

The War of Worship

The 2 Opposing “Seedlines” of Genesis 3:15

Does the Serpent have Physical Seed on the Earth?

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In Genesis 3:15 God the Father prophesied that there would be physical seed on earth from the serpent. He is Lucifer, “the evil spirit,” Satan and Sama’el, the Angel of Death or the serpent in or at the tree of knowledge in Eden, according to Rabba Batra, 16a. We know literal physical seed from “the watchers” or rebel “sons of God,” including Sama’el or Lucifer-Satan took wives on earth in Genesis 6. And according to other credible sources, this has occurred at other times thereafter *and* is occurring even today. What is less clear is whether this occurred in the Eden story in connection with Eve’s partaking of “forbidden fruit.” What was this fruit? Was Cain the fruit of Eve’s womb with the serpent. Early Aramaic sources, mystery school initiates, the Kabbalah, and many Jewish traditions support this claim. Most mainstream Christian scholars do not. This appendix addresses this possibility in the Eden story using both the Bible *and* additional texts in Parts I, II and III hereafter. Thoughtful examination of these sources *with* prayer is encouraged. Part I focuses on the Nazarite Vow of Numbers 6 because of its unique ties to avoid wine and other grape products, tying them to “the forbidden fruit” in Eden. Many scholars believe the grape is the fermented “fruit of the vine” - wine. It is a useful key in establishing more understanding hereafter. Part II focuses on comparison of 3 different translations of the Eden story in; (1) The 515 BC Aramaic Targums (the Jonathan & Palestinian translations); (2) Use of the 285 BC Septuagint or LXX; And (3) Use of the 1769 AD KJV. Part III provides general support for a “serpent seed” *in* Eden narrative, using Bible texts and many outside of it (some 20 total sources, including the Apocrypha, Pseudepigrapha, the Dead Sea Scrolls *and* other ancient texts).

Part I. The Nazarite Vow of Numbers 6

Nazarites (both female and male) are spread throughout the Bible. They were those who desired to be “holy unto the LORD” (like Paul and the *male*-only Levitical priests). This vow or covenant with God was put in place by Him through Moses - for all those who wanted to draw closer to God, male or *female*. To do so they needed to “*separate*” themselves from sin and various worldly ways. This **separation** is tied to the meaning of the Hebrew word “nazir” or “nazar,” along with the concept of being **crowned** with *righteousness* (see Num. 6:2; Gen. 49:26). Nazarites were thus uniquely **forbidden** to have contact with **3 things**; (1) Grape products, especially the *fermented* “**fruit of the vine**” or wine (Num. 6:3; Lev. 10:9); (2) Death in any form, spiritual or physical; And (3) They were forbidden to cut their hair, letting it grow long for the entire length of their vow with God, whether it was a minimum of 30 days or for one’s entire lifetime (like Samson, Samuel the Prophet, or John the Baptist). It was a **crown**-like symbol of *righteousness* tied to the *diadem*. Why?

The answers help explain what happened in Eden as well as why and how. They also point to potential sexual sin *and* idolatry that were often used together as an effective tool against God’s people in the Bible, by Satan, Lucifer, or the serpent. John called them together “Sodom & Egypt” in Revelation 11:8 (the focus of Appendix B). The Nazarite Vow helped men *and* women *separate* from the 3 “**forbidden**” things that were tied to; (1) *sin*, (2) *death*, and (3) *hell*. This helped them part become “**holy unto the LORD**” (Num. 6:8). As we will see, the “**vine tree**” in Eden (Num. 6:4) opposed the Tree of Life there.

At the end of Numbers 6 is a promised *blessing* from the LORD (verses, 23-27, the last 5 verses). Author and presenter Jonathan Cahn recites these verses in his “Aaronic blessing” at the end of most of his presentations. Avoiding the 3 main “**forbidden**” things is a focus of this **separating** Nazarite pathway. Detailing the 3 **forbidden** things explains even more.

(1) **Do not consume grape products** This included new or aged [fermented] *wine*, vinegar from it, and raisins. The reason for this appears to be that the grape was *the forbidden fruit of the vine tree* in Eden, tied to **sin** there. Strong wine has consistent ties to *lewdness* or **sexual sin** generally in the Bible and especially so in ancient *fertility cults* like Baal and Asherthoth worship. The book of Hosea focuses on Israel’s frequent *sexual sin* in connection with *idolatry* in these *cults*. In them, Israel was *unfaithful* to their Bridegroom God – their 1st love (Rev. 2:4). Hosea 4:11 states, “**Whoredom and wine and new wine take away the heart**” (see also Hosea 2:10-13). John characterized both of these 2 **sins** together as “Sodom and Egypt,” doing so to reference to Jerusalem in the last-days - with her corruption by them in Revelation 11:8. They are favorite tools of the evil one *and* designing men everywhere.

(2) **Have no contact with death** Nazarites were also to have **no** contact with death of any kind, including caring for deceased family members, as *spiritual* and *physical death* came with the **sin** in Eden. In addition, there was to be **no** contact with a medium or necromancer, those who attempted to make contact with “familiar spirits” (dead ancestors) as so many did in the idolatrous cults throughout Canaan. The *offspring* of the fallen angels or Watchers in Canaan worshipped their fathers as gods, and thus often sought contact with them. King Saul did this after he lost the Spirit, seeking guidance from the witch of Endor. This contributed to his many sins (see 1 Sam. 28), ending with his death. David then officially led Israel as her rightful king.

(3). **Do not cut your hair but rather let it be a covering like a crown** Nazarites were to let their hair grow during the entire length of their vow. It was a natural head covering, comparable to a *crown* and a *fruitful grape vine*. Vow length had to be at least 30 days or more. Some vows were for life, like that of Samson, Samuel the Prophet, and John the Baptist. One’s *hair* length visually signaled the length of the vow and that one might be a Nazarite. The long hair was seen among knowledgeable Jews as a type of royal crown, tied to righteousness, and specifically the rare **Diadem** crown (below). Paul encouraged women converts to

cover their heads of *hair* so as not to attract or tempt angelic beings with their beauty (see 1 Cor. 11:10 & Gen. 6:4). He was familiar with the book of Enoch and the story of the fallen Watcher angels who lusted after beautiful mortal women. Cut hair was also used for *sympathetic magic* in various idolatrous cults in the ancient world. *Hair, fingernails, and body fluids* were thought to connect one better with the dead (and demons) in various rituals. Such things were also used in cursing an individual (like voodoo today).

