Crashing with Adam

Part Two

(Revving the Engine)

Meditating on the Bible

Colossians 1:12-17

Giving thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light: Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son:

In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins:

Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature:

For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him: And he is before all things, and by him all things consist.

The Premier Human Relationship--Adam and Eve--was not set in existence as by some accident, or, even, an arbitrary incident. The Relationship did not spring fresh from nothingness . . . though; from our present perspective, we may assume that it must have. In the present day, we account this relationship's origin as coming from the god named, evolution. But, the god named, evolution, has its origin in its maker. We submit that; evolution's maker is The Maker--or, more succinctly: God. We will use this designation, God, along with this other one: the LORD. This is, for us, our base assumption. It is an assumption that has no possibility of proof; for, it operates in this other construct of reality.

Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. For by it the elders obtained a good report. Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear.

By faith Abel offered unto God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain, by which he obtained witness that he was righteous, God testifying of his gifts: and by it he being dead yet speaketh.

By faith Enoch was translated that he should not see death; and was not found, because God had translated him: for before his translation he had this testimony, that he pleased God.

But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently

seek him.

(Hebrews 11:1-6)

We attribute to God, the attribute of Personality; wherefore, we indicate that, God will commune with us. Obviously, this communion cannot be subject to our terms. Instead, this communion is orchestrated by God Itself. By the way: because we will rely on the Bible; therefore, the preceding neutral reference to God is the only gender neutral personal specification that we will apply to God, as we continue sharing our image of crashing with Adam. In respect for the Bible, and to make it personal; we will refer to God in the masculine. This is in keeping with this representation of His Self that is embedded in the following piece of the LORD'S communion with Israel.

A son honoureth his father, and a servant his master: if then I be a father, where is mine honour? and if I be a master, where is my fear? saith the LORD of hosts unto you, O priests, that despise my name.

And ye say, Wherein have we despised thy name?

Ye offer polluted bread upon mine altar; and ye say, Wherein have we polluted thee?

In that ye say, The table of the LORD is contemptible.

And if ye offer the blind for sacrifice, is it not evil? and if ye offer the lame and sick, is it not evil? offer it now unto thy governor; will he be pleased with thee, or accept thy person? saith the LORD of hosts.

And now, I pray you, beseech God that he will be gracious unto us: this hath been by your means: will he regard your persons? saith the LORD of hosts.

(Malachi 1:6-9)

In that designation of God's "Gender," we are following in the pattern of worship that was instilled in God's peculiar treasure, Israel. Here is an associated extract of the teaching of Moses, the chief assistant to God, as in the formation of the imprint of Israel on history.

Give ear, O ye heavens, and I will speak; and hear, O earth, the words of my mouth. My doctrine shall drop as the rain, my speech shall distil as the dew, as the small rain upon the tender herb, and as the showers upon the grass: Because I will publish the name of the LORD: ascribe ye greatness unto our God. He is the Rock, his work is perfect: for all his ways are judgment: a God of truth and without iniquity, just and right is he.

They have corrupted themselves, their spot is not the spot of his children: they are a perverse and crooked generation. Do ye thus requite

the LORD, O foolish people and unwise? is not he thy father that hath bought thee? hath he not made thee, and established thee? (Deuteronomy 32:1-6)

Moreover, in respect to the God of the Bible, we say that; God has initiated communion with us, as in this fashion.

Wash you, make you clean; put away the evil of your doings from before mine eyes; cease to do evil; Learn to do well; seek judgment, relieve the oppressed, judge the fatherless, plead for the widow. Come now, and let us reason together, saith the LORD: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool.

If ye be willing and obedient, ye shall eat the good of the land: But if ye refuse and rebel, ye shall be devoured with the sword: for the mouth of the LORD hath spoken it.

(Isaiah 1:16-20)

So, let us search for the first such interaction with us; specifically, with Adam. In that matter, I think that; this, below, is the first such interaction of communion. I think that way because; I have faith in this portion of the record of man's genesis that is in the Bible.

And the LORD God took the man, and put him into the garden of Eden to dress it and to keep it. And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat: But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die.

