the Cainite line, polygamy. This is the first time polygamy appeared on the scene; but I want you to pay attention to what took place amidst that polygamy situation, as we get to the offspring by this polygamy union. Sometimes we read these verses of scripture but we never see what is contained in the verse. We read the words, but we do not see the picture.) And Adah bare Jabal: he was the father of such as dwell in tents, and of such as have cattle. And his brother's name was Jubal: he was the father of all such as handle the harp and organ. (Jabal and Jubal were brothers born of the same woman. Why do you assume that, Bro. Jackson? When we do come to Zillah, she bare Tubalcain and his sister's name was Naamah. Think of it. You cannot make Jabal by one and Jubal by the other; then turn right around and have Tubalcain by the one and his sister Naamah by the other.) And Zillah, she also bare Tubalcain, an instructor of every artificer in brass and iron: and the sister of Tubalcain was Naamah." It is very strange; of all the genealogy of the whole account of Cain's line, and of Seth's line, that is the only female offspring whose name is mentioned in the account. Is this coincidental? I have my doubts; because we have to realize, that at the same time Cain's line, over in the land of Nod, was multiplying, Seth's line was also multiplying? In other words, the writer could not bring in both genealogies at the same time; so they are separated to bring the genealogy from Cain down to one point in time; before going back to pick up the genealogy of Seth. You will notice also, that Lamech was the 6th in line from Cain. That is the number of man. He had brought polygamy into the Cainite structure. Later you read where Lamech came home one evening very disturbed. He was probably crying. He said to his wives which were named Adah and Zillah, "Hear my voice; ye wives of Lamech, hearken unto my speech: for I have slain a man to my wounding, and a young man to my hurt." That meant the man had injured him; and he had killed him in self defense. What was going on, over in the land of Nod? Were those attributes of Cain's line inherited from Adam? I would never believe that. We do not read of that kind of thing going on, in Seth's line; until we reach a certain point in time; and of course that time, is after chapter 6, where the two lines started to intermarry. Surely if Cain was an offspring of Adam, (This is just for the critics sake.) and he had just somehow failed to believe the

right way, surely that would not limit him from fathering children or grandchildren, or great grandchildren somewhere along the line, in which at least some of them would have been found some of the attributes of Adam the son of God. However the whole account is void of any such evidence. That tells us that the first chapters of the book of Genesis is so compiled, to contain a mystery; and only in the last days, would the mystery be revealed to those who would open their mind to receive it. We are now witnessing conditions in this modern society, that are the very fruit and extreme effect of what started way back there. These descendants of Cain were men. They were not sons of God. They had certain qualities, in the physical sense, because Eve had been the mother of Cain; but Adam was not even in it. Therefore the recorded genealogy ends there; but we have to realize, it did continue on. We are given just enough history of the genetic flow of the offspring of Cain that we can catch the trend of things in that line. They were men, yes; but they were inventors and all such like, very talented from the standpoint of the natural. You read further on down, what follows Lamech. Tubalcain was a professional tradesman in the making of brass and such things like that. What does that tell us? He had earthly knowledge. He had earthly capabilities. Somehow or other it had been bred into his makeup to know to take this ore, and extract from it, and make something from that. All of this tells us, whether our modern Christian philosophers want to agree or not, that after playing around with these scriptures for 6,000 years, it is time to come up with an answer to the question, Why did none of Cain's line ever produce anything that glorified God? There has to be an answer. Yet you can study Hebrew and Greek all you want to; and you will never find it. Once you ask yourself, What is the devil's aim in doing this? You are in a position for God to reveal it to you.