The Diadem Crown The word “**diadem**” (a type of cloth turban crown in the Bible) is a variant translation of the word **nazir**, meaning “**separate**” and “**crowned**” with *righteousness spiritually*. It is uniquely associated with not only long hair, but a **grapevine**. In scripture, it symbolized the *royal* or legitimate right to rule Israel via bloodline, and **specifically** God’s blood in Yeshua, His Only Begotten Son, the King of kings (see **Isa. 28:5, 62:3**; Ezek. 21:26; Job 29:14; **Rev. 19:12** [this verse should be translated **diadems** not crowns], those in Rev. 12:3, 13:1 are *false* crowns of evil ones, trying to usurp power). Christ is also qualified to be the King of kings because He is a model of *righteousness*, the Son of Righteousness. He is called “the Righteous” in Moses 7:45 and 47. He is called “**the True Vine**” in John 15:1-5. The **fruits** of His love are most visible in the Atonement. It is significant that the long hair of the Nazarite symbolizes a covering of *righteousness*, tied symbolically to an “**uncut, full grapevine**” a unique type of crown upon the head. Jesus is said to have worn a crown of thorns on the cross. In *The Encyclopedia of Biblical Literature* we read:

“Whilst the **vine** again, laden with *fruit*, is called *Nazarite*, or more probably *Nazir*, i.e., the *crowned* (Lev. 25:5;11); because in its *uncut* state, when its **head is covered** with **grapes** and foliage, it is a much adorned with a **diadem** as the head of the *Nazarite* with the *abundant hair*, just as we call the foliage of a tree its *crown*” (see *The Encyclopedia of Biblical Literature*, Kitto & Alexander eds., vol. 3, p. 293. See also the 12 related words to “Nazarite” in **endnote 3, The Key of David**).

The primary concepts tied to a Nazarite are **separation** from sin where one is then **crowned** with *righteousness*, symbolized by the *royal diadem*. Nazarites like Jesus and Joseph of Egypt turn *barren* places or *situations* into **fruitful** ones! Patterns exist in scripture suggesting that many men and women in the Bible were Nazarites. They include things like making a vow or covenant with God, and avoiding *defilement* via contact with wine or death, etc. Twelve possible male Nazarites include Abraham, Jacob (Israel), **Joseph** of Egypt, **Samson**, **Samuel** the Prophet, **John** the Baptist, **James** the Just (half-brother of Christ), the Apostle **Paul**, **Daniel**, **Elijah** and Elisha. All of them emulated **Jesus** of *Nazareth* in some way. He was the ultimate *Nazarite*, leader of the sect of the *Nazarenes* (Matt. 2:23), which is the earliest name for Christian followers of Jesus, along with “followers of the way” (Acts 4:24). He appears to have made a number of vows during His mortal mission, the last one being at the Last Supper, where He said, “But I say unto you, I will **not** drink henceforth of this **fruit of the vine**, until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom” (Matt. 26:29).

Note the 3 sources addressed hereafter (A, B & C). They support a direct relationship between the Nazarite Vow *with* the “forbidden fruit” of the Eden story in Genesis 3. Most modern scholars believe portions of the Aramaic Targums are interpolations and opinions added to the ancient Hebrew texts, especially those tied to Father’s prophecy of “serpent seed” in connection with Eve. They believe the serpent’s seed is *spiritual* only. Three chapters later, however, the Genesis 6:4 narrative involves literal “seed” from the fallen angels in *their offspring*. The Nazarite Vow may be the missing key uniting both.

A. Numbers 6 (Nazarite vow) in the 500 BC Aramaic Targum (its 1st few verses) “And the LORD spake with Mosheh, saying: Speak with the children of Israel, and say to them: When a man or, a woman, seeing **her** [Eve] who had *gone astray in her corruption*, shall (resolve to) become abstinent from **wine**, or for any other cause shall make the vow of a **Nazir** in **separating** one’s self unto the Name of the Lord, he shall abstain from **wine**, *new* and *old*, he shall drink neither vinegar of *old wine* or *new*; neither may he drink liquor in which **grapes** have been crushed, nor eat of **grapes** either fresh or dried [raisins]. All the days of his vow he shall **not** drink eat of **the tree** [“tree of knowledge of good and evil”?] which maketh **wine** . . . All the days of his **Nazir** vow the razor shall **not** pass upon his head until the time when the days of his **separation** to the Name of the Lord be fulfilled; he shall be *consecrate*, letting the hair of his head grow. All the day of his **separation** to the Name of the Lord he shall not go in where there is a *dead* man. For his father, or his mother, his brother, or his sister [who are dead], he shall not make himself *unclean* through their *decease*; for the **crown** of Eloah [the Hebrew God, singular] is **upon his head**; all the days in which he is a **Nazir** shall be sacred [or “holy”] before the Lord . . . The Lord bless thee and keep thee. The Lord make His face to shine upon thee, and grant thee peace. The Lord bless in all they business, and keep thee from *demons* of the night, and things that cause terror, and from *demons* of the noon and the morning, and from malignant *spirits* and *phantoms* . . . The Lord up His countenance upon thee in prayer and grant thee peace in thy end. And they shall bestow the benediction of My Name upon the children of Israel, and I, by My Word, will bless them.”

Jesus conquered *sin, death* and *hell* via His **blood**, light, love and righteousness. The serpent seed narrative is addressed in a number of sources (mostly outside of the current Bible). Some suggest the *fruit of Eve’s womb* may have included twins, from 2 fathers, as they had opposing natures, much like Esau and Jacob. Some suggest Cain was the son of Lucifer with Abel being Adam’s son. Science reveals that *fraternal* twins can originate in 2 fathers. *During ovulation 1 ovum is typically released to be fertilized by 1 sperm. Sometimes, however, woman’s ovaries release 2 ova. Each must be fertilized by a separate sperm cell. If she has intercourse with 2 different men, both ova can be fertilized via 2 fathers. This is called “heteropaternal superfecundation” (HS). It has been proven in many paternity suits involving fraternal twins, where genetic testing must be done on each child. The frequency of “heteropaternal superfecundation” in this group was found (in one study) to be 2.4%.*

God addressed the *forbidden tree* and its *fruit* when speaking to Adam and Eve (“**trees**” are people or beings throughout the Bible, whereas **fruit** is typically **actions** along with **children**, as in “the fruit of the womb”). The *choices* made in Eden led to knowledge of “good and evil” for Eve and Adam. It is no different with us. A number of sources suggest the “seed” in Genesis

3:15 may be both *spiritual* and *physical*. They further suggest Eve was taken advantage of by the serpent via not only lies but via **wine** too. Four sources include (1) Baruch 4:1-17 below; (2) Ancient Rabbinic teachings, featuring 2 trees in 1 (a grapevine wrapping around an Olive tree); (3) The Aramaic Targums of Genesis 3 (in Part II); (4) The Kolbrin Bible ([endnote 79](#), [The Key of David](#)).

B. Baruch 4:1-17 or the *Genesis Apocryphon – The Grape is the Forbidden Fruit* “And I [Baruch] said, I pray thee show me which is the tree which led Adam astray. And the angel said to me, It is the vine, which **the angel Sammael planted**, whereat the Lord God was angry, and He cursed him and **his plant**, while also on this account He did not permit Adam to touch it, and therefore the devil being envious deceived him [Adam] through **his vine**. And I Baruch said, Since also **the vine** [the tree or “vine tree” of knowledge of good and evil?] has been the cause of such great evil, and is under judgment of the curse of God, and *was* the destruction of the first created, how is it now so useful?

