

# “Adam, From the First to the Last”

The intention of this message is to explain foundational concepts of Kingdom life & development of a mature stature of spirit to obey God.

**1 Cor. 15:45 TPT** says, “For it is written: “The first man, Adam, became **a** living soul. **The last Adam** became **the** life-giving Spirit.” **TPT**

**note:** “The Last Adam is Jesus Christ. As the last Adam, He ended Adam’s race and began a new species of humans who are indwelt by the Holy Spirit and carry the life of Christ within them.”

**46.** However, the spiritual didn’t come first. The natural precedes the spiritual. **47.** The first man was from the dust of the earth; the second Man is the Lord Jehovah, from the realm of heaven. **TPT note:** “In God’s eyes there are only two men, Adam and Christ. Every human being is a copy of one or the other. To be in Adam is to be lost and merely human, but to be in Christ is to be wrapped into the Anointed One as one who carries the life of Christ within.”

**48.** The first one, made from dust, has a race of people just like him, who are also made from dust. The One from heaven has a race of heavenly people who are just like Him. **49.** Once we carried the likeness of the man of dust, but now **let us** (Aram.: either “let us” or “we shall.”) Carry the likeness of the Man of heaven.”

## The One Prohibition Placed by God on the Blessing Bestowed upon the Original Created Man

### There were Two Main Trees in the Garden of Eden & Two Choices

**Gen. 2:15-17 NKJV** “Then the LORD God took the man (or “Adam”) and put him in the garden of Eden to tend (or “cultivate”) and keep it (**SFLB WW shamar** – “guard, keep, protect, preserve; watch over, care for, safekeep.” The participle *shomer* means “guardian,” or “he who watches,” that is, a watchman or shepherd. The Lord is called “*shomer Yisrael*,” the “One who guards Israel”; this Keeper never slumbers and never sleeps, but is always on duty (Psa. 121:4; the Heb. word

for keeps is used 6 times in this song, dramatically emphasizing the care of God.).”

**16.** *And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, “Of every tree of the garden you may freely eat; 17. But of the tree of the knowledge of good & evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die (or “dying you shall die.”).*” **SFLB WW** “**Good Heb. tob** (tawv) “goodness, whatever is right, pleasant, or happy; the opposite of sorrow or evil. In its first occurrence (**Gen. 1:4**), the Creator evaluates His product: “*God saw the light, that it was good.*” “Shortly thereafter, *tob* is used in contrast with its antonym *ra’* (*bad* or *evil*) in the phrase “*good and evil*” (2:17).” Interestingly, Egypt’s sun god was called “Ra.” In Egyptian mythology, “Ra was the king of the deities and the father of all creation. He was the patron of the sun, heaven, kingship, power, and light.” Ra was severely humbled in **Ex. 10:21-23**. **SFLB** note: “The darkening of the sun had a twofold effect. First, God demonstrated His power over the sun, the most potent religious symbol of Egypt. Second, it was a direct frontal attack on Pharaoh himself, since he was considered to be the incarnation of Amon-Ra, the sun god.” **Jesus is the only true incarnation of God and He proved it when He, and no other, raised from the dead!**

God empowered Adam with identity & behavior. We all need relationship with God & purpose on the earth.

### **Eve vs. The Evil Genius**

After “*Ishah*” (Woman) is created from the rib of “*Ish*” (Man), chapter 3 describes “The Fall” as orchestrated by the devious “*nachash*,” or *serpent*. **TPT** note on **3:1**, “*Nachash* can function as a noun, a verb, or even as an adjective. When *nachash* functions as a noun, it means “snake”; when *nachash* serves as a verb, it means “to practice divination [deception].” When *nachash* serves as an adjective, its meaning is “shining” or polished” (i.e. “shiny”). “The shining one” is the literal meaning of *Lucifer*. **Isa. 14:12** **TPT** “*Look how you have fallen from your heavenly place, O shining one (or “daystar” or “morning star (Latin “Lucifer”), son of the dawn.*” You have been cut down to the ground, you

*who conquered nations (or "laid low the people")." Lucifer, now Satan, masquerades through deception to lure believers in Christ into complacency or, worse yet, involvement in witchcraft (i.e. Harry Potter), magic, hypnotism, drug use, or false teaching, instead of faith in God's grace.*

**2 Peter** tells of false teachers who deny that Jesus Christ is the legitimate "*morning star*" (**1:19**). The Daystar or Morningstar comes before and accompanies the sun-rising. In **2 Pet. 1:19** it speaks of Christ manifesting Himself by imparting spiritual light and comfort to the soul. **Rev. 2:28 TPT** Jesus says in part, "*I will give the morning star (or "the star of the dawn") to the one who experiences victory.*" **Rev. 22:16b TPT** "*I am the bright Morning Star, both David's spiritual root & his descendant.*" Note: "As the **spiritual root** of David, Jesus is divine. As the **descendant** of David, He is human."

Why is all of this important, you may be wondering? Because knowing the truth sets us free, & Jesus is the Way, the Truth & the Life, without Whom no man comes to the Father. **And we are subject to the errors of Adam if opera-ing in the flesh.** For instance, let's look at **Gen. 3** again. After Satan seductively deceives Eve with lies & half-truths, Adam, the one with the command not to eat of the Tree that gives the knowledge of good and evil, eats knowingly. Are we eating of worldly knowledge or knowledge of God from His Word? Then God manifests Himself in the Garden. **First**, Adam & Eve hide from Him. **Secondly**, Adam expresses that the reason for his hiding was because he knew he was naked. He and Eve then start blame-shifting the responsibility, but too late, Death has already begun to spread. The serpent is cursed to crawl on its belly & eat dust. Then in **3:15** comes the prophetic announcement of a Savior including preview of the conflict between Jesus Christ, Seed of the woman, and Satan: **TPT** "*And I will place great hostility between you and the woman, and between her Seed (or "offspring") and yours. He will crush your head as you crush His heel.*" **TPT note:** "The Seed of the woman is Jesus Christ. The male carries the seed, but Jesus Christ is the Seed of the woman, for there was no human father to conceive Him. Christ has sown Himself as the Seed into our hearts. We have been born again, not by a corrupting seed, but by an Incorruptible Seed, the living and abiding Word of God (1 Pet 1:23)."

Out of His love, the Lord made covering garments to deflect their shame (**Gen. 3:21**). Then God's evident love spares man an eternal sinful state (**v. 22**) and expulsion from access to the Tree of Life, which represents Jesus Christ. **V. 24.** *"He drove then out of the garden, and placed fearsome angelic sentries east of the garden of Eden, with a turning fiery sword to guard **the way to the Tree of Life.**" This "way" is Jesus Christ.*

**TPT note:** "The cherubim embroidered into the fabric of the veil of the Holy of holies were like sentries, guarding the way to the Life within. When the veil was torn in 2 from the top to the bottom, it was as though the cherubim parted and granted access within the veil for every believer to come and feast upon the Tree of Life, Jesus Christ."

**See Ex. 26:31-35 NKJV; Mark 15:37-38; Heb. 10:19-23.**