

October 2, 2016 - Gen. 2:4-3:21 - Creation of Adam and Eve

Psalm 2

Haftorah – Isaiah 51:6-16

Isaiah 40:26 – 41:4

The word “toledot” - means generation, genealogy.
An account of what “sprang from”, what “became of”

Usually found at the beginning of a new scroll or section of the text.

Genesis 2:7 - God formed Adam (adamah = mankind) from the dust of the ground.

Talmud - the dirt was taken from every part of the earth as well as from the location of future Holy of Holies in the Temple.

Breath of life - A living soul (being)

The Targum of nkelos says he became “a speaking spirit.”

See PPsalm 8 - “What is man...” (“enosh” here instead of “adamah”)

Psalm 8:2 - from the mouths of children and nursing babies you have ordained praise (strength)

:5 - made a little lower than the angels (gods = elohim, heavenly being) The LXX translated it as “angels”

Hebrews 2:7 _ refers to Jesus

Talking about the image of God (**Genesis 1:26**)

Hebrews 2:5-18

Psalm 8 was not just talking about humanity in general, but looked forward to the Last Adam, Jesus.

Eve taken from Adam’s rib= “side” LXX translates it in Greek “pleura”

Genesis 2:21-23 - Eve was taken from Adam’s side, just as the church/the Bride sprang from his shed blood, specifically from the lance wound in his side.

The side wound only testified that he was dead (his death had already occurred). In the same way, the church testifies and verifies his death and resurrection
(**John 19:33-35**)

[blood and water- also a picture of birth]

Zechariah 12:10 - “They shall look on the one they have pierced” Related to the

“fountain for sin and uncleanness” flowing from Jerusalem and the Temple.

Tertullian - “If Adam was a figure of Christ, the sleep of Adam was the death of Christ, who was to fall asleep in death; that in the injury of his side might be figured the church, the mother of all living.” So also Chrysostom and other father of the church.

! Corinthians 15:45-49 - More comparison of the first and last Adam.

John 20:15 - Mary mistakes Jesus for a gardener. Why?

Because Adam was placed in the Garden of Eden to dress and keep it. Jesus is the Last Adam.

God’s opening of Adam’s side has resulted in an issue of blood in creating Eve. Ada, was put in a “death-like” sleep (tardemah)

Jesus was referred to as the Temple - **John 2:19-21**

Ezekiel 47 - In the eschatological Temple. a trickle of water flows to become a great river that heals the nations. - Depicting the creation and growth of the church and its message of salvation.
(probably all a type of Eden)

The Temple itself on Passover spilled the blood of 250,000 lambs and water used in purifications out of its drainage system into the Kidron Valley.

Eve was not a separate creation from Adam (It’s not recorded that God breathed the breath of life into her)

She was present in Adam. So was the Bride present in Christ.

Ephesians 1:4-5 - “For he chose us in him before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight. In love he predestinated us to be as his sons through Jesus Christ.”