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ID ADAM AND EVE EAT THE WRONG APPLE, and cause death and suffering to be entered into the world for every subsequent soul on this earth, from that time in the Garden of Eden forward until the end of times?

Absurd as this may sound, it is what most Christians are taught from their respective Church systems (*Denominations and Faiths*). Let's first look at it from their skewed perspective, then we will learn the truth from our Father's Word; The Bible.

They (*our religious leaders in the Churches, Temples, and Synagogues of today*) would have us to believe that Almighty God would be so petty as to punish some twelve billion souls, because two of them were insubordinate in their selection of produce. Yet they don't teach us why this would so infuriate such a kind, loving, and forgiving God; and kindle His wrath to such a magnitude that He would allow death to enter in for all of mankind.

They can't answer why God would do that, because there is no answer for what did not happen, their facts are wrong from page one. And if you start out on any quest of any knowledge, whether the knowledge be of everyday issues or the knowledge be of the Divine and perfect plan of Almighty God; you must start out at a sound genesis *(beginning)* or you can never hope to end at a sound terminus *(conclusion)*.

Let's not waste valuable study time debunking the half-truths and out and out lies of the deceived. Our time is better spent realizing the truth as it was laid down to us by the inspired Word of Almighty God, through His Spirit; The Holy Spirit, through the pen of the Prophets and Apostles, the scribes, and the Translators, finally into the book that all true Christians count on for the Way and the Truth. God did not and will not let us down when it comes to His instructions. The answers are there in our Bible, but man likes to create his own answers, his own rules, his own plan toward salvation. God however, will not honour the promises that false teachers may have given you if they go against what God gave you an able mind to read in the Bible.

We will learn in this In-depth bible Study what the real sin was in the Garden of Eden. We will learn the cause and effect of the actions of Adam and Eve that day some six-thousand years ago. Most importantly, when we are done here today you will understand what happened, why it happened, and the result of it; as it's repercussions rock to the very foundation of the plan of God, till that final day of judgment and the passing of some into eternal life with God (*Heaven*) and the sentencing of others into the abyss, the lake of fire (*Hell*) with Satan and his lot.

If we have been lied to since Sunday School about the original sin, and if those that we respect the most in our religious institutions for the truth have mislead us; then surely God would have foreseen it and warned us in His Holy Word. I mean, did not Jesus say to us in [Mk 13:23]: "But take ye heed: behold, I have foretold you all things." In the scripture below, it is speaking of our generation and the onslaught of false teachers and false doctrines, it also illustrates that we ourselves are guilty of bringing these lies upon ourselves by looking for easy way outs and short-cuts to the perfect plan of God:

2 Tim 4:3-4: For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears;

And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables. (KJV)

Mankind brings deception upon himself through ignorance of God's written Word, The Bible. It seems that we are all too content to spend an hour once a week at the local Church *(if that)*, go through the same rituals, sing a song, sit, stand-up, kneel down, maybe even dance and shout, drop a few dollars of conscience money into the basket and leave; never learning anything about God's Word or His Will for us. We instead rely upon the man standing at the pulpit to tell us what God says to us and what He expects from us. And if that man is wrong, through his own ignorance or through malice, we are willing to be "victims" of false teaching and the lies of Satan that can bring us to no good end. There will be no "victims" in "Hell." God is much to fair for that! In other words, those who do not overcome deserve what they receive.

All our answers are in the Bible, God saw to that, and while it is necessary at times to turn to a teacher to help us begin to learn and understand our Father's Word, you had better be sure that you check him out yourself in your Bible, or you may be misled. God's written Word is Divinely inspired, it was given as perfect in every way, but some is lost by the agency of man as he hands down and translates the Holy Scriptures. That is not to say that the truth is lost, God forbid, but it does mean that you are going to have to do you own deeper studies to arrive at the pure truth. But that takes effort, time, it takes action on your part. I know you have the time for God because your studying now, and that probably pleases God more than anything else when one of His beloved children whom He created, care enough about Him to read and study from the letter that He wrote to them, that He wrote to you, The Bible!

Let's begin this study with a prayer for wisdom from our Heavenly Father, in the name of His only begotten Son and our Saviour; Jesus Christ.

It would be beneficial to the reader of this present In-depth Bible Study to be cognizant of the fact that Adam and Eve were not the first two people on the earth. This topic is covered in-depth in the <u>Mankind</u>; <u>Two Separate Creation Events</u> in-depth Bible Study. But anyway, we will take the scriptures that cover the sin in the garden of Eden, as well as those that show us why it happened and the outcome of it; and do an expository study of each verse in the original Hebrew language, as well as draw from the rest of the Bible for documentary witness.

Genesis 3:1-13 (1) Now the <u>serpent</u>**I* was more subtle 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 <u>tree</u>**2 of* the garden?

Explanations from above verse: *1 <u>serpent</u> = Hebrew word # 5175: nachash (naw-khawsh'); a snake (from its hiss). From # 5172: nachash (naw-khash'); a primitive root; properly, to hiss, ie: whisper a (magic) spell; generally, to prognosticate: to practice divination, to divine, to observe signs, to learn by experience, to diligently observe, to practice fortune telling, to take as an omen.

This serpent is no ordinary snake! It is Satan himself. The serpent is just one of Satan's many names. Below, in the book of Revelation we see four of Satan's names identified, but it is all the same one entity. And just like it say's in the definition above, Satan (the serpent) is magical in his ability to enchant.

Rev 12:9 And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him. (KJV)

Explanations from above verse (Cont.): *2 <u>tree</u> = *Hebrew word* # 6086: `ets (ates); a tree (from its firmness) from # 6095: `atsah (aw-tsaw'); a primitive root; properly, to fasten (or make firm), ie: to close the eyes. figuratively: The spine giving firmness to the body (The body is the trunk, and the arms and legs are the limbs).

