

The Second Revelation The Story of Adam and Eve

Insert John Byron Garden of Eden painting here

Who were Adam and Eve?

Throughout the world, there are many stories of an unexplainable legendary couple named Adam and Eve. Their fame is noted in almost every culture and the artist depictions of this couple hang in museums world wide. Adam and Eve did exist. They are not folk lore, they are history.

During the 150 centuries following the collapse of Dalamatia, very little progress took place in the world. Even though the cultural, political, spiritual, and economic institutions retrograded there was slow progress in the physical development of the races. Around 38,000 years ago the local universe government decided that people on our planet were nearing the peak of biologic development and it was time to send a planetary Adam and Eve to further our biologic and spiritual evolution.

Adam and Eve were superhuman beings. They were of a personality order called Material Sons and Daughters (just as there are humans, angels, and Lanonandeks, there are Material Sons and Daughters). At some point, almost all evolutionary worlds receive a planetary Adam and Eve. The possibility and final arrival of Adam and Eve to our world was normal and fully expected. The unexpected situation was the strife torn conditions onearth.

Van and Amadon prepare the Garden of Eden

Van and his associates knew of the pending arrival of Adam and Even to our planet. Van inspired 3,000 people to work over an 87 year period to prepare a garden home for Adam and Eve. Three potential garden sites were selected but the one finally chosen was located on a narrow peninsula projecting westward from the eastern shore of the Mediterranean Sea. For many years thousands of people toiled to develop this sight into the most beautiful exhibition of botanical and horticultural grandeur our world has ever seen.

The most beautiful gardens on earth

The peninsula was magnificent. A stone wall was built across the narrowest point adjacent to the mainline. Cannels, branching from the four major rivers coming off the highland mountains, covered the country side. Abundant early morning mist kept the garden feeling so healthy and fresh. Plants of all varieties covered the fields. Flowers, seeds, nuts, medicinal herbs, fruits, cereals, grains, roots, and trees of all sorts graced the fertile land. No animals were slaughtered in the garden. Eden was a park that sang from the chatter of birds and rustled as the trees blew in the mild winds. Near the center of this floral wonder, Van replanted the Tree of Life. As the Bible described it "Then the Lord God planted a garden in Eden, to the east, and placed in the garden the man he had formed. The Lord God planted all sorts of beautiful trees there in the garden, trees producing the choicest of fruit. At the center of the garden he placed the Tree of Life". Gen. 2:8-9 Eden was the hope of the world.

Insert Picture of Tree of Life

Over eight feet tall with violet colored skin

Adam and Eve came to earth from the headquarters of 1000 planets. They had been chosen from the ranks of the many volunteers who wanted to come to Urantia. Before leaving Jerusem, they were fully trained to be effective leaders on our isolated planet. After saying good bye to family and friends, the optimistic couple headed for earth.

Adam and Eve left from the mansion worlds and were transported to the Father's temple in the center of the Garden that Van had prepared for them. The couple was rematerialized in a human form that had never appeared on earth until that time. They were magnificent race of people. They stood over eight feet tall and had glowing violet colored skin. The halo impression above Adam and Eve came from the fact that their skin color was so radiant that when they wore clothes, it appeared that their uncovered heads glowed. Adam and Eve were also vegetarians.

Although Adam and Eve had been fully briefed concerning the living conditions on our planet, they did not fully realize the loneliness and difficulties they would face on this isolated sphere. The world was such a primitive contrast to the advanced life on the mansion worlds. They spent their first days touring the garden site. They traveled by air, boarding on the gaint fondors, the now extinct friendly flying birds from that day and age. Adam surprised the residents with his extensive knowledge of the many plants and their multiple usage. Little did they know that Adam was one of the mansion world's most expert botanist.

Insert drawing of Adam and Eve riding on Fondors

The Frist Crisis and the creation legends in the Bible

The first crisis that Adam and Eve encountered came on the seventh day after their arrival when the garden dwellers insisted on viewing them as gods to be worshiped. Van immediately tried to prevent this false worship but to his astonishment they asserted he was all to modest himself. Maybe he was a god also. If not, why did he live so long and how did he know these superhumans were coming? Adam and Eve, in vigorous protest, pointed to the Father's central temple and commanded the people to go there and worship the Father of All. This is the origin of the Sabbath day tradition still observed on our world. The legend of creation in six days comes from Adam and Eve's tour of the Garden in six days. Bible editors, 30 centuries removed, attempted to bring consistency to many confusing fables by correlating the six day inspection of the Garden with the beginning of the world. The story of God making Eve from Adam's rib comes from details of the earlier days of Dalamatia when the Prince's staff of 100 were rematerialized on earth. The legends of the Gods from heaven mating with people on earth comes the fact that some of the rebellious staff from Dalamatia and the children of Adam and Eve did mate with humans. The stories of the golden age on earth comes from both Dalamatia and Eden. But such a concept of a golden age is not historically found. The world is better today than it has ever been.

