The Fellowship Room

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All Scriptures and comments are based on the New King James Version, unless otherwise noted.

8-24-2015 Were Adam and Eve Real?

Mitochondrial DNA (mtDNA) studies in the 1980's and '90's, nicknamed the "Eve Theory," showed that there must have been a common human parent from which humans came. Since there is no genetic recombination (because males make no mtDNA contribution to the unborn), then all mtDNA comes from mothers through their daughters. So then all humans had to have come from a first mother! This establishes the Bible claim in **Genesis 3:20**:

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

Jesus said: "He who made them at the beginning 'made them male and female," (Matthew 19:4) the genders mentioned in Genesis 1:27, and said, "a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife." These words occur, historically, only once: Genesis 2:24. Scientific face proves Scripture true!

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8-25-2015 No Total Depravity

For since by man came death, by Man also came the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ all shall be made alive (1 Corinthians 15:21-22).

The "death" Adam brought into this world was physical death, as a consequence of his sin, for God had said,

"Of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die" (**Genesis 2:17**).

If "in Adam all die" means everyone inherits his sin, then "in Christ all shall be made alive" has to mean everyone is saved. If not, why not? Then why does God now command "all men everywhere to repent" (Acts 17:30)? The Bible NEVER teaches inherited sin at birth!

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8-26-2015 Women's Liberation

Eve's sin brought this consequence upon all women:

"I will greatly multiply your sorrow and your conception; In pain you shall bring forth children; Your desire shall be for your husband, And he shall rule over you" (Genesis 3:16).

Paul endorsed this in 1 Corinthians 11:8-9, 12:

For man is not from woman, but woman from man. Nor was man created for the woman, but woman for the man... For as woman came from man, even so man also comes through woman.

It was through women fulfilling their God-made person that Jesus Christ Himself came to save us, for "God sent forth His Son, born of a woman" (**Galatians 4:4**). Women are saved the same as men: faith plus baptism (**Galatians 3:26-29**). "Women's Liberation" is NOT from marriage or Motherhood, but from sin, in Jesus Christ.

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8-27-2015 Work, Work, Work

Then the LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to tend and keep it (Genesis 2:15).

There has never been a time, since the Creation, when men were not expected to work. Adam was sent from the Garden of Eden with:

Cursed is the ground for your sake; In toil you shall eat of it all the days of your life (**Genesis 3:17**).

This rule still applies, for Christ's Law says:

We commanded you this: If anyone will not work, neither shall he eat (2 Thessalonians 3:10).

Those not willing to work should starve. Solomon wrote:

For all toil and every skillful work a man is envied by his neighbor. This also is vanity (Ecclesiastes 4:4).

When envious non-workers outnumber, out-vote or overthrow the workers, the society falls.

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8-28-2015 Only God Is

By the word of the LORD the heavens were made, and all the host of them by the breath of His mouth (Psalm 33:6).

A short summary of the Creation found in **Genesis chapters 1 & 2**. Only God was "In the beginning" with power enough to bring all this into existence.

By faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that the things which are seen were not made of things which are visible (**Hebrews 11:3**).

For He spoke, and it was done; He commanded, and it stood fast (Psalm 33:9).

In **Genesis 1**, after the 10th "God said," the entire world and its organizing rules, were brought into reality. Origin and Design did NOT come through the "god of Time," a.k.a. "Evolution," but only through the living God.

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