### **ADAM AND EVE OUTSIDE OF THE GARDEN OF PARADISE**

It was not enough, just to get Eve to do what she did, that caused the two of them to be driven from such a beautiful paradise; he had his mind set on destroying the whole plan of God. You might say, What was it like to be driven from that beautiful place of paradise? The best I can illustrate it is, it is like being in a beautiful dream, seeing heaven and all its bliss, and every soul without a care, and have something suddenly awoken you. I am not talking about fantasy. Heaven is a reality. I will never forget an experience my wife's aunt related to me shortly after we got married. She had a very serious illness; and was at the point of death, in the hospital. They called all the family in because they did not expect her to live. She was almost to the point where the doctors said she could pass at any moment. She was in a coma. I have forgotten how many hours she stayed like that. All of a sudden she rallied to consciousness; and in just a few days she had regained her strength; and her mental faculties were alert. She came out of the hospital with a testimony that still blesses me when I think about it. She said to me, Junior, I saw my mother. (Her mother died when she was a small girl; and since she was the oldest in the family, she had to help raise the other little children.) She said, I saw heaven; and oh how beautiful it was. I wouldn't want to miss it. Everyone is so happy; and everything is so beautiful. Her mother looked at her and said, Come on home; but she said she was able to look back and see her husband; so she answered, No, I must go back and be with him a little while longer. She said, When I told my mother that, this is when I came to consciousness. Yes saints: That spirit world is out there. It is not forty million light years away either. It is just beyond man's reach. It is just beyond the realm of our rain clouds. When she awakened, do you think she could have entered back into that realm at any time, by her own choice? No. That is what Adam and Eve experienced when they were driven from paradise that day. They would never be able to see it again, at their own will. Down through the centuries of time, those who have walked with God, ever now and then God would lift the spirit of such a person; and let him or her have a little preview of what it is like in that realm. Mortal man cannot live in it; but his eternal life comes from that realm; and one day we will live in it; but we will no longer be mortal. Well Cain's line was over there in the land of Nod; (The land of wandering) and all they had on their mind was doing something in their earthly role, and they were doing it. They were multiplying and filling the earth with their kind; just like Adam's line was; but everything they were doing was strictly earthly, without any God consciousness, or divine guidance. There was no purpose or motive on their part; to try to do anything to please God. They were multiplying; and they were men; but they were not sons of God. Did God have any sons other than Adam? Oh yes. Adam's line had been multiplying also; but it was all off of the tree of knowledge; (Sex for pleasure) so let us pick back up the genealogy of that line; and have a look at the other side. Verse 25, of chapter 4, is where we will pick up the record of Adam's descendants. This is not speaking of what Adam's line did after Cain's line reached a certain point; years and years after their separation; it is simply going back to fill in the details of Adam's

descendants; which were being born right on through the same time factor Cain's genealogy covered. Adam and Eve were out of the garden. Cain was gone, Abel was dead; but God's plan was not completely defeated. No, verse 25 says, "And Adam knew his wife again; (this time out of the garden) and she bare a son, and called his name Seth: For God, said she, (not Adam) hath appointed me another seed instead of Abel, whom Cain slew." Without meaning to be critical, I must say, That ought to tell anyone with common sense, that Cain was not recognized in Adam's genealogy. Why did she not recognize Cain as such? Simply because she knew the whole story. She knew where Cain came from; and who his father was; and she knew he was not to be recognized in the sons of God line of mankind. He was over there in Nod doing what the devil wanted him to do, breeding up a line of daughters to seduce the sons of God, at a later date. If he had really been her seed, why would she name this next one what she did? His very name means, one appointed to take someone else's place. "And to Seth, to him also there was born a son; and he called his name Enos: **then began men to call upon the name of the Lord.**" Not men from the land of Nod; but men who were the sons of God. While that bunch in Nod were doing what they were doing, and my opinion, (I am merely dramatizing it, because we are not given all the details of what took place) if Lamech had to kill a man in self defense, there was a lot of carnal activity taking place in that society. No doubt there were arguments, disagreements of every sort, displeasing pleasures and such like. They did not have time; nor the urge to call on the name of the Lord; because they did not know how. If Cain did not know how to bring the right sacrifice, do you think his children and grandchildren knew any more about it? I hardly think so. What was the devil's aim in bringing such a creature into the picture? We know he (the devil) was already a judged, fallen angel. Yet for some reason God was giving the devil an opportunity to strike back at **HIS** own plan again. He had already done it once in the prehistoric world; and here he is again, with God allowing him to be used to test His creatures created in HIS own image and likeness. Since he has been permitted to do what he did, by bringing into the picture a creature like Cain, then we surely ought to realize, that over there in the land of Nod, Satan was paying much attention to bringing about the manifestation of characteristics and attributes that were strictly of a fleshly, carnal, earthly nature; which in no way could please God. Not that certain things were not to be done; but when preeminence is given to earthly activity, without a purpose for God, the ultimate end is destruction. That is why there will be millions in this day, perish in the wrath of God. Not because they were plowing too much ground; but simply because they are of the nature that they live for nothing else other than something to pacify their flesh. As the Seth line began to call upon the name of the Lord, that brings us to the genealogy of that line. "This is the book of the generations of Adam. In the day that God created man, in the likeness of God made He him; Male and female created He them; and blessed them, and called their name Adam, in the day when they were created. **And Adam lived an hundred and thirty years, and begat a son in his own likeness, after his image; and called his name Seth:** And the days of Adam after he had begotten Seth were eight hundred years: **and he begat sons and daughters:** And all the days that Adam lived were nine hundred and thirty years: and he died." From this point on, watch the genealogical flow of the reproductive line of Seth; which is the direct offspring of Adam. After Seth, it says Adam still begat sons and daughters. Then the next son, which is the first born of that line, after his first born, he begat sons and daughters. Right on down the line it goes. When you study from the point of these firstborn's, keep in mind, all the first born before the flood. The genealogy of Christ comes right back from the New Testament; and as it comes through the Old Testament, it is true, as you are working backwards, many times the first born loses his position, just as Esau lost it; and it went to Jacob. It was the same way in other families. It would go to the second or so forth. Once we bridge the gap going beyond the flood, it is not the second nor the third. The genealogy goes right back to the first born; but when we get to Seth, we know he was Adam's second born. His first born, Abel, was dead; and was never allowed to pregenerate himself. All of these first born, as they come forth, it tells their life span. From Seth on down the line, it gives the genealogy in that way. Seth begat Enos and so forth. It tells how old each one of the first born was when he chose to take a wife. Where did Seth get his wife? He had to take a sister to wife; there were no other women he could have taken. That is certainly not hard for us to realize. When Noah was in the ark, he had three sons and their wives. There were no babies born in the flood or in the ark. However, after the flood, those three sons and their wives began to bring forth offspring; and today the whole earth is populated from those three couples. That is why you pick up their genealogies in the later chapters after the flood. Where do you think those sons got their wives? They took a sister to wife. I have also been asked, What happened to the serpent's wife? Was there not a female counterpart? Absolutely. When God cursed the serpent, where would you think she went? She went with him. Why do you say that, Bro. Jackson? Look at the children of Israel. When they were coming out of the wilderness and took Jericho, what happened when the man took the golden wedge? His wife did not steal it;