And God uses the word "trees" symbolically in the scriptures to mean People both good and bad. And below is just one example of 'trees' being used symbolically for people:

Isa 61:1-3 1 The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me; because the LORD hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek; he hath sent me to bind up the broken-hearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound;

2 To proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all that mourn;

3 To appoint unto them that mourn in Zion, to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; **that they might be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the LORD**, that he might be glorified. (KJV)

(For more instances of trees being used symbolically for men in the Bible, See also: [Isa 65:16-25], [Jere 17: 7-10], [Eze 31:1-14], [Dan 4:18-28], and on it goes....)

The 'serpent' *and* 'the tree of the knowledge of good and evil in the midst of the garden,' *are both one in the same entity; it is Satan himself.*

2 And the woman said unto the serpent, We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden:

3 But of the <u>fruit of the tree</u>*1 which is in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not <u>eat of it</u>*2, neither shall ye <u>touch</u>*3 *it*, lest ye die.

Explanations from above verse: *1 <u>fruit of the tree</u> = Hebrew word # 6529 periy- fruit, in a wide sense: a) fruit, produce (of the ground), or b) fruit, offspring, children, progeny (used of the womb), or figuratively c) fruit (of actions). *2 <u>eat of it</u> = Hebrew word # 398; 'akal (aw-kal'); This word has many uses, among which, one use means to lay with a woman (which is a sexual act). *3 <u>touch</u> = Hebrew word # 5060; naga` (naw-gah'); Properly, to touch, ie: to lay the hand upon (for any purpose); euphemism for: to lie with a woman.

4 And the serpent*1 said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die*2:

Explanations from above verse: *1 <u>serpent</u> = Satan. *2 <u>Ye shall not surely die</u> = *This is the first lie in the Bible, and it was Satan as the serpent that uttered it! Satan is called "The father of lies":*

John 8:44 (*Christ speaking*) 44 Ye are of your father <u>the devil</u>, 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: <u>for he is a liar, and the father of it.</u> (KJV)

Snakes can not speak, but Satan will speak to you if your not careful! Do not play with him! He is supernatural, And he speaks only lies to deceive. He is evil power exemplified.

5 For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then <u>your eyes shall be</u> <u>opened</u>**1*, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil.

Explanations from above verse: *1 <u>your eyes shall be opened</u> = This is the second lie in the Bible, and Satan is also the author of this one. Remember from verse one, that the tree that the serpent wants Eve to partake of means: "To close the eyes," as in being deceived, and losing sight of the only commandment from God at that time:

Gen 2:17 (*God speaking to Adam*) 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. (KJV)

6 And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was **pleasant to the eves***1, and a tree to be **desired***2 to **make one wise***3, she **took***4 of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat.

Explanations from above verse: I think you will find that this is certainly no ordinary tree, for it wasn't a tree at all, it was Satan. *1 pleasant to the eyes = Hebrew word #2530; chamad: To desire, to covet, to take pleasure in, to delight in, to be desirable, to delight greatly, to desire greatly, desirableness, preciousness.*2 desired = Hebrew word #8378 ta'avah (tah-av-aw'); from 183 (abbreviated); to yearn for, to lust after (used of bodily appetites) a longing; by implication, a delight (subjectively, satisfaction, objectively, a charm): a desire, a wish, longings of one's heart; lust, an appetite, covetousness (in a bad sense), to covet, to wait longingly. *3 make one wise = Apple trees don't make you smart. But Satan can fill your mind with evil 'wisdom' and evil thoughts! *4 took = Hebrew word #3947 laqach (law-kakh'); a primitive root; to take (in the widest variety of applications): to take, to lay hold of, to receive, to marry, to take a wife, to take to or for a person, to procure, to get, to take possession of, to select, to choose, to take in marriage, to receive, to accept.

This sure doesn't sound like a girl just enjoying an apple to me! No, this is far more than an appreciation for fine produce. Does the account above sound like someone eating an apple to you? Of course not, but you have probably been lied to since Sunday School about what really happened in the garden of Eden. This In-depth Bible Study is purposed in teaching exactly what did happen, over six thousand years ago in the Garden of Eden that day, and also why it happened.

When one has been brought up on a lie from their early youth on up, then the truth can seem remarkable. But in learning why something happened, the cause and effect of it, we can better accept it for the truth that it is. With all the false teaching going on in this latter day generation *(which itself was prophesied to come about)* sometimes it takes more work to unlearn the untruths than it does to learn the truth of God's Word, The Bible.

Clear your head of all the smoke screens of Satan's false teachings, and let God's Word flow clearly and uncorrupted into your mind. Here's what really happened in the garden of Eden: Eve lost her virginity to 'the serpent,' whom was that 'Tree of the knowledge of good and evil in the midst of the garden,' and who is none other than Satan himself.

Satan is a deceiver and a liar, and he has many names and roles he has played throughout history, but it is always the **same entity**! And he will come in the role of the antichrist to our generation, but it's the same entity that was in the Garden with Adam and Eve. By the way, I haven't seen the word 'apple' mentioned in these scriptures yet, have you? You won't either, nowhere in God's Where does it say that Adam and Eve ate an apple! Yet we see modern religious paintings showing Eve holding an apple. Why?

Why did the false teacher choose an apple? Why not a peach or a lemon? I cannot begin to understand what was going through the mind of the person who started the 'apple' story. As you see in these scriptures, he had to actually sit down and think about what to add to God's Word. And it would have been impossible for him to not know that he was adding to God's Word by identifying the 'forbidden fruit' as an apple, even though he quite clearly was ignorant to the symbolic nature of the fruit.