And the angel said, Thou askest aright. When God caused the deluge upon earth, and destroyed all flesh, and four hundred and nine thousand giants, and the water rose fifteen cubits above the highest *mountains*, *then* the water entered into paradise and destroyed every flower; but it removed wholly without the bounds the shoot of **the vine** and cast it outside. And when the earth appeared out of the water, and Noah came out of the ark, he began to plant of the plants which he found. But he found also the shoot of **the vine**; and he took it, and was reasoning in himself, What then is it? And I came and spake to him the things concerning it. And he said, Shall I plant it, or what *shall I do*? Since Adam was destroyed because of it, let me not also meet with the anger of God because of it. And saying these things he prayed that God would reveal to him what he should do concerning it. And when he had completed the prayer *which lasted* forty days, and having besought many things and wept, he said: Lord, I entreat thee to reveal to me what I shall do concerning this plant. But God sent his angel Sarasael, and said to him, Arise, **Noah**, and plant the shoot of **the vine**, for thus saith the Lord: Its **bitterness** shall be changed into **sweetness**, and its curse shall become a **blessing**, and that which is produced from it shall become the **blood of God** [in the Sacrament or Communion ordinance]; and as through it the human race obtained condemnation, *so* again through Jesus Christ the Immanuel will they receive in Him the upward calling, and the entry into paradise. Know therefore, Baruch, that as Adam through this very **tree** obtained **condemnation**, and was divested of the glory of God, so also the men who now drink insatiably the **wine** which is begotten of it, transgress worse than Adam, and are far from the glory of God, and are surrendering themselves to the eternal fire. For (no) good comes through it. For those who drink it to surfeit do these things: neither does a brother pity *his* brother, nor a father *his* son, nor children *their* parents, but from the drinking of **wine** come all *evils*, such as *murders, adulteries, fornications, perjuries, thefts*, and such like. And **nothing good** is established by it.”

C. Ancient Rabbinic Traditions of 2 Trees Around 1 Jean Pierre Marie *Montet* was an acclaimed French *Egyptologist*, considered 1 of the world’s 5 best Egyptologists. Quoting Montet, researcher Hugh Nibley stated, “Montet has shown that every temple in Egypt had its own version of the *forbidden* fruit in its cult-drama...There is a Jewish tradition that it was by converting the fruit of the tree into wine and offering it to her husband in that form that Eve brought about the Fall...Certainly it was the vine which was the forbidden fruit of our second parent, Noah, who after he had completed his strenuous passage through the waters found only one plant growing on earth, from the fruit of which he got drunk and misbehaved” (Hugh Nibley, *The Message of the Joseph Smith Papyri*, an Egyptian Endowment, Deseret Book, 1976, p. 176).

A number of ancient texts suggest the “**vine tree**” in Eden was 2 trees in 1, or that the “tree of knowledge of good and evil” was “grapevine” or “**vine tree**” that wrapped around another tree, the “tree of life,” potentially an olive tree (see Num. 6:4 & Ezek. 15:2 are 2 other “**vine tree**” references & [endnote 80](#), [The Key of David](#)). This 2 in 1 tree may be supported by the pole Moses lifted up in the wilderness (Num. 21:9) that had a serpent wrapping around it. Those looking at it in *belief* (in connection with the LORD Jesus on “the tree” in Calvary) were made whole from sin – and the literal bite of poisonous serpents. Looking back at his time with his people, when they often offended God by turning to idolatry, Moses said in the book of Deuteronomy:

“For their rock is not as our Rock, even our enemies themselves being judges. For their **wine** is of the vine of Sodom, and of The fields of Gomorrah: their grapes are grapes of gall, their clusters are *bitter*. Their **wine** is the *poison* of dragons, and the cruel *venom* of asps” (Deut. 32:31-33).

This 2 in 1 tree concept is further supported by a number of Cathedrals and churches in Europe. There, tall pillars inside and out resemble tree trunks that are often wrapped with a grapevine. Some suggest that the Garden of Gethsemane on the Mount of Olives may have been an olive tree orchard with grapevines too. Some of the vines may have intertwined with the trees there.

Taking Advantage of Others We know strong wine causing drunkenness allowed some to take advantage of others in various Bible stories, like (1) a *drunk* Noah who was taken advantage of, later cursing Ham and Canaan; (2) The story of Lot whose 2 daughters got him drunk, so that incest with him would result in children; And (3) King David’s sin in impregnating Bathsheba. He tried to cover it up by attempting to have Uriah get drunk and lie with Bathsheba, hiding David’s sin with her ([Appendix D](#)).

Turning Evil to Good Jesus turned the curse of the fruit of the vine tree in Eden into a blessing, making the Sacrament of the LORD’s supper an act of love and unity for Him and His 11 most trusted followers. God did the same thing with Joseph of Egypt, turning his bitter captivity at the hand of his 11 *brothers* into a sweet reunion later in Egypt. It resulted in the salvation of the whole house of Israel during a time of famine. Joseph of Egypt was “separated” from his 11 brothers when he was sold into Egypt. Rabbinic tradition says Joseph did not drink wine again until he did so with them in joy in Egypt. Their reunion was celebrated with the drinking of wine. It was a “**cup of joy**” much like the Galilean betrothal ceremony where both the groom and

the bride drink a “cup of joy” when they are *first* betrothed to each other. Immediately thereafter the groom vows to **not** drink wine for a full year, until he can do so again with her at the marriage ceremony at his father’s house (see the end of chap. 12).

Jesus said, “Behold, **I make all things new**” (Rev. 21:5). The symbol of His red blood was taken internally in connection with the external washing of His servant’s feet the night of the Last Supper. He then entered into the Garden of Gethsemane where He bled from every pore in great suffering. Both the washing of feet and partaking of bread and wine were performed by the LORD to prepare His servants to take the gospel of the Kingdom to the rest of the world. Did Cain’s offering to God of “the fruits of the field” include grapes or wine? We know Abel’s animal offering was accepted, as it was most likely a lamb (in connection with God’s grace or mercy). Cain’s offering was not accepted, as it was tied to Cain’s work, rather than to God’s grace.

Part II. Comparing the KJV of Genesis 3:15 and 4:1, 17-18 with the Aramaic Targums of the same verses

Other translations of the Bible often reveal different details in the Eden story than that of the King James Version. This is especially true of the 515 BC Aramaic Targums of Genesis 3 and 4. What do they reveal?

1. Genesis 3:15 - *Father’s Prophecy of 3 things via 4 different translations, listed by date (the oldest is first); (1) There will be enmity between 2 opposing “seedlines”, thus there will be “seed” of the woman and “seed of the serpent”; (2) The serpent will strike or hurt the heel of the “woman’s seed”; And (3) “The seed of the woman” or Jesus will crush the head of the serpent.*

“And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between the **seed** of thy son, and the **seed** of her sons; and it shall be when the sons of the woman keep the commandments of the law, they will be prepared to smite thee upon thy head; but when they forsake the commandments of the law, thou will be ready to wound them in their heel. Nevertheless, for them there shall be a medicine, but for thee there will be no medicine; and they shall make a remedy for the heel in the days of the King Meshiha.” Genesis 3:15 ATP (Aramaic Targum, *Palestinian* 515 BC, translated into English in 1862)

“And I will put enmity between thee [the serpent-Lucifer-Satan] and the woman and between thy **seed** and her **seed**, he shalt watch against thy head, and thou shalt watch against his heel.” Genesis 3:15 LXX (Septuagint, 270 BC / 1844 English)

“And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy **seed** and her **seed**; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.” Genesis 3:15 KJV (King James Version, 1611)

“And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your **offspring** and **hers**; he will crush your head, and you will strike his heel.” Genesis 3:15 NIV (New International Version, 1978 & 2011).