but what did God do? He destroyed that man and his whole family. What about the men that contested Moses while in the wilderness? The earth opened up and swallowed the whole families. Some will say, What is God after? He must be mean! That is the way carnal minded people look at it. God did not want the spirit of that creature to be multiplied by his offspring, in their original state; therefore He had a remedy to eliminate the possibility of such a thing. Even though He let those things happen once, there was no reason to let the same things happen again. One such event is all we need, to get the mind of God on these things.

### MAN'S NUMBER AND GOD'S NUMBER

We will now come back to the Sethite line for a look at something. We notice the first ones, up to the time of Enoch, which is the seventh from Adam; while on the other side, Lamech was sixth from Cain. Six is the number of man, over in the land of Nod; while Enoch from the sons of God line was the seventh from Adam; and that is the number of God in completion. But Bro. Jackson: I thought God's number was three. They both represent something of God. One is perfection; and the other speaks of completion. What we need to see here, is that this sets a perfect type. When that same moral condition is prevailing here in the end time, at the end of seven Church Ages, like it was in Enoch's day, there will be a translation of saints. We speak of it as "The rapture." Just as Enoch was translated, in that seventh generation from Adam, there will be a translation of the Church when that same spirit is going on in the seventh Church Age; calculated from the beginning of the advent of Jesus Christ. God sets types by these things. The religious world is completely ignorant of these things; but every event set a type of something; that the people of God will understand here at the end of the age. Over in the Epistle of Jude in the New Testament, Jude spoke of Enoch the seventh from Adam; how that he prophesied in his day concerning ungodly sinners. (Jude 14) "And Enoch also, the seventh from Adam, prophesied of these, saying, Behold, the Lord cometh with ten thousands of his saints, (To do what? To execute judgment. Judgment upon what? The same social moral picture that was going on, because that is what caused Enoch to look up and realize, There is something going on, and there has got to be an answer to it. Well that prophecy that Enoch spoke then is hanging right over your and my head. We are not a hundred years away from it. We have but just a few short years, and it is all going to be over. That is the way we must look at this thing.) To execute judgment upon all, and to convince all that are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have ungodly committed, and of all their hard speeches which ungodly sinners have spoken against Him." Enoch was only 65 years old; when he fathered his first born, Methuselah. Not Methusael, (he was of the Cain line) but Methuselah. Enoch even gave his first born son a name that spoke a prophecy; for the name Methuselah, meant, **When he is gone, then it will come.** What? The judgment of God upon all of that ungodliness. The scripture says Enoch walked with God. How in the world did he walk with God. When you walk with God, you put aside all traditional ideas of religion. You stop surmising what you think you should do; like, Well I think God will honor this, if I am sincere about it. Walking with God is not picking up a bunch of manmade ideas and being faithful to them. Walking with God is waiting on God. It is being able to be still, and first know that He is God; and then do and live according to what **HIS WILL** for your life is; which is to walk with Him in the light of the truth that is available to you in your hour of time. Enoch walked with God; therefore as he saw the general society about him getting worse every day, he knew it was caving in. Therefore at the birth of his first child he was made to realize, When he is gone, it will come. God never told Enoch he would be around to see Methuselah die; but that his name meant, When he is gone, then it will come. That caused Enoch to really walk close to God; because he no doubt believed in his heart, that one day he would see his son go by some means or other; and that would mean the end of it all had arrived. We do not have all of that written in the Bible; but we do know this, Enoch walked with God; and fellowshiping with God like he no doubt did, one day God just simply said to him, Enoch, it is time for you to come on home. The Bible says, that Enoch had a testimony that he pleased God. How would he know that, unless God himself had told him? One day Enoch was there; and a little later he was gone. They looked high and low for him; but they could not find him. Why? Because he walked with God; and God was so pleased about it, He just took him on out of all that mess. Yes, God took Enoch on to be with Him; but Methuselah, his son with that special name lived on; and moral conditions got worse and worse. Methuselah lived 969 years; so we know things got much, much worse. A lot can happen in 969 years; and his father was already grieved about moral conditions in the world, before he was born. That is why he was given that name. Therefore as we read of these first born's, coming right on down to Lamech who was the father of Noah, we can get on to something; if we will pay attention, and think. Lamech, like those before him, begat sons and daughters.