(Genesis 2:15-17)

In the Bible, there is the following, prior reference to a type of interaction of God with mankind, but it does not seem to be communal.

And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.

So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.

(Genesis 1:26-27)

This prior, generally neutral, form of interaction with the genesis of mankind is the one that is acceptable to most of the physical sciences. It is acceptable to science because; it can be accomplished by evolution, alone. But, we need the other form of

interaction, as with Adam. We need communion because; we need to be able to invoke this most necessary process: discovery.

Discovery is the process wherein, we can advance these words toward God: What are those things? This is the greater portion of our communion with God. Indeed, that is the substance of a silent form of communion, as done by all things, as with God. Let us review some of the silent communion that occurred at the Beginning.

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In the Beginning, there was a thing known as, void; which thing, on behalf of the earth, silently petitioned God. The void reached out, to know; what is missing? In answer to that question, this occurred.

In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth. And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.

(Genesis 1:1-2)

Then, reality itself saw that movement by God, and it asked; 'What is this?" At that time, reality received an answer . . . but, the answer to reality did not reach us until we intercepted it, here.

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made. In him was life; and the life was the light of men.

And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not.

(John 1:1-5)

As mankind was being *imagined*, in the Heart of God; existence knew that, there would be many questions that mankind needed to ask. Wherefore God started setting answers in existence, in the pre-time. This is the sort of thing that a father does, in that time during which the child is forming in the womb. This is what the Father God did, as setting the pattern for all others who would bear the responsibility of being a father. God did this, in the time when we, the members of mankind, were being formed in the womb of Potentiality. The Psalmist gives us an exquisite portrayal of that kind of anticipatory preparation.

I will praise thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: marvellous are thy works; and that my soul knoweth right well. My substance was not hid from thee, when I was made in secret, and curiously wrought in the lowest parts of the earth. Thine eyes did see my substance, yet being unperfect; and in thy book all my members were written, which in continuance were

fashioned, when as yet there was none of them. (Psalm 139:14-16)

And, when the preparation was full (note that, we did not use the word, complete); then, the fully formed child of mankind was born . . . *And they were both naked, the man and his wife, and were not ashamed.* (Genesis 2:25)

We did not use the word, complete, because; there was a significant, "What is this," which was a part of the completion of mankind. That significant question was presented, here.

And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat.

(Genesis 3:6)

Let us, for now, bypass the attributing of a negative character to this behavior. Instead, let us acknowledge that; today, we know that, this portion of completion assists us in further refining the question; "What is this?" We will also participate in that refinement, in the following fashion . . .

And the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they were naked:

. . .

(Genesis 3:7a)

Yes, there is a quieter method that we could have used; as is indicated, here.

My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations; Knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience. But let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing. If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him. But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed. For let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord. A double minded man is unstable in all his ways.

(James 1:2-8)

However, we must accept this: in the way it was done, also accomplished the end result of, giving us wisdom. This gift of God goes a long way toward framing our communion with the LORD God. Among the places which are along that way is this one.

*I wisdom dwell with prudence, and find out knowledge of witty inventions.* 

The fear of the LORD is to hate evil: pride, and arrogancy, and the evil way, and the froward mouth, do I hate. Counsel is mine, and sound wisdom: I am understanding; I have strength.

By me kings reign, and princes decree justice.

By me princes rule, and nobles, even all the judges of the earth.

I love them that love me; and those that seek me early shall find me.

Riches and honour are with me; yea, durable riches and righteousness. My fruit is better than gold, yea, than fine gold; and my revenue than choice silver.

I lead in the way of righteousness, in the midst of the paths of judgment: That I may cause those that love me to inherit substance; and I will fill their treasures.

(Proverbs 8:12-21)

In wisdom, our world revs up. But; our functioning in wisdom is really a simple matter, if one looks at the first introduction of wisdom. In the introduction of wisdom, it pushed us to a silent, mental decision about clothes . . . and they sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves aprons. (Genesis 3:7b)

This is more than just; the statement about either, protection from the elements, or, mankind's vanity. Surely, this is the basic question that precedes the completion of all enterprises. For a corporation, for instance; it is the question of: What motivational clothes will we wear--our charter. For religion, it is of the same construction; such as, it being a covering for the behaviors that define our attempt at communion with God. Here is a relevant example.