Adam also partook of this 'forbidden fruit.' Satan is a super-natural being possessing supernatural powers, thus he can appear to Adam and Eve as two different things (beings, entities) if he had wanted to. We don't know for sure as to what degree Adam partook of this fruit, but as we read on, we will see that Eve became pregnant from her doing so. She was impregnated and conceived by the serpent **first**, then she conceived a **second** time from Adam (*next chapter [Gen 4:1]*). Eve went on to bear **twins** (*Cain and Abel*).

Cain and Abel were what is called 'Fraternal Twins.' Which is one birth of two children, conceived at different times. And this happens to this very day, ask any doctor or nurse, sometimes even Fraternal Twins of two different races. Stay with me here now and it will all fall into place, one step at a time.

One thing for sure: This serpent wasn't some gardener snake, snakes do not have the organs of speech, but Satan has the organs to accomplish impregnating Eve with **his son** Cain. Satan knew that the Messiah Jesus Christ would come through the lineage of Eve. This was the first attempt by Satan to destroy the pure seed line that Christ was to come through, umbilical cord to umbilical cord, four-thousand years later.

Satan is fearful of Christ because he knows that it is Jesus Christ who will eventually accomplish casting him into the lake of fire *(Hell)*, which will be his eternal perdition. This is prophesied, and we will cover it in *[Gen 3:15]*. We know that Satan's plan failed with the ultimate birth of Jesus Christ who upon his crucifixion, defeated death, which is to say defeated Satan. Satan is death, it is one of his many names and roles he has played and will play in the Bible. I give the below verse as documentation for the above point. Incidentally, this is the reason that the Crucifixion was necessary:

Heb 2:9-14 9 But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels for the suffering of death, crowned with glory and honour; that he by the grace of God should taste death for every man.

10 For it became him, for whom are all things, and by whom are all things, in bringing many sons unto glory, to make the captain of their salvation perfect through sufferings.

11 For both he that sanctifieth and they who are sanctified are all of one: for which cause he is not ashamed to call them brethren,

12 Saying, I will declare thy name unto my brethren, in the midst of the church will I sing praise unto thee.

13 And again, I will put my trust in him. And again, Behold I and the children which God hath given me.

14 Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself likewise took part of the same; **that through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil**. (KJV)

Now let's continue on in our study and read what God is going to do as He confronts The serpent, Adam, and Eve about what happened. I assure you, He is not pleased with any one of the three of them!

Genesis 3:7-13 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.

Explanations from above verse: Once again: Eating apples doesn't make you ashamed of your nakedness! But losing your innocence and your virginity certainly can. We also notice that they didn't make masks to cover mouths that had just eaten apples; they made aprons to cover their 'private parts...'

Simply eating an apple does not do this to anyone! Fruit does not make one aware. You must remain cognizant of the most important fact that none of these strange things regarding the serpent and this tree of the knowledge of good and evil are of God's doing. God hasn't intervened yet.

And if this particular serpent and this particular tree seem to exhibit supernatural characteristics, it is because they are supernatural; Satan is a supernatural being possessing supernatural powers of deception. But through the Blood of Jesus Christ we have power to withstand Satan, in Adam's and Eve's time this was not so.

Every event, every cause and effect from the time Satan first spoke to Eve [Gen 3: 1], until God intervenes and passes punishment on all parties involved in [Gen 3:14-19] is Satan's handiwork. God does however pass judgment and issue penalty for this act. We will cover that in-depth when we get to [Gen 3:14-19]. Let's pick it back up at verse 8:

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.

9 And the LORD God called unto Adam, and said unto him, Where art thou?

10 And he said, I heard thy voice in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself.

11 And he said, Who told thee that thou wast naked? Hast thou eaten of the tree, whereof I commanded thee that thou shouldest not eat?

12 And the man said, The woman whom thou gavest to be with me, she gave me of the tree, and I did eat.

13 And the LORD God said unto the woman, What is this that thou hast done? And the woman said, The serpent **<u>beguiled</u>****I* me, and I did eat. (KJV)

Explanations from above verse: *1 <u>beguiled</u> = Hebrew word # 5377 nasha' (naw-shaw'); a primitive root; to lead astray, i.e. (mentally) to delude, or (morally) to seduce: to beguile, to deceive utterly (infinitive).

We see the word "Beguiled" defined here, and it is far more than being tricked into munching on an apple. But the Ancient Hebrew language of the Old testament doesn't translate as well into English as the ancient Greek of the new Testament does. To really nail the point home as far as what occurred between Eve and the "serpent." Let's read an account of it in the Greek language of the New Testament book of 2nd Corinthians. Lets go into a new language, and let Apostle Paul teach us in the Greek language of the New testament exactly what happened to Eve in the Garden of Eden:

2 Cor 11:2-3 (*Apostle Paul speaking*) 2 For I am jealous over you with godly jealousy: for I have espoused you to one husband, that I may present you as a chaste virgin to Christ.

3 But I fear, lest by any means, as the <u>serpent</u>**1* <u>beguiled</u>**2* Eve through his subtlety, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ. (KJV)

Explanations from above verse: Remember, we are now in the Greek language of the New Testament: *1 serpent = Greek word # 3789 ophis (of'-is); probably from 3700 (through the idea of sharpness of vision); a snake, figuratively (as a type of sly cunning) an artful malicious person, especially Satan: with the ancients, the serpent was an emblem of cunning and wisdom. The serpent who deceived Eve was regarded by the Jews as the Devil. *2 beguiled = Greek word #1818 "exapatao" (ex-ap-at-ah'-o); To seduce wholly. This was a sexual act. There can be no misunderstanding as to the meaning of what the serpent did to Eve, as there is only one meaning of the word 'expatao' in the Greek language.

Now lets go back to where we left off in our expository view of Genesis chapter three and pick it up at *[Gen 3:14]* where we will see God's punishment of the serpent because of his part in all of this. But first it is important once again for it to be made very clear exactly who the **serpent** is.