Just hold that in your mind for a minute; while we go back to Enoch. Let us notice, Something happened after Enoch took a wife at age 65. That was very young in comparison to Seth, Enos, and some of those before him. At 65 years of age, Enoch took his wife; or really begat Methuselah. From there on, it is obvious that something was going on in the social structure; for even Enoch fathered other sons and daughters before he was finally translated. Yet as we study this thing out, his first born did not father any children until age 187. What does this tell us? To me, it says he looked for a pure seed wife all those years; and never did find one. Then when his son Lamech was finally born, look at the age of Lamech, when he fathered his first born son Noah. He too was an old man of 182 years of age before he finally fathered his first born. Then, when Lamech fathered Noah, (I want the critics, and everyone to take note of this.) Noah was the first of all the first born's, that did not have any daughters. He fathered three sons; but no daughters. Would someone please tell me why? What had happened? You have to read between the lines. Something in the genetic structure of the propagation of the races of mankind had taken place back up the line somewhere; and that is why we have to read Genesis 6; because it tells us what happened. Satan took another stab at the plan of God. That is why he waited until he got a certain type of characters over in the land of Nod; before making his move. Satan used the serpent in the garden of paradise; but in Genesis 6, we see that he had some creatures over in the land of Nod, prepared and just waiting to make a mess of the genetic structure of the Sethites. This picture recorded in Genesis 6, did not take place after Noah was already born. No. Genesis 6, is giving you the history of what began to develop after mankind began to produce himself upon the face of the earth. Also, just as the name Methuselah had a meaning, the name Noah, had a meaning also. You find it in verse 29, of chapter 5. "And he (Lamech) called his name Noah, saying, This same shall comfort us concerning our work and toil of our hands, because of the ground which the Lord hath cursed." After the sons of God (Gen.6:2) began to take wives from that serpent seed line over there in Nod, there were no more pure sons of God seed born into the world. Not from those marriages. Remember what I said earlier, What is recorded in chapter 6, is something that took place way back up in the genealogy record we have just read. It just simply could not all be written into the record in chronological order of happenings; so the writer had to go back to what had happened to get the moral picture like it was; the something that caused Enoch to give his son that prophetic name. Those mixed marriages began to fill the earth with children that had attributes from both seed lines; and which way they went, as far as serving God, depended upon which attributes stood out, in each individual person. Lamech had other children born after Noah; but you read nothing about any of them serving God. Since the events of Genesis 6 led to a mixing of the two lines, serpent seed are now determined by the dominant attributes in the genes; because there are no longer any pure seed in the blood line of either line of humanity. That is why you have to realize that the flood could not do away with the serpent seed completely; because right there in that old ark, in the genes of the three couples that repopulated the earth, lay the possibility of every rotten, filthy practice that had put the stench in the nostrils of God (so to speak) and caused Him to destroy everyone except Noah's family. When you know what had been going on between those two lines of mankind for centuries, you can understand why God just wiped out the whole population, except for the family of Noah; and started the whole process of repopulating the earth all over again.

## **CHAPTER SIX** **EXPLAINED**

We will leave the genealogy now; as we read in chapter 6, what led up to Noah and the flood; because God had looked upon the wickedness throughout the whole population of the earth, and it repented Him that He had even made man; and Genesis 6, is what gives us a background history of what had been going on; that caused God to become so displeased with the whole picture. Therefore chapter 6, is not a continuation of the genealogy; it is going back within the flow of the genealogy descent and picking up conditions that began to mingle in; and ultimately led to the end. (6:1) "And it came to pass, when men (Notice it says men. It does not matter how the critics want to read that word men, we have got to realize, God caused Moses to make a difference in how the descriptions of the two lines were addressed, in this chapter.) began to multiply on the face of the earth, (That would be Cain's line.) and daughters were born unto them, (Unto who? Those men. Where? Over in the land of Nod.) That the sons of God saw the daughters of men that they were fair; and they took them wives of all which they chose." One brother mentioned something to me that I do not want to miss bringing into the message. That is, Did not God have daughters also, through the Seth line? Would you call them daughters of men? No. You would have to say they are daughters of God.

