

## ~EVE (268)

[Living One, apparently related to the Hebrew verb *cha-yah'*, live]

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- The first woman and the last reported of God's earthly creative works Yehowah the Creator knew that it was not good for the man to continue by himself.
- However, before proceeding to create the woman, God brought various beasts of the earth and flying creatures to the man. Adam named these but found no helper among them. It was then that Yehowah had a deep sleep fall upon Adam, removed a rib from his side, and after having closed up the flesh, built the rib that he had taken from the man into a woman.
- No doubt knowing by direct revelation from God his Creator and Father how the woman came into existence, Adam was pleased to accept her as his wife, saying; This is at last bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh, even as was apparent to his very senses. As his complement Adam called his wife '*ish-shah*' woman, or, literally, female man, because from man this one was taken.
- And Yehowah God went on to say; It is not good for the man to continue by himself. I am going to make a helper for him, as a complement of him. ([Genesis 2:18](#))
- Now Yehowah God was forming from the ground every wild beast of the field and every flying creature of the heavens, and he began bringing them to the man to see what he would call each one, and whatever the man would call it, each living soul, that was its name. ([Genesis 2:19](#))
- So the man was calling the names of all the domestic animals and of the flying creatures of the heavens and of every wild beast of the field, but for man there was found no helper as a complement of him. ([Genesis 2:20](#))
- Hence Yehowah God had a deep sleep fall upon the man and, while he was sleeping, he took one of his ribs and then closed up the flesh over its place. ([Genesis 2:21](#))

- **And Yehowah God proceeded to build the rib that he had taken from the man into a woman and to bring her to the man. (Genesis 2:22)**
- **Then the man said; This is at last bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh. This one will be called Woman, because from man this one was taken. (Genesis 2:23)**
- **Thereupon God pronounced his fatherly blessing upon both of them; Be fruitful and become many and fill the earth and subdue it. They were also to have the animal creation in subjection.**
- **Further, God blessed them and God said to them; Be fruitful and become many and fill the earth and subdue it, and have in subjection the fish of the sea and the flying creatures of the heavens and **every** living creature that is moving upon the earth. (Genesis 1:28)**
- **As a work of God's hands, the woman was perfectly suited for being a complement to her husband Adam and also being a mother.**

## •• **Deception And Disobedience**

- **Then came a day when the woman, while not in the company of her husband, found herself near the tree of the knowledge of good and bad. There a cautious, lowly serpent, used as a visible mouthpiece by an invisible spirit, in seeming innocence asked;**
- **Is it really so that God said you must not eat from **every** tree of the garden? The woman replied correctly, doubtless having been instructed accordingly by her husbandly head, who was one flesh with her.**
- **But when the serpent contradicted God and stated that violating God's command would result in being like God, knowing good and bad, the woman began to look upon the tree from a different viewpoint. Why, the tree was good for food and, something to be longed for to the eyes, yes, the tree was desirable to look upon. Moreover, the serpent had said she would be like God if she ate.**
- **Because **every**thing in the world, the desire of the flesh and the desire of the eyes and the showy display of one's means of life, does not originate with the Father, but originates with the world.**

**(1 John 2:16)**

- **Completely deceived by the serpent and with a strong desire for the prospects tied up with eating the forbidden fruit, she became a transgressor of God's Law.**
- **Also, Adam was not deceived, but the woman was thoroughly deceived and came to be in transgression. (1 Timothy 2:14)**
- **As such, she now approached her husband and induced him to join her in disobedience to God. Adam listened to his wife's voice.**
- **Now the serpent proved to be the most cautious of all the wild beasts of the field that Yehowah God had made. So it began to say to the woman; Is it really so that God said you must not eat from **every** tree of the garden? (Genesis 3:1)**
- **At this the woman said to the serpent; Of the fruit of the trees of the garden we may eat. (Genesis 3:2)**
- **But as for eating of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, God has said; You must not eat from it, no, you must not touch it that you do not die. (Genesis 3:3)**
- **At this the serpent said to the woman; You positively will not die. (Genesis 3:4)**
- **For God knows that in the very day of your eating from it your eyes are bound to be opened and you are bound to be like God, knowing good and bad. (Genesis 3:5)**
- **Consequently the woman saw that the tree was good for food and that it was something to be longed for to the eyes, yes, the tree was desirable to look upon. So she began taking of its fruit and eating it. Afterward she gave some also to her husband when with her and he began eating it. (Genesis 3:6)**
- **The immediate effect of their transgression was shame. Hence they used fig leaves to make loin coverings for themselves. Both Adam and his wife went into hiding in between the trees of the garden when they heard the voice of Yehowah.**
- **Upon being directly questioned by God as to what she had done, the woman stated that she had eaten because of being deceived by the**