Their Mission:

Adam and Eve's primary mission was to improve the biologic inheritance of the evolutionary races by building a new race of violet colored people who would eventually inter marry with the various races of the world. The divine plan called for at least one million violet colored people to be living on earth before the races should inter marring. Since Adam and Eve took in superhuman sustaining energy from the Tree of Life, they did not age. Their life expediency was indefinite thereby providing this leading couple the necessary time to accomplish their mission without having to hurry. The Adamic genetics carried wonderful musical inheritance and the violet race was remarkably disease resistant. The mental and spiritual capacity of the violet races were much higher than that of the surrounding races. A major infusion of the violet blood into the evolutionary races would, over a long course of time, dramatically uplift the genetic inheritance for all future generations. The secondary mission of Adam and Eve was to organize their garden civilization to become an integrated model for the rest of the world. They emphasized the divine plan for progression. A gradual world extension of Edenic culture was attempted but Adam discovered the majority of the inhabitants outside the Garden were not self-disciplined for these advanced ways. Ambassadors were sent from Eden to exchange with other tribes. Laws were instituted following the older codes of Dalamatia which supported the basic institutions of society. The skills of manufacturing were fostered and trade relations were developed. Schools were organized to teach facts, values, and social skills. Progress was truly being made when, for the first time since Dalamatia, women were elevated to the equal status with men. Family life was the center of this advanced civilization

The first one hundred years- progress and pain

Inside the garden, progress was slow but steady. The Adamic family was growing and garden life was basically good. But outside the garden, Adam could see very little progress. Obstacles blocked almost every attempt to advance the human condition. The tribes were primitive, warring, uncultured, uneducated, and not spiritual. Being patient was exceedingly difficult for this well intentioned couple. Caligastia, fully visable to Adam and Eve, constantly badgered them to disregard

the divine plan and take short cuts. The parents of the violet race stood adamant in rejecting his disloyal proposals but the contact added to their growing confusion.

Adam and Eve were lonely for their family and friends living on the mansion worlds. They missed their standard of living and longed for quick advancement on earth. From the mansion worlds, they had pictured the long tedious efforts to improve earth but the reality of actually doing it was almost more than they could bear.

The fall of Eden

The Nodites were a capable race of people who dated back to the rebellious times of Dalamatia. During the dark ages between Dalamatia and Eden, many of the worlds most capable leaders came from the Nodite tribes. Many of the Nodite people assisted both Van as well as Adam and Eve to build and staff the Garden.

One important leader of a Nodite tribe had become an able lieutenant to Adam and a confidant to Eve. This leader, along with his tribe, believed in Adam's work and did their best to assist in uplifting the surrounding cultures. Results were slow coming and discouraging to all involved. After five years of secret conferences between Eve and the Nodite leader, this leader convinced the well meaning but incredibly wrong Eve to join him in a plan to speed up the process. His plan was for Eve to have a child with Cano, the brilliant leader of the near-by Nodite tribe. For a brief period in time, these two honestly believed that a great new line of people could spring from the child born to Eve but fathered by Cano. Adam was not consulted about any of these plans.

The disaster of Eve, the despair of Adam

Even though Adam and Eve had been thoroughly warned not to cut corners in attempting to solve the worlds problems, Eve went forward with her plan. The day after her decision she met Cano for the first time. He was brilliant, flattering, handsome, and very enthusiastic about the plan to upgrade the Nodite tribes. Before Eve really knew what had happened, she had made love with Cano. Immediately after making love, Eve realized the gravity of her mistake. Guilt ridden and totally disillusioned, Eve faced Adam. He instantly knew something had drastically gone wrong. Eve sadly told the story of Cano to her astonished mate. Adam, unable to bear the thought of losing Eve, deliberately chose to share her fate. He sought out Laotta, the Nodite woman heading the western school in Eden and premeditatedly committed the same act.

Murder outside the Garden

News of both acts quickly spread throughout the Garden. Adam and Eve lost every semblance of control as the angry inhabitants of Eden mobbed outside of the Garden walls to where Cano and his Nodite tribe lived. The infuriated garden dwellers attacked the unsuspecting and helpless tribe, killing every man, woman, and child. The body of Cano lay among the dead, his legacy was the embryonic child growing inside of Eve. This child, soon to be named Cain, would be the constant reminder of the sad destruction of Eden.

Pathetic and completely lost, Adam wondered for thirty days without contacting Eve. Those torturously thirty long days left Eve in utter despair. Was Adam dead? Would he ever return? What was to be her fate? Would the garden continue? Adam returned to his mate. Dejected beyond words, they prepared together to face an uncertain life ahead.

