

Chapter Twenty-Three

Let Us Go Over the Hill to Enter the Original Garden

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Genesis 1:28, 3:6-24

When we read Genesis 1:28 and Genesis from 3:6 through to the end of the chapter, we come to understand that God first blessed humans, but later after their fall, He stood in the position of a judge. The Bible verses describe Adam and Eve before the fall and their eviction from the Garden of Eden with God's curse after the fall. This happened to Adam and Eve, but because they are human ancestors in the position of having dominion over all things, they are not the only ones who were cursed through the judgment, but the entire creation was also affected by it.

Due to the fall of man, God's joy was transformed into sadness, and their hope into despair, and thus both Heaven and earth came to experience grievance and lamentation. We should never forget that the heart of Adam and Eve at the time of the fall has been clearly transmitted even to us.

The heart of Adam when he was blessed by God before the creation, and his heart at the time of eviction by the Creator, God after the fall, was in total contrast, after God lost all things. Thus Adam and Eve could not stand before God and all things, and could not be a center from any direction.

We in the last days should remember that we are destined to be liberated from such a historical relationship of tragedy (with God). The sin committed by Adam has been transmitted to us in the form that looks like a principle, transcending time and space.

Then you should become a person, who can manifest the will of heavenly nature, with the value of the entire universe. By so doing, the value of yourself should be identical with the value of heavenly nature. Such value should be restored in the center of the universe, despite any historical obstacles. Otherwise, the ideal of one person, and the original garden created by God, naturally cannot be manifested through me.

Remember that the sorrow brought to the Garden of Eden affected every creation of the universe until the present. Consequently, what is more important than anything is myself. You may think that I belong only to a family or a tribe, but I am not limited to those levels alone. I am in the position of a weight that balances the weight of the ideal of hope. God who is watching me doing this is universal and historical.

When the hope of God is fulfilled, all humankind would like to be related to me. When we realize something so amazing as this, we can fulfill their hope through me, and should be able to demonstrate the beauty of the original mind along with them before God. However, what is important is where humans can find such value. To find this, what should we do? You should examine the stand-point of Adam and Eve while prior to the fall and after the fall. You should be able to realize that God's hope is to personally call them "My children!"

Then, what is the fall? It is to separate a relationship between God and humans as a parent and children, that can never be separated, no matter what. Adam and Eve created by God should have first called Him "Father!", but by first calling Satan "Father!" instead, this became the original source of historical grief. Thus, the betrayal of Adam and Eve through their faithlessness in God was planted as the seed of universal grievance.

Then what will happen in the last days? In the last days, the breakdown in the relationship of parents and children will occur. Because the first human ancestors betrayed God, children of their descendants from the lineage will also challenge (and betray) their parents. When the time comes, you should find the True Parents whom you cannot betray no matter what. The environment in which you live was not established through the relationships based on trust. Thus, the phenomena of mistrust will be prevalent in the environment.

Relationships between parents and children will be as such, and so will there be such a tendency in the relationships with their relatives. Thus if various phenomena of rejections that can fundamentally destroy even the will (of God) pursued by humans occur here and there, you should realize that is the time of the last days. Even if we witness to such phenomena happening in our reality, we should never be a part of it.

Adam and Eve fell because they listened to the words of Satan, not God's. Thus (in the last days), there will be God's words, but at the same time, Satan's words that were not expected will appear. Therefore, on earth, there will be two kinds of words: words of the truth and words of lies. They will be directly influencing your daily life, wherever you are, whatever you do.

Then what should we do under the circumstances? By observing the words spoken through the True Father whom I am looking forward to seeing, and God whom I have faith in, you should establish the words as the standard of your life, your ideas, and your struggles. Otherwise, you will not be able to receive a blessing that allows you to have dominion over the creation in your earthly life. Today, many people lost their center. Although words centered on a certain ideology or on the individuals' ideology exist, people who are desperate to fight at the risk of their life, without changing their hearts to keep the words of God as their eternal standard, are gradually disappearing. On the other hand, people who express their selfcentered views are increasing more.