Was Eve attracted to Lucifer in verses 6 and 20? Note that “children” and suffering in “childbirth” are subjects God then addresses right after His 3-part prophecy in verse 15. The Genealogy of Cain as given us in Genesis 4:1 using 3 different translations below.

2A. Genesis 4:1 - *Genealogy of Cain, the first Murderer* Genesis 4:1 is typically used to counteract the “serpent seed” narrative with the assumption that Adam is Cain’s father. Note the semicolon, a *separating* tool for 2 differing statements; (1) *that* Adam “knew” Eve, and (2) *that* she conceived and bore Cain (perhaps with Able). **Endnote 81 (The Key of David)** addresses the science behind twins that originate from 2 Fathers, called “*heteropaternal superfecundation*.” Genesis 5 features the posterity of Adam, but it does not mention Cain, the supposed 1st son of Adam with Eve. Only Seth’s name is given in Genesis 5, the bloodline Jesus was born through!

“And Adam knew Hava [Eve] his wife, who had desired the [rebel] Angel; and she conceived, and bare Kain [Cain]; and she said, I have acquired a man, the [rebel] Angel of the Lord. And she added to bear from her husband Adam his twin, even Habel [Able].” Genesis 4:1 ATP (Aramaic Targum *Palestinian* 515 BC - *note here that Cain & Able may have been twins*. Many Rabbis believe the 2 boys were twins. *Adam Clarke’s Commentary* states, “From the very face of this account it appears evident that Cain and Abel were twins.”

“And Adam knew his wife Eve, who was pregnant by Sammael, and she conceived and bare Cain, and he was like the heavenly beings, and not like earthly beings, and she said, I have gotten a man from the [rebel] angel of the Lord.” Genesis 4:1 ATJ (Aramaic Targum *Jonathan* 515 BC).

“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 KJV (King James Version, 1611 AD, *once again the KJV is unclear – I believe this is purposeful*). Eve is apparently excited to get a “man-child” or son because of the Father’s prophecy in Genesis 3:15. Jesus as her “seed” would come in the distant future.

2B. Genesis 4:17-18 – *the Bible’s 1st Polygamist* In the later verses of Genesis 4 we read about Lamech in Cain’s posterity being the Bible’s 1st polygamist. Like Cain (the 1st rebel, murderer and thief), Lamech made a *secret blood-oath* with Satan, murdering another for *gain* (see Moses 5:49-55). Blood sacrifice of an innocent one may be how one “sealed” their covenant with Satan. Lamech was of Cain, a descendant of the another Enoch (not the good Enoch). Lamech took unto himself 2 *wives* (v. 19). Others in the family of man would also practice polygamy, including Esau, Saul, David and Solomon. There is no scripture where God authorizes or condones the practice, nor is there one where He condemns it (but others do condemn the practice later in scripture). In each case, men or women took this course of action *themselves* for various reasons (in Abram’s case it was via Sarai’s prodding, as she was barren and aged). Having more than one wife led to real problems among God’s people in the Bible, especially with Abraham, Jacob, David and Solomon (see also Jacob 2, Book of Mormon).

Other General Support for a Serpent Seed Narrative

A. The Serpent's Revenge Plans The actions of the serpent in Eden were motivated by pride and revenge. The "serpent seed" narrative is tied the 2 opposing "trees" or beings. "The Tree of Life" or "the true vine" is God. Choosing to follow Him leads to *life eternal*. The choice to follow the other tree, "the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil," led to *death*, both *spiritual* and *physical*. The serpent enticed Eve with "knowledge" mixed with lies (the focus of chap. 3) He said the knowledge he had to give her would *not* lead to death but enlighten her, making her like the gods. Lucifer, the 2nd tree is better known as the serpent or deceiver in Eden. There are some 17 *descriptive* titles (rather than names) associated with this evil, unnamed being (see them all in [endnote 15, The Key of David](#)). The word "serpent" in Genesis is derived from the Hebrew *nachash*. Note its 3 different meanings as a *noun*, *verb* and *adjective*.

Nachash Noun "a *snake* of common breed"

Nachash Verb "*deceiver*"

Nachash Adjective: "*bright*, burnished, shinning," "for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light" (2 Cor. 11:14).

Besides the descriptive title "serpent," Enoch refers to him as "Samael," the leader of the rebel "sons of the God," and Azazel, the title of 1 of 2 goats in the Day of Atonement rite in Leviticus 16:8. The other goat represented the LORD. Lucifer is compared to the *prideful* King of Babylon in Isaiah 14 and to the *wicked* King of Tyre in Ezekiel 28. He is also compared to the King or Pharaoh of Egypt in Ezekiel 31, where he is compared to a **tall tree**, like those in Lebanon, one "exalted above" **other trees**. The "cedars in **the garden of God** could not hide him." No **tree** in the garden was comparable to his "beauty" (vs. 8). The other **trees** "envied him." This **tree** is also associated with "the Assyrian" or "the rod" of God's anger" (Isa. 10:5, rods or staffs were made from **tree** branches). Lucifer's heart was lifted up. He was brought to ruin, into a pit. Note God's words in verses 16 to 18.

"I made the nations to shake at the sound of his fall, when I cast him down to hell with them that descend into the pit: and all the trees of Eden, the choice and the best of Lebanon . . . They also went down into hell with him . . . yet shalt thou be brought down with the **trees** of Eden unto the nether parts of the earth . . ." (Ezek. 31:16-18).

In Ezekiel 28, this same **tree** or being is described just after God created him. He was *not* as a hideous **tree** or beast but a luminous being with significant "brightness," a "son of the morning," "the signet of perfection," "perfect in thy ways," "an anointed cherub" (a very high-ranking angel), "perfect in beauty," "full of wisdom." He was an advanced being, perhaps once a part of God's divine council in heaven (as a created being or angel). When he approached Eve she was alone, where he cunningly tempted her with his beauty and intelligence to **disobey** Father, using lies twisted around truths (like a grapevine around a tree). Eve was a means to a planned end or purpose. The real focus was **Adam** (and all mankind), as Lucifer could not overpower Father or the Son, but he could exact revenge on them *through Adam* and his posterity. Lucifer's potential revenge plan to seduce Eve was driven by *pride*, *jealousy*, and *anger* in connection with his casting out from heaven. Adam got him thrown out of heaven – to the earth. Lucifer wanted dominion over earth and Adam's seed. He and his followers (the fallen angels of Genesis 6:4) would then oppose the seed of the woman and Adam here in a war of who would be worshipped. What motivations were behind his revenge?

1. God cast Lucifer out of the higher heaven for rebellion - because of his pride and jealousy (see Isa. 14; Ezek. 28; Rev. 12). He wanted God's throne, honor, and power and to be worshipped (see Isa. 14). Honor is the source of God's power.