You do not just call the male child a son of God, without calling the female child a daughter of God. I hope you can see that. It was not a case where Cain's line was having a bunch of females; and Seth's line was all a bunch of males; because the record plainly tells us that the Seth line, (after the first born) all begat sons and daughters; except Noah. However the question is, How long was the balance ratio maintained, after they reached a certain point? That is why I said years ago, By the time you come to Noah's hour and look at Noah and his wife, and the three sons and their wives, there was not a one of them that was a pure Sethite, genetic seed. The critics can climb a wall if they want to; but my understanding of this, is as clear as a bell. I am looking at it from the genetic standpoint. The fact that Noah did not have a daughter, lets me know something that makes an important difference in this thing. God had already touched the genetic stream in the son of God line; back up there somewhere when someone took something; and this caused God to begin to slow up on how many females He would allow to be born in the sons of God line. Even though they bore sons and daughters, the question would be, How many daughters? Was there an equal balance? I hardly think so. Over in the land of Nod, they were having girl babies by the plurals. That is why it says, "And daughters were born unto them." They were having more baby girls there, than you could hardly keep track of. That is the picture I see; and I do not mean to belittle women. You just have to realize, This was Satan's ace up his sleeve; for he was not about to give up his plan to get back at the Creator. Therefore when verse 1, of chapter 6, tells us that daughters were born unto them, yes they were; and that takes us beyond the hour of Lamech; on Cain's side. He was the one that had married two women. That also brings you on down somewhere within the sixth generation of the flow of the sons of God line; when the sons of God (plural) saw the daughters of men. (Not the sons of God looking on their own sisters. I refuse to believe that was the picture being described here.) that they were fair; (beautiful, by worldly standards) and they took them wives of all which they chose. Common sense will tell you, if God let this be written as a biography, a history of our genetic origin, then right here in the flow of these scriptures, is a picture we would have to be completely ignorant not to see. However, I realize that a hundred years ago, it would have been hard to see that picture; because the overall society then, was not as it is now. Now, we have a multiple society that has chosen the debased way of life. All the homosexuality, all the perversion we read about, is like it is, because there is a spirit that makes them think like that. Look what the educators of our liberal, modern society are advocating. They are doing their best to rid our present twentieth century society of humanity, of even the thought that there is a God that created all things. The fact that such a belief cannot be scientifically proven, causes modern day, liberal educators, scientists, archaeologists, psychologists, and all such like, to try to strip the very thought from the mind's of our youth. They say God is just a myth. That kind of thought did not come from Adam. It had to come from an earthly minded creature, that could never know anything about God. Oh they can invent computers: and I want you to understand that I am not making fun of computers; but I also want you to know that they can never help you get in the rapture. Play with them all you want to; but they will never get you six inches off the ground, when the rapture comes. If you do not know God, what you have in this life, is all you will ever have. My point is, I have my doubts, when you find out who invented computers, that he had anything in mind about whether God would approve of them or not. An earthly minded creature, loves to play with these inventions that operate almost like a human mind. We are living in a day when men are earthly minded, earthly oriented, just outright scientifically minded. They have got to prove everything; or they will have nothing at all to do with it. In a letter this week, I received some Newspaper clippings from a man who had already sent me something the other day. A clipping from a California paper, told of a "religious professor" of an institution out there, who had made a speech comparing the four gospels with some other type of manuscripts. He said it is not even authentic, that in the early periods of the writers, Jesus was ever referred to as being the Christ; which means of course, that His deity is in question. When I see where leaders of our modern, 20th century world of religion are talking like that, I just have to say, That kind of mind did not come from Adam. It came from Cain, just as sure as the world. They are religious, but to what purpose? They are religious, but in what way are they religious? When you bring everything down to your human level; your religion is vain, as far as any spiritual benefit. We are living in the day of the humanistic theory. That is exactly where the devil wanted to bring man to. From being a creature that could live and walk on this earth in fellowship with God, he has brought man down to such a level that he is completely an earthly oriented creature. He is going to make this planet earth a better place for 20th century people to live in; but God is getting ready to blow the whistle; to bring the whole process to an end. It cannot be allowed to go on much longer. In this 6th chapter, we can say this, There had to be a separating distinction of the two lines of species of mankind that were being propagated upon the earth; so what better terminology could anyone expect? Being daughters of that other line, made those female creatures that much more energetic, to look for something