The below scripture of *[Rev 12:7-9]* is prophecy, it has not happened yet, but it will happen in our life time. Below in verse nine, it tells of Satan being cast back down to the earth. When Satan is cast back down he will not come in the form of the 'serpent' or 'the tree of the knowledge of good and evil', he come in the personage of the antichrist, who is an impostor to the True Jesus Christ.

As it is prophesied, Satan (as the antichrist) will come to this earth in the final times as an *instead-of* christ, an impostor to the true Christ **prior** to the prophesied Second Advent of Jesus Christ. Satan and his accompanying fallen angels will have but five months reign {Rev 9:5 & 10} (which was shortened by the Grace of God from the $3\frac{1}{2}$ years {Mat 24:21-22 & Mk 13:19-20}). The True Jesus Christ comes at the last (7th) Trump {Rev 11:15-}, which leads into the Millennium (1000 year) period {Rev 20:4-5}, then Judgment Day including the casting into the Lake of Fire (commonly referred to as *Hell*) of those who did not overcome {Rev 20:11-15}, then the eternal Heaven Age having no end {Rev 21:1-4}.

Rev 12:7-9 7 And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels,

8 And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven.

9 And the great dragon was cast out, **<u>that old serpent</u>*1**, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: <u>**he**</u>*2 was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him. (KJV)

Explanations from above verse: *1 <u>that old serpent</u> = This is 'The serpent of old', the same serpent that we are reading of in Genesis. *2 <u>he</u> = We see that the serpent is a 'he', not an 'it'. The serpent is not a garden snake, he is the devil, he is Satan himself! that should leave no doubt in your mind that we are talking about Satan. OK, back to Genesis where we left off:

Gen 3:14-15 4 And the LORD God said unto the serpent, Because thou hast done this, thou art cursed above all cattle, and above every beast of the field; **upon thy belly shalt thou go***1, and **dust shalt thou eat***2 all the days of thy life:

Explanations from above verse: *1 <u>upon thy belly shalt thou go</u> = A Hebraism (figure of speech) for utter defeat as in Ps 72:9 & Isa 49:23. *2 <u>dust shalt thou eat</u> = A Hebraism (figure of speech) meaning an ultimate term of degradation, as in Ps 44:25.

Now the next verse is where "the rubber meets the road" as far as what really happened between the serpent and Eve. This verse will also show us the first mention of the promise of the Messiah Jesus Christ. This verse also contains the first prophecy in the Bible:

15 And I will put <u>enmity</u>**1* <u>between thee and the woman</u>*2, and <u>between</u> <u>thy seed and her seed</u>*3; <u>it</u>*4 shall <u>bruise thy head</u>*5, and <u>thou</u>*6 shalt <u>bruise his heel</u>*7.

Explanations from above verse: *1 <u>enmity</u> = Hebrew word #342 'eybah (ay-baw'); from 340; hostility: a primitive root; to hate (<u>as one of an opposite tribe or party</u>); hence to be hostile. *2 <u>between thee and the woman</u> = Not enmity between a garden snake and a woman, that doesn't even make sense! But enmity between the offspring of the serpent (Satan) and the offspring of the woman (Eve, through Adam, and thus of God). *3 between thy <u>seed</u> and her <u>seed</u> = seed: Hebrew word #2233 zera'- seed, sowing, <u>offspring</u>, a sowing, seed, <u>semen virile</u>, <u>offspring</u>, <u>descendants</u>, <u>posterity</u>, <u>children</u>. From #2232:<u>to become pregnant</u>, <u>to be made pregnant</u>. *4 it = Jesus Christ. *5 <u>bruise thy head</u> = Jesus destroying Satan. *6 <u>thou</u> = Satan. *7 <u>bruise his heel</u> = Satan causing the crucifixion of Jesus Christ.

Jesus' heels were bruised when He was nailed to the cross. The offspring and descendants of the serpent (Satan) are called Kenites *(which means sons of Cain; whom was the first murderer)*. These Kenites multiplied, and in the process of time four-thousand years later, went on to infiltrate the Hebrew peoples and distort the Hebrew religion of the Old Testament founding the religion of Judaism. It must be pointed out that all Hebrew peoples are not Jews! The term "Jew" is a religious moniker not a national identity as supposed.

It was them that forced the hand of Pontius Pilate and the Roman Government into crucifying Jesus Christ. It was the Kenites who had slipped into the tribe of Judah *(one of the twelve tribes of Israel)* that were in the crowd yelling: "Crucify him, Crucify him" [Lk 23:21] thus fulfilling this prophecy. In other words, it was not all Jews that caused Christ to be crucified as commonly taught; but the evil seed *(Kenites, the sons of Cain, the offspring of the serpent; satan)* who had mixed in accomplishing it. See: In the Bible, who Are The People Of The House Of Israel, the House Of Judah, The Jews, And The Kenites?. Contrary to what is commonly taught in the sorry churches of today, Pontius Pilate did not want to crucify Christ, in fact he tried to talk them out of it more than once:

Luke 23:20-24 20 Pilate therefore, willing to release Jesus, spake again to them.

21 But they cried, saying, Crucify him, crucify him.

22 And he said unto them the third time, Why, what evil hath he done? I have found no cause of death in him: I will therefore chastise him, and let him go.

23 And they were instant with loud voices, requiring that he might be crucified. And the voices of them and of the chief priests prevailed.

24 And Pilate gave sentence that it should be as they required. (KJV)

Jesus Christ will indeed bruise the head of the serpent (Satan). And thus fulfil the prophecy that is written of Him:

Heb 2:14-18 14 Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself likewise took part of the same; that through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil;

15 And deliver them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage.

16 For verily he took not on him the nature of angels; but he took on him the seed of Abraham.

17 Wherefore in all things it behoved him to be made like unto his brethren, that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in things pertaining to God, to make reconciliation for the sins of the people.