Fleeing to the Second Garden

When the Nodite tribes learned of the slaughter of their people outside the Garden, they organized a war march on the Eden. Adam, repulsed by the thought of war, assembled a caravan of the Garden inhabitants and set off eastward for the pleasant river lands between the Tigris and Euphrates rivers. Today, this area remains full of stories of Eden and it is generally recognized that Mesopotamia was the home of numerous ancient civilizations.

Life in the second garden was laboriously tough. The soil was not prepared as it had been in the first garden. Even though the caravan took many seeds from the bountiful plants growing in the first Garden, subsistence was a constant struggle. Meat eating became a necessity in the second Garden. Virtually all the organization done for and during the first Garden was lost. Adam and his children sought to rebuild the civil administration, educational systems, and religious devotions. Humanity did see progress from the ill fated Adamic mission. Agriculture, craftsmanship, medicine, education, animal husbandry, and family life all moved slightly ahead. The greatly needed infusion of violet blood did uplift the races to some extent.

The fate of Adam and Eve

A great hush fell over the trauma ridden caravan as it journeyed out of Eden. Angels from the headquarters of 1000 planets stopped the caravan to hold conference with the Adamic parents. They were bringing the verdict of default to the weary travelers. The two painful consequences of default were described. First, the children of Adam and Eve were given the choice of going back with the angels or staying on earth with their parents. Over three fourths of the children left with the angelic messengers. Second, the angels informed the couple that they had been degraded to the status of human beings. They would no longer be given sustenance from the Tree of Life. They were now mere mortals of earth, not Material Sons and Daughters of the mansion worlds.

The fate of Adam and Eve could have been much worse! They were truly sorry for their mistakes. Justice and fairness demanded action, mercy demanded forgiveness. They were given life as mortals and today they are on the mansion worlds, not as Material Sons and Daughters but as ascending mortals.

After the conference, the bleak tear stained faces of Adam and Eve told the shattering story. Most of their children had left for the heavenly worlds, Eden had collapsed, their mission was aborted, Nodites were massacred, and their new civilization was now homeless. With every ounce of courage the distraught caravan headed East.

insert drawing of an Angel talking to Adam and Eve

Jesus promised Adam and Eve he will visit earth

Adam and Eve lived for over 500 years. They had many children in the second garden, seeking to leave as much of the violet life plasm as possible. Knowing that they had been forgiven for their drastic mistake, they were encouraged enough to reconstruct a life for their new race.

Before they died, Adam and Eve received a personal message from Michael (our Sovereign leader from the headquarters of ten million worlds - know here as Jesus and the Arch Angel Michael). Michael expressed friendship and comfort to the couple. He recognized that in their souls they desired to be loyal to the Heavenly Father. Their mistake was of the mind, not of the heart. Michael also mentioned that he would be coming to Urantia at some future date. This mysterious message filled Adam and Eve with great hope and joy. Was it possible that on the world of their failure and sorrow Michael would someday come? What did he mean? Would it be possible that Michael would someday appear as a babe of the earth? Could this mean that this rebellion torn world would be graced by the Sovereign! History tells the rest of the story, 37,000 years later Michael appeared on earth as Jesus of Nazareth.

Cain and Abel

Cain was the son of Cano and Eve. Abel was the first born son of Adam and Eve in the second Garden. As the two boys grew up, Cain was Abel's bitter reminder of the folly and he unjustly hated Cain for it. One day after years of constant ridiculing, the belligerent Cain killed his brother. Cain was banished from the second Garden. As the Bible described it "Cain went out from the presence of the Lord and settled in the land of Nod, east of Eden".

Insert bible drawing of Cain killing Abel

Lessons from Eden

There are many lessons to learn from the tragedy of Eden. Some of the most obvious are: A. Trust in the divine plan, it is always the right way to do things; B. Patience must be exerted in conducting world affairs. People change their habits slowly. Over rapid growth will result in failure just as

certain as stagnation will; C. The default of Adam and Eve left us without the full benefit of their superior genetic traits. Will must cure diseases and improve our genetics without counting on the violet blood to do it; D. Forgiveness is always given to the sincere of heart. But forgiveness will not obliterate the natural effects of error. We reap what we sow.

The light of life begins to dim

The generations of children that originated with Adam and Eve eventually mixed with various tribes throughout the world. The great civilization in Mesopotamia eventually was over run by hordes of barbaric tribes. In the long intervening ages between the second and the third revelation, humanity took one step forward and at least one step backward. Some aspects of society advanced while the spiritual light of life began to dim. Four thousand years ago the spiritual light of life was beginning to go out on our world. An unparalleled dark age was upon us.

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