that could satisfy; and give them the love, security, and the gentleness they were looking for. If they had been getting everything they desired, from those male creatures over there, they never would have come on the scene acting like they did. There would have been no reason or need for them to be looking somewhere else for companionship. When Satan created an unstable environment, that caused them to be restless; and they had to come looking, investigating. At the same time, the sons of God were confronted with how they portrayed themselves; in all their sexual display. To you who would say, Why do you read it like that? I say this, Is it not like that today, in our modern world? Just step into a grocery store; and look at all of that display of all kinds of magazines, telling of all kinds of ordeals, and showing all kinds of pictures of what modern, twentieth century women are willing to do to get their name's in the paper and collect a few thousand dollars. Is that something they learned from the Bible? You know where it comes from; it is a spirit motivating them. It is that same spirit that motivated the old serpent to seduce Eve. The entertainment world is literally alive, just like a bee hive; with female creatures jostling in the competitive role for some image of popularity. The modern 20th century male sees all of this; and that is why he looks upon all women in an immoral way. Actually you are witnessing again today, what happened way back there many, many centuries ago. As Satan brought those female creatures over, and put them on display, that presented a temptation and a test to the sons of God, which had been multiplying at the same time; over on the other side. They had been walking fairly straight until then. They did not have eternal life in them; but neither were they killing one another; nor were they always in fist fights with each other. Nowhere does it say the sons of Seth were the inventors of beautiful brass ornaments, and all that kind of things. I believe the sons of God (sons of Seth) had a certain knowledge of how certain things should progress on the planet. They had not lost all of that knowledge God had instilled in Adam, just because they were not in the garden of paradise environment. Up until that hour, you cannot say they were suffering from any kind of disease, or that there was any kind of split personality and bad behavior problems; nor any other of those attributes that are mean. They were just not there. All of that was going on, over on the other side of the mountains; but until these two lines were brought together, it was not that way among those sons of God. Satan's hour to again get at God's direct line of the descent, was set in motion when those sons of God began to admire the beauty of those women from the other side of the mountain. It tells us right here, "That the sons of God saw the daughters of men that they were fair; (beautiful) and they took them wives (plural) of all which they chose." What an hour. They had forgotten all about one man and one woman. Pretty soon, it was everyone for himself; first come, first served. I just imagine it became a rat race. As the sons of God began to take these creatures unto themselves, what had happened to their conscience? We can say this, Somehow or other their convictions were put aside. Their feelings of wrong had been disregarded. Satan had really hit them with a blow; something the human race can never recover from. When this began to happen, it says this, "And the Lord said, My spirit shall not always strive with man, for that he also is flesh: (God saw the decay. He saw the moral and spiritual decay in the one line; as those fleshly traits began being built up. Therefore He set a law in motion.) yet his days shall be an hundred and twenty years." That law did not immediately go into effect; but once it was spoken it would not be rescinded.

### HOW GIANTS GOT IN THE PICTURE

Verse 4, in Genesis 6, brings out what came to be the effect of that mixture of the genes of the two lines of mankind. "There were giants in the earth in those days; and also after that, when the sons of God came in unto the daughters of men, (This is not their own sisters.) and they bare children to them, the same became mighty men which were of old, (before the flood) men of renown." Scientists, Einstein's, inventors of all sorts of things. Any kind of name that made their identity stand out as important, was coveted. Worldly people like that type of image. Even the church world has grabbed hold of it. There is just no limit to what Satan will do; to place temptation before the people of God. Before the two lines began to mix, there was no need of any kind of weapons, over in Seth's line of offspring. It was sure a different story over in the other line though; for their father **was** a murderer; and those attributes passed right on down. As for the giants, if you know nothing of the genetic qualities God has established in the law of genetics, you might wonder how that mixture produced giants. It would be impossible, for a preacher who knows nothing outside of what he can prove with his Hebrew and Greek, to understand how those giants got there. Therefore I will ask you, Go back (in your mind) to the middle ages, when knighthood was in full swing. We are talking about a period of time like, from around 1000 A.D. on up until gun powder was invented. Europe, in the Middle Ages, man knew the genetic laws of how to breed up a certain type of species. With