18 For in that he himself hath suffered being tempted, he is able to succour them that are tempted. (KJV)

Rev 20:10 And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever. (KJV)

In [Gen 3:15] above, you have in the statement: "Enmity Between thy seed and her seed" the first great prophecy of the Bible. Eve was the great, great, great. . . great ancestor of the Messiah Jesus Christ, by birth to birth . . . (We will document that at the end of this study with the genealogy chart of Jesus Christ, from God, through Adam, through Eve who was taken from Adam, . . . all the way to the virgin Mother Mary and then Jesus Christ through birth by virgin birth between Mary and God).

Jesus is the "her seed" referred to here. Satan and his offspring are the "thy seed" referred to. The serpent's progeny, his offspring, will be cast into the lake of fire after judgment day. Satan, in the role of antichrist will also be destroyed at that time, as well as all the roles that Satan has played since the beginning of time, just like the burying of a copyrighted actor, all his roles go with him. In other words, from this first prophecy you have the entire plan of God. The battle between good and evil has already been won by God. All that remains is for each of us; each individual soul that has ever lived, or will ever live, must make their own choice as to whether they will follow God into the eternal Heaven, or follow Satan into the eternal punishment of the lake of fire, the abyss *(Hell)*.

Those are the only two choices, there is no special place set aside for those who call themselves: Agnostics, Atheists, Heathen, Non-believers, "Mr. Or Ms. I don't have time for God," or "Mr. Or Ms. I don't give a care,"... These are all just fancy titles and descriptions for the same lot that will accompany Satan into the pit, into the abyss, the lake of fire if they don't repent and worship Almighty God and his only begotten Son Jesus Christ, before that great and final Day of Judgment. This is scripture, it is written, it is the second death, and it is the death of a soul [Rev 20:10-15]. OK, now back to our study in the book of Genesis:

Gen 3:16 Unto the woman he said, I will greatly multiply thy sorrow <u>and</u>**1* thy <u>conception</u>**2*; in <u>sorrow</u>**3* thou shalt bring forth <u>children</u>**4*; and thy desire shall be to thy husband, and he shall rule over thee.

Explanations from above verse: *1 and = Read as: "And multiply thy conception." Eve had twins. *2 conception = Hebrew word # 2032; pregnancy: from # 2029; harah to conceive, to become pregnant, to bear, to be with child, to be conceived, progenitor. * 3 sorrow = Hebrew #6089: Worry, toil. This is not talking about the physical pain of childbirth, it is mental anguish. After all, one son killed the other. And the remaining one was banished from Eve's sight forever.

This brought Eve much sorrow, think like a mother to understand this word "sorrow." *4 <u>children</u> = Hebrew word # 1121; ben: Son. Plural, this Hebrew word is unique in that it is only used of male offspring! It was talking about Cain and Abel.

Eve was now pregnant by the serpent (Satan), Adam doesn't have sex with her until the next chapter. Adam and Eve were innocent in the Garden of God, knowing no evil or sin. Satan came in and took advantage of their naivety and the inherent disobedience of man. Adam will have sex with Eve [Gen 4:1] and she will bear twins from separate conceptions, but the same pregnancy (Fraternal twins). You will see that the order of birth is consistent with the order of conception, Cain is born first, then Eve continued in labour and bare Cain's brother Abel.

NOTE: If you are disturbed by the mention of sex in a Bible study, then take it up with God. He wasn't disturbed when he had Moses write it. And besides, how do you think you got here? It is that kind of puritanical, hypocritical self-righteousness that has led to the corruption of the Sacred Text, and the blinding of God's perfect truth and Word. Because of this, you have been lied to and were taught that Adam and Eve were munching on the wrong apple.

Gen 3:17-24 (*Punishment issued to Adam. Adam and Eve not allowed to take of the tree of life [Jesus]. And Adam and Eve cast out of the Garden of Eden:*)

Gen 3:17-24 17 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;

18 Thorns also and thistles shall it bring forth to thee; and thou shalt eat the herb of the field;

19 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.

20 And Adam called his wife's name Eve; because she was the mother of all living.

21 Unto Adam also and to his wife did the LORD God make coats of skins, and clothed them.

22 And the LORD God said, Behold, the man is become as one of us, to know good and evil: and now, lest he put forth his hand, and take also of <u>the tree</u> of life *1, and eat, and live for ever:

Explanations from above verse: *1 <u>the tree of life</u> = Jesus is "The Tree of Life," although it was not yet time for Him to be revealed and to fulfil His prophecy.

23 Therefore the LORD God sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to till the ground from whence he was taken.

24 So he drove out the man; and he placed at the east of the garden of Eden <u>Cherubims</u>*1, and a flaming sword which turned every way, <u>to keep the</u> <u>way of the tree of life</u>*2.

*Explanations from above verse: *1* <u>Cherubims</u> = Angelic beings. *2 <u>to keep the way of the</u> <u>tree of life</u> = Preserve, save, protect; so that man should not live forever in his fallen condition, but only through Christ.

GENESIS CHAPTER 4

(Adam first has sex with Eve. The children are born, one bad and one good, one from Satan through the serpent; and one from God through Adam.)

Gen 4:1-2 1 And Adam <u>knew</u>**1* Eve his wife; and she <u>conceived</u>*2, and bare <u>Cain</u>*3, and said, <u>I have gotten a man from the LORD</u>*4.

Explanations from above verse: *1 <u>knew</u> = Sexual intercourse. *2 <u>conceived</u> = Second conception (Abel). *3 <u>Cain</u> = Born first (serpents son). *4 = Read as: "I have gotten a son with the help of the Lord:" ('ish 'eth Jehovah). Eve had no idea what was going on here, she did not know that Cain was from the serpent (Satan).

