

Why Just Adam?

Concluding our examination, consider these thoughts.
 Why did God *just* create Adam?

Has it ever occurred to you as unusual that God would create an entire expansive universe housing countless galaxies and endless solar systems within which he placed one spectacular earth? He then populated this marvelous earth with one human being.

Pondering this question one day, I clearly began to see that God could just as easily have created one huge church. He could certainly have populated Earth. As God, He could do whatever He pleased.

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In the beginning, it was entirely by design that God did not create a race, populate the earth, or create a church. It was His supreme design to create one individual and place him in a sanctuary—a secret place.

Several remarkable points must be made from this. First, I find it amazing that The Almighty God would prefer the attention of one individual to thousands or millions. It is even more extraordinary that The Creator could Himself find complete fulfillment and satisfaction in communing with one individual.

Remember, He had already created a universe, an infinite expanse and cosmos, but as magnificent as His creation was, even that did not provide the fulfillment that He found in Adam. It is truly miraculous that the God of the universe, our omnipotent, heavenly Father could find complete satisfaction in fellowship with one individual.

He still does.

God longs for us to establish a personal relationship with Him. His agenda for us does not include becoming more religious. Religion places God somewhere off in the distance. God never intended to be a distant God. He is the ever-present God. He is not the God of the masses, large crowds and large churches. He is the God of the individual. He longs to walk with you, alone, just the two of you in communion in the cool of the day.

The devil is not the least bit concerned about whether or not you are religious. You can attend church 24/7 and he won't mind a bit, but he desperately wants to keep you from discovering any form of intimacy with the Father. The devil adamantly wants to keep you from becoming a worshiper. He will do anything he can to

distract and disrupt that possibility. His goal is to contain you in the outer court at all costs.

Religion is totally harmless to the devil; relationship with the Father is fatal for satan's intentions and devices.

Today, as was evident with Adam's creation, God is still desiring, requiring and searching for true worshipers. Nothing has changed. The same longing that thousands of years ago produced Adam's creation still drives our Father's heart. As John 4:23 says, "*The Father seeketh such to worship him*—true worshipers."

Throughout this book we have confirmed that indeed there is more ... THERE IS A PLACE. God has certainly prepared for the worshiper a place, a sanctuary of His presence, a bridge, if you will, connecting you and me with the potential, linking our present with our destination. In Exodus, we see Moses discover it. In Psalm 91, He further documents it. In Matthew 6, Jesus defines access. In the Philippian jail, Paul and Silas demonstrate it. Throughout His Word, God guarantees it.

*Revelation 22:17, "And the Spirit and the bride say, 'Come.' And let him that heareth say, 'Come.' And let **him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely.**"*

The vibrant vertical connection will always present an evident, horizontal result. Do not focus on the

horizontal result; don't camp at the sign. Reexamine your outlook through worship-colored lenses.

We have so often gotten the cart before the horse in looking at the benefits of the kingdom. God shows us an image or principle of relationship and it is naturally accompanied by remarkable benefits. We so tend to become consumed with the benefits and overlook entirely God's true intent.

Small wars have been fought over John's statement in 3 John:2, "*Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul*

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prospereth." We fight our interpretive wars primarily because of struggling with a purely "horizontal" perspective. Look at the verse through worship-tinted lenses. John simply desires that we prosper and be in health ***to the same extent our soul is prospering in God.*** Above all, He wants our

lives to reflect a vibrant relationship with our Lord. Let's not bother arguing over results but rather focus on the principal issue and let the results occur naturally. Our Father by nature will always be the rewarder of those who **diligently seek Him.**

In a supplemental book of this series, Finding The Secret Place, we explore specifically and in depth each individual worshiper's personal pursuit and discovery. God never intended this place to seem so beyond our reach. It is

entirely the deceptive suggestion of the enemy that makes it appear so to us.

God instead assures in Jeremiah 29:13,14,
*13, "And ye shall seek me, and find
me, when ye shall search for me with
all your heart.
14, And **I will be found of you**, saith
the LORD."*

An ironclad guarantee. Amen!

There are indeed many aspects supporting the connection between God and man, but at the center of that attachment stands a gateway--a true, personal and intimate relationship: worship.