male and female from two opposite extremes, they began to produce a large animal. The Clydesdale was never an original breed. The Persian was never an original breed. The Belgian was never an original breed. They were large horses bred strictly for the purpose of carrying the knights. Just as we in America have made the M1 and M2, and all sizes of tanks, so did the old time European livestock breeders do with their horses, for their knights. They spent years, breeding up that type of horses. They had to carry almost 300 pounds of armor; plus a man; so just any little old horse was out of the question. No, those horses were not meant to be used for plowing their fields; but when they no longer needed them to fight with, what were they going to do with them? That is when they drove the ox into the pasture; and taught those horses to pull a plow. What does that tell you? Genetics is the secret to growing giants. The devil knows genetics. Do not ever think he does not. He knew it in the garden of Eden; so when you get to Chapter 6, remember, he was still the same devil. He wanted to produce a bunch of giant bullies; and he knew exactly how to do it. Not a one of them ever served God. Not a one of them knew God. What about those men of renown, who were they? I would have to say, They are your scientists, philosophers, professors, all very shrewd. They know so much. They have their hour of recognition among natural mankind; but when they are gone, they are gone. God will not take them to glory, just because they were looked upon as being so great in this life. He will not give them special honor by putting their names in His book. As for those daughters of men, Satan had bred up that genetic line, bred up characteristics that he could use in his diabolical plot against the Creator. They were earthly, sensual, carnal attributes; designed to be just the opposite of the attributes in the sons of God. When he got enough of them, God permitted him to use those creatures to put His sons to the test; and we are all familiar with the outcome. When that genetic line began to mingle with this genetic line, down went the one; and up came the other. That is why all these critics try to condemn this serpent seed teaching, yet they are looking at it in its consummation; just before God judges the whole thing. Tell me why we have so many thousands of professors and educated wizards on earth today, that deny the existence of God. That idea did **not** come from Adam. It could not have come from Adam; he knew the truth. It has to come from an animal like instinct; that depends upon earthly wisdom. When you see some of these men, and women of today, doing such atrocious deeds, in such brutal, barbaric, ways, you know for sure, those attributes did not come from Adam; that son made in the very image of God. They came from the devil; through his line. This began to be the picture, starting somewhere around Enoch's hour; and by the time it goes through his son, to Lamech, then to Noah, Yes, you are dealing with almost a 1000 years of time; by the time you get to Noah's hour. That is why the whole human, genetic capability was so perverted God just called a halt to the whole thing. By the time of Noah's hour, there was no longer the pure genetic gene left. Therefore incorporated within the genes of the sons of Noah, (keep in mind, the fact that Noah had no daughters) was the attributal capabilities of every evil thing imaginable to mortal mankind. When all other male children from the Sethite line had begotten daughters, along comes Noah, a man who walked with God in the midst of all that ungodliness; that had no daughters born unto him. If he had, would they have been pure seed Sethites? No. Because it is obvious that Noah himself was not a pure seed Sethite, from the genetic standpoint. Therefore after the flood, when God gave the commission to the survivors, "**Be fruitful, and multiply,**" the earth was again to be filled with humanity possessing the attributes of a fallen nature; and every male and female child that would be born unto them, would stand in need of redemption; and the necessary sacrifice for that redemption, God Himself would have to supply. It is a beautiful story we indulge ourselves in; when we study the history of mankind from beginning to end; because, if we have eyes to see, we see the great Creator working with, and for mankind every mile of the journey from his beginning to the end. Why did God allow the devil to interfere in His plan for man? It is a plan thought out from beginning to end, and set in motion in such a way, that the devil could be allowed to do what he did; and what he is still doing, and in the end, the Creator will have a family of sons and daughter that have been tested in every possible way; and have overcome those temptations by their own will to do so; and without any supernatural power except that which is available to every believer.

### **SEEING, THROUGH THE EYES OF GOD**

After the flood waters had subsided, Noah and all that were in the ark with him, went out of the ark; and immediately Noah built an altar and offered sacrifice to God. Here is what the Bible says. (Genesis 8:20) "And Noah builded an altar unto the Lord; and took of every clean beast, and of every clean fowl, and offered burnt offerings on the altar. And the Lord smelled a sweet savour; and the Lord said in his heart, I will not again curse the ground any more for man's sake; for the imagination of man's heart is evil from his