2 And she **<u>again</u>****1* bare his brother Abel. And Abel was a keeper of sheep, but Cain was a tiller of the ground.

Explanations from above verse: *1 <u>again</u> = Hebrew word # 3254; yacaph (yaw-saf); a primitive root; to add or augment (often adverbial, <u>to continue to do a thing</u>). In other words, Eve continued in labour and had the second of twins.

OK, now If Eve bore Cain and then continued in labour and bore Abel, what do you have? Twins of course. And If Adam had her once, and the serpent had her once, and God told her that her punishment would be to bear children (*plural, and most specifically male*) in sorrow (*not the pain of delivering children*), and that her children's children would always be enemies, even murder! What do you have? What's shaping up here?

Cain and Abel were Fraternal Twins, born of two separate conceptions, by two different fathers. One, Satan through the serpent; and one, God through Adam, and eventually 4000 years later, umbilical cord to umbilical cord would be born the Messiah Jesus Christ, whom Satan would cause to be nailed to the cross (bruise His heels), crucified; but whom would eventually cast Satan into the lake of fire *(Hell)* and eternal death (bruise his head).

Genesis 4:3-7(*The twins come of age together, documented by them reaching the age to sacrifice to the Lord at the same time. Cain's sacrifice was not fit for God, Abel's was*)

Gen 4:3-7 3 And in process of time it came to pass, that Cain brought of the fruit of the ground an offering unto the LORD.

4 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:

5 But unto Cain and to his offering he had not respect. And Cain was very wroth, and his countenance fell.

6 And the LORD said unto Cain, Why art thou wroth? and why is thy countenance fallen?

7 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.

Gen 4:8-15 (*Cain murders Abel, God punishes Cain. The mark placed upon Cain, which was the forerunner and type of the mark of the beast in the book of Revelation*)

Gen 4:8-15 8 And Cain talked with Abel his brother: and it came to pass, when they were in the field, that Cain rose up against Abel his brother, and slew him.

9 And the LORD said unto Cain, Where is Abel thy brother? And he said, I know not: Am I my brother's keeper?

10 And he said, What hast thou done? the voice of thy brother's blood crieth unto me from the ground.

11 And now art thou cursed from the earth, which hath opened her mouth to receive thy brother's blood from thy hand;

12 When thou tillest the ground, it shall not henceforth yield unto thee her strength; a fugitive and a vagabond shalt thou be in the earth.

13 And Cain said unto the LORD, My punishment is greater than I can bear.

14 Behold, thou hast driven me out this day from the face of the earth; and from thy face shall I be hid; and I shall be a fugitive and a vagabond in the earth; and it shall come to pass, that every one that findeth me shall slay me.

15 And the LORD said unto him, Therefore whosoever slayeth Cain, vengeance shall be taken on him sevenfold. And the LORD set a mark upon Cain, lest any finding him should kill him.

Gen 4:25-26 (Adam's second son (Seth) is born, Eve's third. The family line through which Christ would come, grows)

Gen 4:25-26 25 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.

26 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.

Gen 5:1-7 (*The seed flourishes. This is the ancestry of Jesus Christ. Observe that Cain is not mentioned, for he is not in Adams generations [genealogy]. Nor is Abel, whom Cain slew, because he had no progeny, leaving only Seth to carry on Adams seed-line [family name]*)

Gen 5:1-7 1 This is the book of the generations of Adam. In the day that God created man, in the likeness of God made he him;

2 Male and female created he them; and blessed them, and called their name Adam, in the day when they were created.

3 And Adam lived an hundred and thirty years, and begat a son in his own likeness, after his image; and called his name Seth:

4 And the days of Adam after he had begotten Seth were eight hundred years: and he begat sons and daughters:

5 And all the days that Adam lived were nine hundred and thirty years: and he died.

6 And Seth lived an hundred and five years, and begat Enos:

7 And Seth lived after he begat Enos eight hundred and seven years, and begat sons and daughters:

You notice that Cain is not mentioned in Adams Generations (*Genealogy*)! It goes from Adam to Seth. This is because Abel died without having any progeny (*children*) and thus not in the line of Christ. And Cain is not Adams son!

As promised earlier in this study we now supply documentation that Adam is the Great Ancestor of Jesus Christ on Mother Mary's side. You will also notice that Cain is not mentioned. The birthright went to Seth, for Cain was not of Adam.

Luke 3:21-38 (Verse 24-37 omitted) 21 Now when all the people were baptized, it came to pass, that Jesus also being baptized, and praying, the heaven was opened,

22 And the Holy Ghost descended in a bodily shape like a dove upon him, and a voice came from heaven, which said, Thou art my beloved Son; in thee I am well pleased.

23 And <u>Jesus</u> himself began to be about thirty years of age, being (as was supposed) the son of Joseph, which was the son of Heli, ... (verse 38) Which was the son of Enos, which was the son of <u>Seth</u>, which was the son of <u>Adam</u>, which was the son of God.

Well, there you have it, Adam is the son of God and the great ancestor to Jesus Christ. But what ever became of the progeny of the serpent? Are they still around?