2. The Son Jesus forced Lucifer's removal from the Kingdom of heaven, as Jesus ("the angel of the LORD" in the Old Testament) was and is the Captain of the heavenly host or "the LORD of the Sabaoth" (Hebrew for "armies" or "hosts" (1 Sam. 1:3). Jesus was very much honored with and by Father and all in heaven, having His own throne with the promise of an everlasting kingdom at Father's right hand (see Dan. 7:13-14). Jesus was the Creator, the Word, and the Judge over all. Lucifer was very jealous of Him (and of Adam), but had no power over the LORD. He could, however, get revenge more easily on Adam, especially through his choice companion Eve! And in addition to being cast down to earth – out of heaven, forced out there by Jesus.

One source tells us that Lucifer and his rebellious followers were eventually disembodied because of their actions. This is addressed by E.A. Wallace Budge in the Coptic Martyrdoms, a text from a sermon by Timothy of Alexandria, entitled "The Discourse on Abbaton." It is believed to belong to the teachings of the LORD during the last day of His 40-day ministry among His most trusted disciples following His resurrection, where difficult decisions had to be decided upon in the Councils of Heaven, like the needed destruction of the earth's inhabitants, because of the great corruptions here (like those addressed in Moses 7:48). In the story, the LORD Jesus and Adam step forward to offer assistance following the planned judgment and destruction on earth, with Jesus performing a future atonement to save mankind, and Adam descending to earth prior to it for teaching purposes while taking dominion here. Lucifer, with boundless ambition, pride, and lack of humility, could no longer be trusted. He was jealous of Adam and mankind's dominion of the earth. He was then cast out and stripped of a portion of his powers with a ceremonial sickle and ordinance, where he was depriving of 2/3rds of his former "full strength" as a "son of God" (the leader of the fallen angels). The Discourse on Abbaton is quoted in Hugh Nibley in Enoch the Prophet, pps. 172-173, FARMS, Deseret Book, 1986).

Some scholars believe this destruction of earth occurred *after* Lucifer had established *dominion* here in cities like Atlantis and Lemuria, and perhaps on other planets in our Solar system too, like Mars and specifically Rehab (which is apparently now destroyed, its remains believed to be asteroids in the asteroid belt (see Psalm 89:10; Isa. 51:9-10; Job 26:12).

The powerful Son of Man Jesus, with His heavenly host, made war on Lucifer the dragon and those following him (Rev. 12). His early, vast corruption of earth included the creation of hybrid creatures via DNA manipulation, those often addressed in Greek mythology. Many believe this judgment on earth came by way of an earlier flood narrative than the one with Noah, in connection

with “the Gap Theory” (see [endnote 10, The Key of David](#)). The Genesis narrative addressed here may thus part be part of a *re-creation* event on earth, that addressed between verses 1 and 2 of Genesis 1.

3. Adam then became the primary target for Lucifer’s revenge and hatred here on earth. Earth may have been Lucifer’s former domain. Adam was approached and tempted *first* by him in Eden. Without initial success and knowing Adam would want to remain with Eve, he then targeted Eve for his revenge. He wanted dominion once again on earth. Adam and his posterity held all legal right to it, a right enforced by the armies of heaven led again by Jesus as Judge, King, and Captain of the Host or the “LORD of the Sabaoth.” What better way to get revenge on Adam than through his beloved companion Eve? “Seed” would bring more results.

B. The Parables of Jesus tied to Seed In various parables in the New Testament, Jesus spoke of wheat *versus* tares, sheep *versus* goats, and “my father” *versus* “your father.” These statements represent **separation** that may be both *spiritual* through teachings, belief and resulting actions, and *physical* through genetics and bloodlines. Jesus said:

“He that soweth the good seed [wheat] is the Son of man; The field is the world; the **good seed** are the children of the kingdom; but the **tares are the children of the wicked one**” (Matt. 13:37-38 KJV, bold & italics added).

In the parable of the 10 **virgins**, where 5 are *asleep* and 5 arise in the middle of the night because they are *wise* with *oil* or the *Spiri* in them in Matthew 25, Jesus said, “When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory: And before him shall be gathered all nations: and he shall **separate** them one from another, as a shepherd divideth his **sheep** from the **goats**: And he shall set the **sheep** on his *right hand*, but the **goats** on the *left*. Then shall the King say unto them on his *right hand*, Come, ye **blessed of my Father**, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world” (Matt. 25:31-34 KJV, bold & Italics added).

Speaking to the Pharisees, Je sus said, “I speak that which I have seen with **my Father**: and ye do that which ye have seen with **your father**. They answered and said unto him, Abraham is our father. Jesus saith unto them, If ye were Abraham's children, ye would do the works of Abraham. But now ye seek to kill me, a man that hath told you the truth, which I have heard of God: this did not Abraham. Ye do the deeds of **your father**. Then said they to him, We be not born of fornication; we have one Father, even God. Jesus said unto them, If God were **your Father**, ye would love me: for I proceeded forth and came from God; neither came I of myself, but he sent me. Why do ye not understand my speech? even because ye cannot hear my word. Ye are of **your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do**. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and **the father** of it” (John 8:38-44 KJV, bold & italics added).

In Matthew 23 Jesus called the Pharisees “**blind guides**,” pronouncing a **curse** upon them with **7 uses** of the word “**woe**” while also calling them “**hypocrites**” **7 times**. He said, “**Ye serpents**, ye *generation* of **vipers**, how can ye escape the damnation of **hell** . . . that **upon you** may come all the righteous **blood** shed upon the earth, from the **blood** of righteous Abel to the blood of Zechariah, son of Berechiah, whom you murdered between the temple and the altar. Assuredly, I say to you, all these things will come upon this generation” (Matt. 23 NKJV, select verses bold & italics added). Jesus words were like Paul’s actions in shaking His garments *clean* and free of the wicked blood of that generation. Paul did this physically and spiritually in Acts 18:6. [See also BM](#)

Paul’s Words tied to Eve in Eden “For I am *jealous* over you with *godly jealousy*: for I have espoused you to **one husband**, that I may present you as a *chaste virgin* to Christ. But I fear, lest by any means, as **the serpent beguiled Eve** through his subtilty, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ . . . For Satan himself is transformed into an **angel of light**” (2 Cor. 11:2-3 & 14, bold & italics added).

Part III: Additional Sources Supporting a Serpent Seed Narrative

The Proto-Evangelium of James (*James with the 1/2 brother of Jesus, oldest son of Joseph who married Jesus* According to this respected source on the virgin Mary, mother of Jesus, “Joseph came . . . and found her [Mary, his espoused future wife] **great with child** . . . for I received her out of the temple of the Lord my God **a virgin**, and have not kept her safe. Who is he that hath ensnared me? Who hath done this evil in mine house and hath **defiled the virgin? Is not the story of Adam repeated in me?** For as at the hour of his giving thanks **the serpent came and found Eve alone and deceived her, so hath it befallen me also** . . . But she [Mary] wept bitterly, saying: **I am pure** and I know not a man. And Joseph said unto her: Whence then is that which is in thy womb? and she said: As the LORD my God liveth, I know not whence it is come unto me.” This source (example #5 below) joins a total of 20 that may support a “serpent seed” narrative.