youth; neither will I again smite any more every thing living, as I have done. While the earth remaineth, seed time and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease. And God blessed Noah and his sons, and said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth." What brought the flood then, if God was going to allow the earth to again be populated with mankind that would do exactly what those others did? Was it because there were too many houses being built? Was it because there were too many others getting married? No. **Man had perverted his way of reproducing himself.** Why do you say that, Bro. Jackson? Jesus said it in His own words; in Matthew 24, and in Luke 17. In Matthew 24 Jesus said this, "As it was in the days of Noah, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noe entered into the ark, and knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be." That of course, was the social side of it; but the immoral side is what we read between the lines, when we read Genesis 6, coming down to the flood. God said, It repents me that I have made man, seeing that he has corrupted the earth with himself. In Luke 17, it tells us that it was the perversion of man, that brought the judgment of God; but you really have to go back to Genesis 19:4-25, to catch the true picture of what Jesus was referring to. Why did He destroy all of those others? Did that mean everyone was living in perversion? No, but everyone else was so involved in the material side of things, they had lost all concept of how to serve God in the midst of all of that. Therefore they all had to go together. (Luke 17:28) "Likewise also as it was in the days of Lot; they did eat, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they builded; But the same day that Lot went out of Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from heaven, and destroyed them all. Even thus shall it be in the day when the Son of man is revealed." They were eating, they were drinking, they were marrying, giving in marriage, building houses, and doing the same social and material things they were doing in the days of Noah; but what brought the judgment, was the kind of thing described in Genesis 19; where the whole city was given over to perversion. It was not a new house being built in Sodom; that God destroyed them all for. Neither was it because of the other social things mentioned. That just shows that their mind was continually on material things; with no thought at all about their Creator, and whether their ways were pleasing Him or not. When you read how the sins of Sodom had reached to heaven and God sent His angels down there to destroy those cities, two angels appeared as young men in the gates of Sodom; and they appeared in broad daylight, early in the day. When Lot saw them coming in, he went to meet them. He invited them to his house to stay over night; but that bunch of homosexual perverts were right there; and their unnatural cravings would have led them to violence; if the angels had not intervened; and smote them all blind. They were exactly like these debased creatures we have walking our streets here in America; and in every other part of the world in 1990. In Los Angeles, California, Chicago, Illinois, and in Louisville, Kentucky tonight; you would not be able to think of anything so filthy and ungodly, that somewhere in those cities it would not be going on. There is dope addiction, sex perversion, and all such ungodliness as the Bible speaks of in these two accounts; but if you say anything about it, they scream discrimination. Everyone has the right to choose his or her own lifestyle, they proclaim. That is America; after she ceased to be a democracy that is fit for animals to live in. That is a perverted bureaucracy of corruption. When the devil can sit in Washington, D.C., calling the shots, God is not going to be there. When the devil can walk the streets of Louisville, Kentucky, seducing young and old alike, you can rest assured; God's presence will not be there to keep the lawless in line. When God is not allowed to be respected in our schools and colleges, why should He protect the innocent that are born into such families? It is pitiful, the way little children are born into these homes, and grow up being beaten, stabbed, molested, and then thrown out, rejected and unwanted. Where is that parental love? It is not there. Why should God spare America? They used to sing, God bless America; and He did, at one time. He will still bless a few individuals; but the American society as a whole will never be blessed again, as they have in the past; when people had respect for God and for His people, whether they themselves professed to be Christians or not. You cannot serve the devil and God both. The two will not coexist. When perversion is a modern, 20th century life style, and America has embraced it, bred it, and publicized it to the world faster than any other nation on the face of the earth, you have to know, that judgment is knocking at the door. We have produced scientists and God denouncing atheists, that have spread their effect to the ends of the earth. We have produced more perverts in our colleges in the last few years, than any other nation I know of; and they have traveled around the world on airplanes, boats, and so forth, displaying their diabolical way of life to youth in foreign lands. Just go to India, Africa, and places like that, and you can spot them like a skunk. The way they walk, just about tells you how they live. The way they dress, tells you what they have in their mind's. The way they act, tells you what they are. They will have a short history, and no one to write it; because as it was, so shall it be. It is

not the beautiful homes being built, that is bringing God's judgment upon the world. It is what people look upon as being a normal way of life in this hour; that is so abominable to God. What started in the garden, is what you are looking at today. God set two laws before Adam and Eve, one right and one wrong, and they chose to partake of the one that would lead to sure death; so how can anyone say, God is not fair? If He wiped out the whole rotten mess tonight, it would be deserved; but He will not do it like that again; because He gave His word that He would not. He will deal with the whole picture exactly like His written word declares that He will. That is why there has got to be a few people even today, that has a taste, and a yearning for the righteous ways of God. Simply because His word declares that there will be. He will take them to glory one day soon; and then He will deal with all the rest. I take no pleasure in knowing the fate of all who reject God. What I take delight in, is that He extended to me His hand of grace and mercy; when I deserved nothing. If it was not for His grace, I do not know where I would be today; for every last one of us have within our makeup, the nature to rebel against God. I am not condemning anyone myself; I am saying only what the word of God says; He will judge and destroy all ungodliness from the face of the earth; even though He has waited for centuries of time, giving every individual the same invitation, (Genesis 4:7) "If thou doest well, shalt thou not be accepted?" (Rev.22:17) "And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely." The only thing is, because of His foreknowledge He knows who will and who will not; but the invitation is still valid even today. Enoch prophesied about the way God would deal with the wickedness of mortal mankind; and Jesus prophesied likewise; as well as others; so we are living just a little short time before it comes; and anyone that cannot look at this modern, perverted world of humanity, and realize that this book is right, there is something wrong with such a person. Amen.