According to the Bible, the one who tempted Eve in the Garden of Eden was a serpent with two tongues. This symbolizes a being who speaks two different things with one tongue. Therefore, the

person who carries the words of the heavenly principles should establish a clear position such as "yes" or "no," and take responsibility to protect the words at any price.

You should not stand in the wishy-washy position, which does not belong either this or that, or right or left. If you stand in an indecisive position, without knowing where you belong to, you will be even more confused, often causing you more troubles at the end.

Adam and Eve lost their body, faith, and the word of God. At the same time, they also lost the substantial being. However, we restored faith and words, and what remains to be done is solely to restore the substantial being. The time to restore the substantial being is the so called "day of the second advent," for which we wish. We have a hill to climb over to reach the standard of the restored substantial being. The question is whether, we became a substantial being in whom God can dwell and through whom He can operate.

God directly spoke to Adam and related to him as His partner, based upon his condition of faith, but in the future, Adam will find the substantial being. Thus my partner, my own substantial being should be found through the unity of mind and body. To do this, however, it is required to go through the principle of creation. Originally, humans should have been one in heart with God, their mind should have been one with their body, and their body should have been in relationship to all things. This is a standard of true subject-object relationship. As long as we were born as humans, because we were to be perfected through this standard of true subject-object relationship, we should find thoughts pursued by the mind, should find one point of unity through which the mind is followed by the body, and leave a purpose on earth that both mind and body pursue together.

You in the process of the restoration should have your mind and body, which are in conflict with each other, united. By so doing, if you have faith in God, and are in the position of Adam and Eve before the fall, who could relate to the center of heaven, your mind should be united with your body, and your body can be united with your mind. When you stand in that position, you will also be able to pioneer a living environment where you can be united with the creation. In the last days, what mission will be endowed to you? You are responsible for inheriting the historical heavenly value that has been preparing to restore the substantial being with a value of the entire universe.

Depending upon whether or not you fulfill the mission, it will be determined whether you will be given authority to become a leader on this earth, and depending upon whether the authority was given to you, it will be determined whether the heavenly character will be formed. You should know this. That is the reason the dispensation of restoration started from the tabernacle, and through the holy temple, comes to the substantial being.

Because Jesus Christ came as such a man of character, God has been leading the dispensation centered on him, and today, we are leading a life of faith, following him. Thus if humans take after Christ, the sinful history will be reversed. We are now in the process of going to the final stage of the battle.

Please stand yourself before the entire creation, considering yourself to be the one who is responsible for the dispensation of restoration. If there are 1,000 objects, ask yourself whether you are qualified to be a master of those objects, and if there are 10,000 objects, ask yourself whether you are qualified to be a master of those objects. This is the question.

The hope of the creation is nothing more but to receive the day of glory when they can come forth to God through true humans. If you want to be a substantial being in whom God can dwell, you should feel responsible for fulfilling the mission wherever you go, whatever environment you are in. Do you live with such a sense of responsibility? "This is something that I need to take care of, and that is another one. There is nothing that has nothing to do with me. Father, if I cannot finish the jobs, please allow me to do it even after my death." Appealing to God as such, we should live with an attitude willing to be responsible for everything.

You should realize that all things desire to have a relationship with you and enjoy living with you. You should also feel, with rage, responsible for fighting Satan, who is making accusations against humankind before God and causing grief to you. Unless you become children who can declare to God: "Father! My beloved Father, I will fight on your behalf. I will take revenge on your enemy. I will restore what you have lost. To recover your will, please use us as you wish," God's will of restoring the substantial holy temple will not be fulfilled. Therefore, to achieve the Kingdom of Heaven on earth, you should become the kind of person who can conform to heavenly principles whatever your given circumstances.

By reforming yourself to live a life that separates good from evil, as an eternal and unchanging warrior in victory, you can be proud of being a son or daughter of Heavenly Father. When you do this, by going over the hill of judgment in the last days, you will understand that you can enter the restored ideal Garden of Eden and perfect yourself as a truthful being.