**serpent. In pronouncing sentence upon her, Yehowah indicated that pregnancy and the giving of birth to offspring would be attended by increased pain, she would crave for her husband, and he would dominate her.**

- **Then the eyes of both of them became opened and they began to realize that they were naked. Hence they sewed fig leaves together and made loin coverings for themselves. ([Genesis 3:7](#))**
- **Later they heard the voice of Yehowah God walking in the garden about the breezy part of the day, and the man and his wife went into hiding from the face of Yehowah God in between the trees of the garden. ([Genesis 3:8](#))**
- **And Yehowah God kept calling to the man and saying to him; Where are you? ([Genesis 3:9](#))**
- **Finally he said; Your voice I heard in the garden, but I was afraid because I was naked and so I hid myself. ([Genesis 3:10](#))**
- **At that he said; Who told you that you were naked? From the tree from which I commanded you not to eat have you eaten? ([Genesis 3:11](#))**
- **And the man went on to say; The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree and so I ate. ([Genesis 3:12](#))**
- **With that Yehowah God said to the woman; What is this you have done? To this the woman replied; The serpent, it deceived me and so I ate. ([Genesis 3:13](#))**
- **To the woman he said; I shall greatly increase the pain of your pregnancy, in birth pangs you will bring forth children, and your craving will be for your husband, and he will dominate you. ([Genesis 3:16](#))**
- **After their violation of God's law, Adam is reported to have named his wife **Eve**, because she had to become the mother of everyone living.**
- **After this Adam called his wife's name **Eve**, because she had to become the mother of everyone living. ([Genesis 3:20](#))**

- Before driving Adam and **Eve** out of the garden of Eden to face the hardships of a cursed ground, Yehowah extended undeserved kindness to them by providing both of them with long garments of skin.
- And Yehowah God proceeded to make long garments of skin for Adam and for his wife and to clothe them. ([Genesis 3:21](#))

### • Was Eve Correct By Saying, With The Aid Of Yehowah

- At the birth of her first son Cain, outside Paradise, **Eve** exclaimed; I have produced a man with the aid of Yehowah.
- Now Adam had intercourse with **Eve** his wife and she became pregnant. In time she gave birth to Cain and said; I have produced a man with the aid of Yehowah. ([Genesis 4:1](#))
- **Eve** is the first one reported to have used God's name, indicating that the name Yehowah was known to the very first human's. Later she gave birth to Abel as well as to other sons and daughters. When Adam was 130 years old, Eve gave birth to a son whom she called Seth, saying,
- God has appointed another seed in place of Abel, because Cain killed him. She could properly express herself as she did at the births of both Cain and Seth, since God had given her and Adam their reproductive powers, and because of God's unmerited kindness in not putting her to death immediately when she transgressed His command, she had been able to give birth. With the birth of Seth the Genesis record concerning Eve comes to a close.
- And Adam proceeded to have intercourse again with his wife and so she gave birth to a son and called his name Seth, because, as she said; God has appointed another seed in place of Abel, because Cain killed him. ([Genesis 4:25](#))
- And Adam lived on for a hundred and thirty years. Then he became father to a son in his likeness, in his image, and called his name Seth. ([Genesis 5:3](#))
- And the days of Adam after his fathering Seth came to be eight hundred years. Meanwhile he became father to sons and daughters. ([Genesis 5:4](#))

## **.. An Actual Personage**

- That **Eve** actually lived and was not a fictional character is testified to by Christ Jesus himself. In being questioned by the Pharisees concerning divorce, Jesus directed attention to the Genesis account with reference to the creation of male and female.
- And Pharisees came up to him, intent on tempting him and saying; Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife on **every** sort of ground? (**Matthew 19:3**)
- In reply he said; Did you not read that he who created them from the beginning made them male and female. (**Matthew 19:4**)
- And said; For this reason a man will leave his father and his mother and will stick to his wife, and the two will be one flesh? (**Matthew 19:5**)
- So that they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore, what God has yoked together let no man put apart. (**Matthew 19:6**)
- Additionally, there are Paul's words to the Corinthians, expressing fear that their minds might be corrupted somehow, as the serpent seduced **Eve** by its cunning.
- But I am afraid that somehow, as the serpent seduced **Eve** by its cunning, your minds might be corrupted away from the sincerity and the chastity that are due the Christ. (**2 Corinthians 11:3**)
- Then, in discussing woman's proper place in the Christian congregation, Paul presents as a reason for not permitting a woman to teach, or to exercise authority over a man, the fact that Adam was formed first, and he was not deceived, but the woman was thoroughly deceived and came to be in transgression.
- I do not permit a woman to teach, or to exercise authority over a man, but to be in silence. (**1 Timothy 2:12**)
- For Adam was formed first, then **Eve**. (**1 Timothy 2:13**)
- Also, Adam was not deceived, but the woman was thoroughly deceived and came to be in transgression. (**1 Timothy 2:14**)