22 “Serpent Seed” Sources mostly outside the Bible There are 22 “serpent seed” sources, mostly outside of the Bible. They include; (1) Gen. 3:15, *Palestinian Targum*; (2) Gen. 4:1, *Palestinian & Aramaic (Jonathan) Targums – the genealogy of Cain*. We read in the *Pseudo-Jonathan Targum*; “*And Adam knew about his wife Eve that she had conceived by Sammael the wicked angel of the Lord [Sammael was evidently another name for Azazel or Satan], and she became pregnant and gave birth to Cain. He resembled the upper ones [angels] and not the lower ones, and she therefore said, “I have acquired a man, indeed, an angle of the Lord”;* (3) Gen. 5:1-6, *Aramaic Targum – Genealogy of Adam & Seth, unique physical and character attributes of Cain as compared to Adam*; (4) JST Gen. 5: 6-18, 33-39 / Moses 5:18-21, 47-52 – *Satan & Cain’s relationship*; (5) The Proto-Evangelium of James – *Joseph compares the story of Eve with his espoused wife Mary*; (6) Matt. 3:7, Jesus addresses the “wrath to come” upon the “generation of vipers”; (7) Matt. 13:36-43 - Jesus addresses the parable of the wheat and the tares; (8) Matt. 24:37-39 – troubles like the days of Noah are returning in our day; (9) Matt. 25:31-34, 41 – Jesus will

divide the sheep (right hand) from the goats (left hand); (10) 2 Cor. 11:2 -3, Paul talks about us being a “chaste virgin” who is “espoused to one husband,” adding, “I fear . . . as the serpent beguiled Eve . . . your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ”; (11) John 8, Jesus spoke to the Pharisees, addressing *their* law and *their* “father” the devil; (12) 1 John 3:1-12, *Those Committing Sin are of the Devil, like Cain of the Wicked One*; (13) Revelation 2:9, 3:9 – *False Edomite Jews are the Canaanites*; (14) The Apocryphon of John in the Dead Sea Scrolls connects wine to the *beguilement* of Eve. In it we read that the “vine tree” was “the tree of knowledge of good and evil” and that its *fermented fruit* was the “forbidden fruit”; (15) Daniel 2:43, *the Mixed Seed of the Sons of God with Man, like miry clay mixed with iron*; (16) Micah 3:1-4 – *Those of the Seed of Satan Offer Tortured Human Sacrifices, drink blood & eat flesh*; (17) Baruch 4:1-17 – *The Grape (via its fermented wine) is the Forbidden Fruit, Samael plants the grape vine in Eden*. “Its bitterness shall be changed into sweetness, and its curse shall become a blessing, and that which is produced from it shall become the blood of God” [the Sacrament] . . . from the drinking of wine come all evils, such as murders, adulteries, fornications, perjuries, thefts, and such like. And nothing good is established by it”; (18) Book of Enoch 85:2-19, 86:1-6, the story of white and black bulls compared to the sin of the Watchers and mortal women; (19) Genesis Apocryphon, *column 2 - Lamech worried that his wife was defiled by one of the Watchers*; (20) The Talmud: b. Shab. 146a. Raphael Patai, *Gates to the Old City*, Wayne State Univ. This source states, “*When the serpent mounted Eve, he injected filth into her. Israel who stood at Mount Sinai, their filth ceased; the other nations who did not stand at Mount Sinai, their filth has not ceased*”; (21) The Kabala: Zohar 1:37a, Raphael Patai, 81:471. This source states, “*The sons of God were the sons of Cain. For when Samael mounted Eve, he injected filth into her and she conceived and bare Cain. And this aspect was unlike that of the other humans and all those who came from his side were called sons of God*”; And (22) The Kolbrin Bible, chap. 5 – *Lucifer administers a sleep potion for the rape of Maena and Dadam (Eve and Adam)*. See also Lucifer – Father of Cain, by Zen Garcia, Sacred Word Publishing, 2010.

The Forbidden Fruit of Genesis 3:15 involves 3 Types of Fruit, all tied to Eve, “the mother of all living” & Adam & Us

A. The 1st “Forbidden Fruit” is action seen in Eve’s choice and that of Adam thereafter. It is symbolic of ours today generally. This appears to be the 1st *spiritual* component in the Eden narrative. Fruits are in the *outer* part of a tree (or person), whereas the *roots* of the tree provide grounding and support. The roots are the *source* of *nourishment* delivered through the tree trunk and branches to the **fruit**. God said, “By their *fruits* ye shall *know* them” (Matt. 7:15-20). Fruit is action from our decisions. Scripture says Eve *chose* to partake of “the forbidden fruit” after listening to the lies and influential reasoning of the serpent. He was a powerful, intelligent, beautiful being, very skilled in deception. Eve’s desire for growth via knowledge (as offered by the serpent) led to disobeying Father in sin (with Adam). It resulted in their expulsion from Eden and **separation** from God.

B. The 2nd “forbidden fruit” was choosing the path of the serpent rather than God’s wisdom Although the forbidden fermented fruit the vine in “the blood of grapes” may have been consumed in Eden, it is unclear in the text that Eve was taken advantage of sexually. At the very least it may have thwarted *good*-decision-making. If Eve sinned by partaking of it, she would most-likely influenced Adam to do the same, getting both kicked out from Eden. They had been in God’s presence there. This was sweet revenge for Lucifer as *The Discourse on Abbaton* states. In it, the evil one is said to have stopped Adam outside of the Garden, gloating that he had exacted revenge on Adam for his victory in heaven. He was now paid back in kind. And what was even better, he intended to continue on with his evil plan, saying, “I will never cease to contend against thee and against all those who shall come after thee from out of thee, until I have taken them all down to perdition!” (21 a-b). What follows thereafter in *The Discourse of Abbaton* was a showdown between our 1st parents and the Adversary, where the assurance of salvation through the future atonement of Jesus (20 b) is addressed, and where death shall become sweet to those whose names are in the Book of Life (24 a-b). Fear of death is thus a useful reminder of the constant need of repentance.

C. A 3rd “forbidden fruit” may have been Eve’s physical interfacing with Lucifer, resulting in the “forbidden fruit” within Eve’s womb. Lucifer was the forbidden “tree” who provided dangerous “knowledge” along with damaging lies. His potential seed may have resulted in an opposing twin with Able (like that of Jacob and Esau who made war in Leah’s womb). War between the 2 opposing “seeds” has lasted 6,000 years or more. Enoch tells us that 200 rebel angels came here 3 chapters later in Genesis 6:4, spreading their “seed” in mortal women, along with darkness, sin, and forbidden knowledge throughout the earth. Some suggest the fallen angels were led by Lucifer who was Azazel and Samael there (the lead rebel, see [endnote 15, The Key of David](#)). The reign of the fallen Watchers and their giant posterity lasted for a thousand years. They were the sky gods of the Sumerians *and* the demigods of the Greeks and Romans *east*, the same sky gods of the Native Americans *west*. Their influence remains with us today (Appendix A & B). Lucifer’s incursions (perhaps in both Genesis 3 and 6) were also designed to also stop the birth of God’s son – the blessed “seed of the woman” in the Son of Man. Father prophesied that Jesus as the Divine Son or “Cloud Rider” of Daniel 7 would become “the Head Crusher of Gen. 3:15.