You bet they are! They have been with us all along. Below is one place that they rear their ugly heads. These sons of the first murderer (sons of Cain), are the Kenites that we spoke of earlier. Cain is the serpents son. The serpent is Satan, the devil. Below you will see him identified as the first murderer, everybody knows that Cain was the first murderer. These Kenites had worked themselves into very high "religious" positions in Christs time. They are doing the same thing today (Another study for another day). Let's listen in as Jesus calls these Kenites what they are. For the sake of time, we won't comment on these verses except to say that Jesus is speaking to the "religious" community of the time. They had allowed themselves to become corrupted and deceived, much like Eve had in the Garden, and like many of our present day "Religious institutions" are now. One more point, Jesus is telling them that Satan is their father, and that God is Jesus' Father, Keep your eye out for the capitalization of the word father. For there are two fathers: <u>father</u> Satan, down through the serpent, to Cain. . . . And you have the <u>Father</u> God, down through Adam, to Seth. As always, there is a reason for every little thing in your Bible. Below you have the seed of the woman (Jesus) speaking to the serpent (the Kenites). John 8:30-47 (*Christ's words in bold*)

30 As he spake these words, many believed on him.

31 Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed;32 And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.

33 They answered him, We be Abraham's seed, and were never in bondage to any man: how sayest thou, Ye shall be made free?

34 Jesus answered them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whosoever committeth sin is the servant of sin. 35 And the servant abideth not in the house for ever: but the Son abideth ever.

36 If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed.

37 I know that ye are Abraham's seed; but ye seek to kill me, because my word hath no place in you.

38 I speak that which I have seen with my <u>Father</u>: and ye do that which ye have seen with your <u>father</u>.

39 They answered and said unto him, Abraham is our <u>father</u>. Jesus saith unto them, **If ye were Abraham's children**, **ye would do the works of Abraham**.

40 But now ye seek to kill me, a man that hath told you the truth, which I have heard of God: this did not Abraham.

41 Ye do the deeds of your <u>father</u>. Then said they to him, We be not born of fornication; we have one Father, even God.

42 Jesus said unto them, If God were your Father, ye would love me: for I proceeded forth and came from God; neither came I of myself, but he sent me.

43 Why do ye not understand my speech? even because ye cannot hear my word.

44 Ye are of your <u>father</u> the devil, and the lusts of your <u>father</u> 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.

45 And because I tell you the truth, ye believe me not.

46 Which of you convinceth me of sin? And if I say the truth, why do ye not believe me?

47 He that is of God heareth God's words: ye therefore hear them not, because ye are not of God. (KJV)

Well, there you have it, and now you know what the real sin was in the Garden of Eden, and more importantly you know why it happened, you know the outcome of it.

And you can see why it is no little thing that they have corrupted the Word of God in regards to the original sin. If we do not understand that Satan was here in the beginning, how will we ever know to beware of him in the end *(prophesied to be in our generation)*.

And in understanding this event and the repercussions of it, we can better understand the entire plan of God, the entire Bible hinges on this event. When man turns it into a "naughty apple eating event," the entire Bible ceases to have one common theme running through it, all the seemingly endless genealogies become meaningless, and the Bible is reduced to a hodge-podge of stories and advice.

But we, in understanding the truth, can see the perfect operation of The Holy Spirit in His action and influence on the pen of the Prophets and Apostles; in the completeness, inter-relation, and relativity of the sixty-six separate books, authored by some thirty-three men, over a period of approximately 1584 years, covering events that constitute eternity. This is the resume' of the Bible.

And now we end where we began:

2 Tim 4:3-4 3 For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears;

4 And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables. (KJV)

I trust that this does not describe you. And I know that this may be something entirely new to you. However, this is not some new revelation, it is not some new Doctrine, it is not some kind of adding to the Word of God; but it is the truth of old that has been hidden by Satan and his, hidden through the lies of the corrupted churches and the amazing lack of True Biblical knowledge of the clergy of these end times. Does it really seem all that remarkable that Satan and his henchmen would not want you to be aware of the seed of the serpent? Certainly Satan knew that if you were forewarned of him and his progeny then you would have been forearmed. Well much to Satan's chagrin, you are forewarned, and the way to become forearmed is with the Gospel Armour and the understanding of the True Word of God; not the cr*p that is being taught in many of the dead churches of today. You don't have to die with them, knowledge kills the lies that can cause the death of a soul. God bless you in the name of God's Saviour, The Anointed One: Jesus Christ.

Was Eve's sin more than simply sexual in nature? And just what exactly did Adam do?

I would like to be totally clear on something that perhaps was not treated enough in the body of this study thus far. While Eve did have sex with Satan (as the serpent, the glistening one) it would be incorrect to state that the nature of the sin in the Garden was purely sexual. Let me explain.

Far more than sex was being engaged in between Satan, Eve, and Adam in the Garden of Eden. And certainly Adam's sin was not to lie with his own wife, for how else could they abide God's edict to be fruitful and multiply. And besides, Adam doesn't have sex with Eve until {Gen 4:1} which is after he was already punished for his sin {Gen 3:17-19}, so his sin could not be laying with his wife. Sex within marriage is a beautiful thing, it is a gift from our Lord to us as long as long as we abide by His rules for it. When one has sex with their spouse they are not defiling themselves from without, for when we marry two become one.

Thus far in the study we have documented that Eve indeed had sex with the serpent so we shall not revisit that here, but there was also very strong spiritual overtones to the event. As we saw that the Hebrew of the Old Testament veils much of the event, we also see that the Holy Spirit shed more light on it in Paul's writings in the New Testament {2 Cor 11:2-3}. One needn't fuss over why the Holy Spirit would veil or hide something in the Old Testament and then clearly reveal it in the New, for God reveals what He will when He will according to His purpose.

The knowledge of what really happened in the Garden of Eden has been revealed just of late, but it was always there in the Scriptures (as are all **true** doctrines). I would dare say that the teaching that Satan is Cain's literal father has only been shown to man by the Holy Spirit in the last half of this century. But now, once made aware of it, we can see it written all through the Bible. Even Jesus came right out and plainly said it but it wasn't time for man accept it: *"Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do..." {John 8:44}. "Your father"* is used twice for emphasis and clarity; *"father"* here does not simply mean that they are like Satan, as many

suppose, but rather that Satan is their literal ancestor, their progenitor. But now let's get back to Eve's sin, and then Adam's. Here is what the Holy Spirit revealed through Apostle Paul, for surely Paul was not present in the Garden of Eden to witness the events. Also you will notice that Paul mixes the carnal with the spiritual in the below. Hold that in the back of your mind for it is the answer to your question:

2 Cor 11:2-3 2 For I am jealous over you with godly jealousy: for I have espoused you to one husband, that I may present you as a chaste virgin to Christ.

