A DAY IN THE LIFE OF ADAM

"So God created man" - Genesis 1:27

GOD'S ORIGINAL DESIGN

Scripture first mentions man in Genesis 1:26, revealing God's:

- Design inspiration "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness."
- Purpose "Let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth". Genesis 1:28 adds God's command; to, "Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth."

Together these revelations are breath-taking in their scope and intent. The account of God breathing His breath into man to initiate life adds to the elevated position of man in God's creation.

ADAM'S LIFE

Genesis 2:19 gives the man's name as Adam. God provided for all Adam's needs as this first man pursued his purpose in the garden God planted for him. We can only imagine the blessings Adam enjoyed as a regular part of his life during this time. He was free to enjoy all he had been gifted with the only proviso to not partake of the fruit of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

THAT TERRIBLE DAY

Then he lost it all. The serpent came to call. He visited Adam's wife, Eve, with a story designed to plant doubt in her mind about God, His intentions, and trustworthiness. He presented an alternative theory enduing God with selfish motives and suspect behavior. She was clearly enchanted and saw things from the serpent's point of view. She partook of the fruit. She then gave it to her husband, who also partook, though deception was not the cause. Everything changed instantly. They both instinctually knew they were naked and worked to cover themselves. Then they heard the voice of God, no doubt a sound they had previously welcomed, who revealed the cost of their actions. The blame-shifting did not alter their bleak future. It was a horrible day for them, from living soul to fallen man. The man God had created was now cast from His paradise to work, sweat and await death. And that fate was passed on to all men.

ANOTHER DAY

As previously noted, this was far from God's original plan. He was not pleased with this state of affairs, so He moved to provide a way to change this reality. Ultimately that required sending someone, I Corinthians 15:45 calls the second man, Adam. That second Adam was Jesus, the Son of God, who did what the first man, Adam, failed to do. He kept God's law perfectly and offered Himself full payment for all man's sins. To access this gift of salvation He brought, all He asks is that we believe what God says. And isn't that really what Adam failed to do? He failed to believe what God said. Believe today, Child of God. It might be the start of a blessed today.