Wine as a Favorite Tool of Lucifer Besides (1) revenge, (2) stopping the birth of Jesus, and (3) corrupting all of God’s work here, a 4th goal (4) remains polluting man’s DNA. It is a primary goal of the elite today and all those in the brotherhood of the snake. There are many examples in scripture of how strong **wine** was used to take advantage of others. Note the 2, 8-part lists that follow farther below. God reversed the “forbidden fruit of the vine” turning it to good in the sacrament ordinance! Besides Eve & Adam, the stories include that of Naamah and Noah, Lot and his 2 daughters, *and* David & Bathsheba (in Appendix B). **Wine** and its drunkenness resulting in seed or children in each case, leading to **cursings** of entire family bloodlines.

This tool of the evil one is somewhat hidden from us, like the story of Noah and his wife Naamah in Genesis 9. In it we read of Noah’s **curse** on Ham *and* Canaan, a son of potential **incest** (Nimrod came through this bloodline). It repeated with Lot’s 2 daughters in Genesis 18. They got their father *drunk* so they could have children via **incest** with him, leading to the **cursed** posterity

of the Moabites and Ammorites. They became enemies to Israel and ended up mixing their seed with the Nephilim. Incest has been used purposely in idolatrous societies like ancient Egypt and even the royals of today (in the English monarchy). It is used purposely within demonic rituals (and with other sexual sin) to curse entire bloodlines to the 3rd and 4th generation, as it is a very serious **iniquity**, often mixing sexual sin *with* idolatry (see The Corrupting Path of Sodom and Egypt, Appendix C & the epigenetics research addressed in [endnote ? in The Key of David](#)).

A Failed Attempt King David was charged with eliminating the Nephilim giants in the Promised Land. Sadly, he also tried to use **wine** to get Uriah *drunk*, encouraging him to leave his post, and then go home to lay with his wife Bathsheba. It was David's ploy to hide his sin with Bathsheba *and* her resulting pregnancy. Perhaps is a type for the serpent's failure in the Eden story too. He still succeeded in tempting Eve and then Adam to disobey Father. That was sufficient for them to be removed from God's presence in Eden. God then provided an escape for them and all mankind through the later atonement of His precious Son Jesus, our Savior.

Each of these events *and* others in the Bible (and other texts) makes use of **wine** – *the forbidden blood of grapes for sex and seed*. Most succeeded.

Solomon tied **wine** to the poison of **snakes**, stating that wine “*biteth* like a **serpent**, and *stingeth* like an **adder**” (Prov. 23:32).

Moses said that **wine** “*biteth* like the *cruel venom* of **asps**” and “the *poison* of **serpents**.” He added that **wine** originated in “the **vine** of **Sodom**” a city tied to *sexual sin*, leading many into *idolatry* rather than focusing on their **Rock**, the source of Israel's **true rock** and **true vine** deliverance and salvation (see Deut. 32:31-33).

The Nazarite Vow help followers of Jesus **separate** themselves for the world, specifically in usage of the **grape** (wine, raisons, etc.), “All the days of his **separation** shall he eat nothing that is made of the **vine tree**, from the kernels even to the husk” (Num. 6:4 KJV). The Hebrew word “Nazar” or “Nazir” means “separate” as Joseph's blessing in Gen. 49:26. He was separated from his brothers in slavery in Egypt, then was raised up as a king there.

Suffering Servant & Conquering King Fortunately, all sin is reversed in the *pure blood* of Jesus when combined with sincere repentance. In his blessing upon Judah in Gen. 49:11, Jacob compared our LORD's blood to the “*blood of grapes*.” And like Gen. 3:15, Jacob's blessing was a **prophecy** of the coming of the Messiah - **TO** those of Judah, just as the blessing upon Joseph was a prophecy of His coming **TO** those of Joseph too (among both Jews *and* Gentiles). They are found on 2 Promised Lands east and west today ([endnote ?, The Key of David](#)). Our LORD's 1st coming as Isaiah's “*suffering servant*” (or Messiah ben Joseph) was for the *spiritual* salvation all the sons of Jacob (and others). His coming as “the conquering king” (or Messiah ben David) **in its fulness** will be seen in our day at the 2nd coming. There was also an important kingly element in His 1st coming.

Four days before His suffering on the cross, Jesus rode triumphantly into the Holy City on a young white donkey (see Luke 19; Zech. 9:9). This journey, starting in Bethany, proceeded down the western slope of the Mount of Olives, then into the Kidron Valley, and up into Jerusalem. Jesus rode the young animal while receiving the acclamations of the people. The animal and the acclamation were symbols that He was Israel's rightful King *and* their promised Messiah. This event occurred on Nisan 10 (our April 6) of 32 AD, perfectly fulfilling the prophecy in Daniel 9:24-27, and “to the day” (see [endnote ?, The Key of David](#)). This was “the day” spoken of in Psalm 118:24, when the people sang this Psalm as they laid “their clothes in the way” while Jesus descended Olivet on the white foal. They sang, “Blessed be the King that cometh in the name of the LORD” (see Luke 19:36; Zech. 9:9; Psalm 118:24-26).

Four days later on the Passover full moon (Nissan 14), Jesus as King and Messiah completed His earthly mission, conquering sin, death, and hell in His merciful Atonement. It began that Passover eve at the Last Supper. There Jesus washed the feet of His 11 brothers and then instituted the Sacrament or Communion ordinance for the first time. This covenant was sealed with broken bread and a cup of red **wine**. Both were consumed by all, symbolizing His torn flesh and spilt blood given for them and all humanity. His great suffering would begin that night. Riding the donkey back to the Mount of Olives, Jesus entered the Garden of Gethsemane, an olive orchard that may have featured grape vines too. There Jesus willingly begin the first portion of His atonement. Luke tells us that our LORD's suffering caused Him to bleed from every pore (see Luke 22:44). His mercy and love began reversing the effects of the Fall in Eden. Jacob's prophetic blessing upon Judah addresses Jesus's triumphal entry into Jerusalem as *conquering King* (Messiah ben David), *and* his entry into Gethsemane as *suffering servant* (Messiah ben Joseph). In the garden Jesus tied His white donkey to a **tree** (it may have had a grapevine wrapping around it) that He might pay the price of our sins! Jacob prophesied that King Jesus would wash His garments in His own blood for us – “the blood of grapes.” He stated:

“Binding his foal unto **the vine**, and his ass's colt unto **the choice vine**; he washed his garments in **wine**, and his clothes in **The blood of grapes**” (Genesis 49:11).

The foal Jesus rode in His *triumphal entry* into Jerusalem as King, was most likely the same animal He rode to the Mount of Olives to suffer for all. After tying the foal to a “**vine tree**,” Jesus began to pray to Father. The intense suffering then began. After His ordeal, Jesus was later captured in the early morning hours and thrown in a pit. He was then brutally scourged by professional Roman soldiers in what was called “chastisement by scorpions” (1 Kings 12:11 ASV). He was then tortured until death came on a crucifixion “**tree**.” Half of all references to the “cross” of Christ in the New Testament refer to it as a “**tree**” ([endnote ?, The Key of David](#)). It became the most **fruitful** of any tree ever, a “**tree of life**” for us all. Our Healer and Deliverer Jesus said, “Behold, **I make all things new**” (Rev. 21:5). Gethsemane and Galgary were both on the Mount of Olives, the setting where He will again

set foot at His glorious return (Zech. 14:4-11). The spilling of His precious blood on this mountain was necessary for our healing and eternal **life**. Sin, death and hell were vanquished there too, hell being our **separation** from God. There is one more prophecy in last, 12th verse of Jacob's blessing on Judah. It states:

“His eyes shall be **red with wine**, and his teeth white with milk.”