3 But I fear, lest by any means, as the serpent **<u>beguiled</u>** Eve through his subtlety, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ. (KJV)

Beguiled: Greek word #1818 *exapatao* (ex-ap-at-ah'-o); from 1537 and 538; <u>to seduce wholly</u>. *All definitions from the <u>Strong's Exhaustive Concordance</u>, a MUST HAVE study tool for the deeper student, second in importance only to the **King James** Bible!

This 'beguiling' is far more than a *simple* deceiving, for we see that the Greek word beguiled *'exapatao'* (#1818) is composed of the Greek word for deceive *'apatao'* (#538), but added to it is the prefix *'ek'* (#1537) meaning: from within, exceedingly, vehemently, heartily.... Observe the simple Greek word for deceive, it is less to be deceived than it is to be beguiled:

Deceive: Greek word #538 apatao (ap-at-ah'-o); of uncertain derivation; to cheat, i.e. Delude.

Okay, so knowing that Eve's sin did involve a sexual act we are immediately confounded with Adam's sin: "...she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat." {Gen 3:6}. If the sin was merely to partake of the "Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil" (Satan), it would appear that Adam's sin was sexual in nature as well, for he also partook after Eve did. This brings the unthinkable to mind, but then Satan is a supernatural being and could have appeared as a man to Eve and a woman to Adam, but there is so much more here. Once again we go to the New Testament and dig a little deeper into what the Holy Spirit has revealed through Paul. For as we see, there **is some** difference in what Adam did and what Eve did:

1 Tim 2:13-15 13 For Adam was first formed, then Eve.

14 And Adam was not deceived, <u>but the woman</u> being deceived was in the <u>transgression</u>.

15 Notwithstanding she shall be saved in childbearing, if they continue in faith and charity and holiness with sobriety. (KJV)

Transgression: Greek word #3845 parabaino (par-ab-ah'-ee-no); from 3844 and the base of 939; to go contrary to, i.e. violate a command. In verse 15 above, Eve was saved in childbearing (as we all could be) because through her children, umbilical cord to umbilical cord, 4000 years later, would be born the Saviour of the world Jesus Christ (not Cain the son of Satan, but Abel then Seth the sons of Adam was the promise to come through). Now if they both 'ate' of the 'tree', then what command is it that Eve transgressed which Adam did not? Well what was the command that Eve received that Adam did not? Compare:

Adam's instructions:

Gen 2:17 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. (KJV)

Eve's instructions:

Gen 3:3 But of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, <u>neither shall ye touch it</u>, lest ye die. (KJV)

This word "Touch" in Eve's instructions is '*naga*' in the Hebrew, and it is a euphemism for sex (i.e., to lie with a woman). Adam was not warned about this from God, perhaps He knew it wouldn't happen:

Touch: Hebrew word #5060 *naga*`(naw-gah'); a primitive root; properly, to touch, i.e. lay the hand upon (**for any purpose**; **<u>euphem.</u>**, **to lie with a woman**); by implication, to reach (figuratively, to arrive, acquire); violently, to strike (punish, defeat, destroy, etc.)

Okay, let's observe what the sin was, what Adam and Eve got out of it. What did they gain by doing that which God told them not to? Just as it is today, Satan attempts to charm us with false doctrine. Satan promises life but only delivers misery and death. Did Satan have sex with Eve? Yep, he sure did, but that wasn't all that happened. Satan deceived both Adam and Eve with promises that he could not keep and out right lies that he did not intend to deliver upon.

Satan mislead them spiritually away from our Heavenly Father by delivering false doctrine to them. It is the same way even today where Satan, through his false teachers/preachers teach that all religions are different paths to the same God, and even the alarming doctrines of the New Age religions and their predecessors Eastern religions in where they state that they can become 'enlightened' to such a high spiritual degree that they break the bonds of the flesh and ascend into a spiritual ultra-consciousness state of all-knowing and eternal existence. Yes, they believe that crapola, even placed the fate of their very souls on it, they think that they can become as God, become a god! What a rude awakening they are in for.

But it is only Satan's age old lie, the same one that he got to Adam and Eve with. Let's revisit the Garden of Eden and observe what Satan promised Adam and Eve if they would only disobey and leave God, and to listen to and follow Satan. For make no mistake about it, if God had not intervened, Satan would have been back with Adam and Eve day after day turning them into his own little slaves and founding a corrupt world out of God's perfect Garden of Eden. Satan seeks to do just that even today, and as prophesied, for a short while in the end of times (our generation) he shall accomplish that - Then Jesus Christ comes back at His Second Advent and promptly deposits Satan into the Bottomless Pit leaving all whom were misled by him in great shame, to say the least. But that would be a different study for a different day.

Gen 3:4-6 4 And the serpent said unto the woman, <u>Ye shall not surely die</u>:

5 For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then <u>your eyes shall be</u> opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil.

6 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 <u>to make one wise</u>, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat. (KJV)

Once Satan had deceived them "religiously" it was a small thing for him to take all of Eve (sexually). It was through that sexual union that Cain was born. And it was through those false teachings that idolatry away and apart from God was born. That is why God was so upset! It is a shame that even today from the Pulpits of Christendom people are still taught that the order of the world was rocked, and God's wrath was so hotly fired because Adam and Eve ate an apple from the wrong tree!

God bless! Nick WBSG (End of study)

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