

# FIRST AND WOMAN: ADAM & EVE

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Starting today, for the next few weeks, I am going to be writing about characters and events of the Bible. These articles will be about men and women that we read about in our Bible, and from time to time, we will also discuss certain events in their lives. My hope is that these articles will encourage us to learn from the lives and times of those of the past.

What better place to begin than in the beginning; the start of the human race with Adam and Eve. This should be of interest to us since it is the beginning of the human race.

"So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them "{Genesis 1:27} God took man from the dust of ground and created Eve from a rib from Adam. {Genesis 2:7,21,22}

The first thing we notice is the "perfect world" that God placed them in. "Then God saw everything that He had made, and indeed it was very good ... "{Gen.1:31} He also gave them all these things for their well being on earth. " ... See, I have given you every herb that yields seed which is on the face of all the earth, and every tree whose fruit yields seed; to you it shall be for food. Also, to every beast of the earth, to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, in which there is life, I have given every green herb for food ... "{Genesis 1:29,30} Man was given dominion over all of His creation. "Then God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth."{Genesis 1:28}

I wonder if you have ever considered, when you read this account, how God created all things for the welfare of mankind upon the earth. All things were created to help mankind live, flourish, and give him total happiness while he exists on this earth. Think of it, a perfect world – all things at your fingertips. Add to this, the fact that they had fellowship with God and total access to Him. No stress, no anxiety, no worries, and all his needs completely furnished. How could mankind ever better his situation? What would he do with all these wonderful blessings from God? That's another story! \*\*\*