And unto the angel of the church of the Laodiceans write; These things saith the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of the creation of God; I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot: I would thou wert cold or hot. So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of my mouth.

Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked: I counsel thee to buy of me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich; and white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed, and that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear; and anoint thine eyes with eyesalve, that thou mayest see.

As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent.

(Revelation 3:14-19)

As we honor this principle of consideration of our "clothes"; thereby, our engine of communion will increase in its revolution of outreach for God. This increase in

revolution will cycle us through times such as this one.

Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might. Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places. Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.

Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness; And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace; Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked. And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God: Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints; And for me, that utterance may be given unto me, that I may open my mouth boldly, to make known the mystery of the gospel,

(Ephesians 6:10-19)

But, we needed Adam to be the one to make the start for us . . . which, he did, here.

And they heard the voice of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day: and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God amongst the trees of the garden. And the LORD God called unto Adam, and said unto him, Where art thou?

And he said, I heard thy voice in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself.

(Genesis 3:8-10)

Surely, you know that; God was not uninformed about what had happened. Surely, you know that; that was a courtesy question, as from the LORD. It was a courtesy question that is of the same sort as these ones.

And he said,

Who told thee that thou wast naked? Hast thou eaten of the tree, whereof I commanded thee that thou shouldest not eat?

(Genesis 3:11)

The purpose of that questioning was this: to bring our First Human Family to the point of the realization that, there are many more "What is this" questions. Moreover, all these questions will require a continuation of communion with God. This communion is

necessary because; in the final completion of that certain phase of our life, we need God's Craftsmanship. This Craftsmanship is what makes the appropriate clothes, for our condition. The LORD demonstrated that strength of His communion, thusly . . .

Unto Adam also and to his wife did the LORD God make coats of skins, and clothed them.

(Genesis 3:21)

This is not a one-time thing, as just for the times of nakedness in life. We also need the proper clothes when we are about to interview for a new assignment, in life. At such times, the clothes consist of the LORD'S help. Please, review this request for such clothing.

A Song of degrees.

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help. My help cometh from the LORD, which made heaven and earth. He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: he that keepeth thee will not slumber. Behold, he that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep.

(Psalm 121:1-4)

No, you will not be able to look to your fellow man, for the consistency that is required as we pass across the timeline of the existence of humankind. Due to my limited lifespan, I know of this limitation of our earthly communion; therefore, I do not ask anyone to look to me for stasis, as against things that might interrupt ones forward travel, in the world. I am content to let God be the One THAT holds that position; excluding all others. This is a lesson that came to me, while I was crashing with Adam. In that time, I saw Adam and Eve endure great stress; such as, this one.

Unto the woman he said, I will greatly multiply thy sorrow and thy conception; in sorrow thou shalt bring forth children;

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(Genesis 3:16...)

In that day of visitation, I learned this: communion with the LORD must be a constant part of our life. I saw that operating in the Premier Human Relationship; in that, while the couple endured much stress, they were still faithful in performing God's command, as set forth here.

And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth.

(Genesis 1:28)

Specifically, here is that fulfillment.

And Adam knew Eve his wife; and she conceived, and bare Cain, and said, I have gotten a man from the LORD.

(Genesis 4:1)

My **Grand** parents taught me how to keep the engine of communion, as with the LORD, revving. From that point, on; I knew that, this is for ever useful for me (and, for you, too), regardless of the distance that is traveled to receive it . . .

My son, forget not my law; but let thine heart keep my commandments: For length of days, and long life, and peace, shall they add to thee.

Let not mercy and truth forsake thee: bind them about thy neck; write them upon the table of thine heart: So shalt thou find favour and good understanding in the sight of God and man.

Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths. Be not wise in thine own eyes: fear the LORD, and depart from evil. It shall be health to thy navel, and marrow to thy bones.

(Proverbs 3:1-8)

Next In Crashing with Adam

(Setting a Pace)