Our LORD's **red** eyes here do not reveal drunkenness with wine, but rather a future day of fury in **the wrath of God**, directed upon Israel's enemies in our day, when Jesus returns as a powerful Judge and King – the long awaited Messiah ben David. He will do so on “the great and dreadful day of the LORD,” treading the “**winepress** alone” (Isa. 63:3). Much of this coming judgment will be upon Satan and the “fallen Watchers” who have led the kings of the earth in open rebellion against God (see Psalm 2). In Isaiah 63, Revelation 19, Jesus returns with “**red** apparel.” It is the blood of the wicked this time, not His own. They will drink of the dregs of the cup of wrath of God. It will be a cup of trembling for them.

Note the *first* 8 scriptures associated with word “**wine**” in our Bible and its ties to the **serpent**.

1. *Leviticus 10:9* / Priests in the Tabernacle must **not drink wine** (because of its association with **sin** and **death** - in Eden).
2. *Numbers 6:3* / Nazarites must **avoid grapes & wine** (along with *death & cutting their hair*) because of its ties to **sin, death & idolatry**, as well as **hell** (separation from the Father). See the Nazarite Vow ties farther below.
3. *Deuteronomy 32:31-33* / Jesus is the God of the Israelites, their Rock in this “song of Moses.” “For their rock is not as our Rock, even our enemies themselves being judges. For *their vine* is of the **vine of Sodom**, and of the fields of Gomorrah: *their grapes* are **grapes of gall**, their clusters are *bitter*: **their wine is the poison of dragons**, and the cruel **venom of asps.**”
4. *Judges 13:4* / An angel told Samson's mother to **not drink wine** while pregnant with Samson (a Nazarite, a deliverer like Jesus).
5. *Psalms 104* / This song speaks of bread for strength, **wine** for gladness in the heart, and oil causing the face to *shine*. Used in moderation rather than excess, wine is useful as food, especially with bread and oil.
6. *Proverbs 20:1* / **Wine** makes one a **mock**er especially when there is drunkenness and excess.
7. *Proverbs 21:17* / Your *riches* will depart if you use **wine** excessively.
8. *Proverbs 23:12* / **Wine** “**biteth like a serpent, and stingeth like an adder.**”

Note also 8 of many events in scripture tied to the fruit of the vine, wine. The *first* and the *last* involve wine *as* blood symbolically.

1. The *forbidden fruit* of the grape is a central component of the Eden story, leading to the *forbidden* fruit of the womb.
2. The *first* of the LORD's miracles was that of turning water to **wine** at His own wedding at Cana with Mary (John 2).
3. The 12 spies sent into Canaan returned with large **grapes** and 10 of them had an evil report, fearful of *giants* (Num. 13).
4. Jacob's blessing on Judah is a prophecy of Jesus suffering in Gethsemane, the **blood of grapes** soaking his clothing (Gen. 49).
5. Jeremiah commends the Rechabites on behalf of God for keeping covenant with their father to *not drink wine* (Jer. 35).
6. King Belshazzar of Babylon with his wives and princes drank **wine** in the sacred cups of Solomon's Temple. In **idolatry** while drinking **wine**, they “praised the false gods of gold, silver, brass, iron, wood, and stone.” God's handwriting on the wall stated that the king had been weighed in the balances, found wanting, his kingdom finished. He died that night (Dan. 5).
7. The Galilean betrothal tradition involves wine. When a Bridegroom asks a woman to be his bride, he pours her a “cup of joy.” If she drinks it her answer to him is “yes.” The future husband then also drinks from the cup, vowing to not drink the fruit of the vine again, until he does so *with* her (a year later) as his bride in a wedding ceremony at his father's house. Jesus made a similar vow at the last supper with His 11 disciples (all participants were Galileans, except Judas, a Judean). See Luke 22:18.
8. The *last* judgment in our day will feature **the cup** of God's wrath, where the robes of Jesus are **red** with the **blood** of the wicked. Jesus treads “the **winepress** alone” (Isa. 63:3), “the **winepress** of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God” (Rev. 19:15), “I tread upon them in mine anger, and their **blood** have I sprinkled upon my garments, and stained all my raiment; for this was the day of *vengeance* which was in my heart [Isa. 61:2].”

Of the 256 “wine” scriptures in the Bible, nearly half are tied to negative behaviors, many others are neutral. Only a few are positive. One of the most positive is the “cup of joy” in the Galilean betrothal ceremony. Like Jesus following His crucifixion, Joseph of Egypt was “*separated*” from his 11 brothers for a time too. Rabbinic tradition says Joseph of Egypt did not drink wine until he did so with them again in Egypt. The wine there became a “cup of joy” for all. I know of 4 “cup of Joy” events, 2 or 3 involve Jesus. Joseph of Egypt was a type for Him and His future joyful reunion with His servants. The 4 events include:

1. The Galilean betrothal ceremony where the Bridegroom makes this vow (was the Cana story our LORD's own wedding?)
It is a type for our reunion with the LORD as His Bride.
2. By Jesus at the Last Supper. His vow there was with His 11 disciples or servants.
3. By Joseph of Egypt, when his vow “not to drink wine” was complete upon the reunion with his 11 brothers in Egypt.

Summary The fallen angels came to earth in Genesis 6:4 (producing a *forbidden* bloodline – the forbidden evil fruit of the womb). This may have been repeated by other fallen ones. The *forbidden* fruit in fermented wine or grape juice is addressed in the vow of the Nazarite – a “separate one” in Numbers 6:4. There the grape vine is called a “**vine tree**,” perhaps tied to the evil one in Eden as the *forbidden* tree or person there, the one offering *forbidden* knowledge to Eve. This long endnote began with the Nazarite Vow. In Ezekiel 15:2 “the **vine tree**” is a *useless branch burned* in the end, the final state of the evil one and those following him!

Opposite this tree is Jesus - “**the True Vine**” or “**Branch**” in John 15:1-4, a “**Tree of Life**” for those following Him! We should do everything in our power to connect with Him. He conquered *sin, death* and *hell* in the atonement, all 3 being **forbidden**

things in the Nazarite Vow. The “serpent seed” narrative was part of Father’s 3-part prophecy in Genesis 3:15. We know that literal seed from the fallen angels *was* introduced to earth in Genesis **6:4** and potentially at other times. This is not clear in Genesis 3 of the KJV. Other texts suggest this, however. The serpent did take advantage of Eve, but whether it was sexual *with* wine is another matter. It may have failed too. The KJV narrative says Eve and Adam were expelled from Eden *and* the presence of God. Satan did get revenge on Adam, Jesus and the Father there, and wants more. God rescued humanity through His precious Son Jesus in the threshold blood covenant symbolized in the 1st Passover. Jesus came to earth via the *virgin* Mary as “the seed of the woman.” That is the primary focus of the 3 prophecies of Genesis 3:15! May His Name be eternally praised – and that of the Father (and Mother).

For more on pre-Adamic peoples, see the last chapter of Tides of Transmutation, by Eric Smith.