Adam in the Garden

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Concerning Adam in the garden? What was he, man, god, or little spirit or big spirit. Luke 3:38 says that Adam was the son of God. Gen. 1:26 says, “And God said, let us make man in our image, after our likeness.”

Adam was the son of God made by the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit through the creative agency of their divine wisdom to be the physically expressed Son of God. Jesus Christ was the second expressed Son of God (“Second Adam” I Cor. 15:47). What was Jesus Christ before the cross, was he God? Yes, he was the offspring of God, and in him dwelt the fullness of God. In his flesh we know that Jesus was not perfected as the son until his death and resurrection as we know the meaning of the Psalmist words, “thou are my son, this day (resurrection day) have I begotten thee.”

So also was Adam God’s son while he was in the garden. He was spirit dwelling in flesh. He was the offspring of God. He was a deity in flesh and the Lord of all the earth. While Adam was made of the earth, His name means red dirt, he was not an animal or beast, but rather the form made of material substance was only the design through which the spirit lived. Just so with Jesus, he was born of flesh, and more so he was born of a woman, conceived by the Spirit. But his body also was only a design through which lived the divine Spirit, or the divine life. We need to remember that the true role of this universe, as Norman points out to us, is to be a means by which the universal Spirit, which is unknowable, becomes known to us through distinct forms. In other words, the purpose of forms and this universe is to serve the will of the Spirit. The universe itself is distorted by the fall of Satan and the fall of man, and groans in disarray until the manifestation of the sons of God.

I believe William Law is right. Adam had a heavenly and earthly body. Adam lived on earth but he was in heaven because
he lived in paradise, and heaven was the only realm present in him. He was pure in spirit and flesh, and his flesh responded only to the divine Spirit of life within him. The only way, in my opinion, that Adam was not complete prior to the fall was that he had not experienced the cross. The tree of life was not the point, had he chosen it, at which Adam became indwelt by the Spirit of God. He was a god and the son of God. The tree of life does not, in my opinion represent the indwelling by God, but rather the tree of life represents the cross. Why? Because the 7 spirits show us that there is no life without the cross. If the tree of life represents the source of eternal life, then it is the cross also for without the cross there is no eternal life. Adam did not chose the cross, but rather the dark principle. Remember not only is the cross the death to the dark principle and therefore death to evil, but the cross is also the door into the light principle. The cross is not an end, but a dialectic beginning. The same is so for Christians. I think too many evangelical preach the cross as an end for the search of God. It is the door, a most powerful door. You and I an others are now daring to look through the door as Norman has done, and as J.B. did to see the marvelous splendor on high. The Father urges us to merge into that splendor and to recognize our oneness with his brilliant and light.

Yes, William Law, in my opinion is exactly correct in saying that Adam was in the image of God, just the same as Jesus was the express image of the Father (Heb.1:2). Not the external form—it is only the convenient means through which we express ourselves. It was given to us by the Spirit so that we could come to first know ourselves, and then be called by God to reflect the dark principle which was stirred up in us by our father Adam and accept the light principle that is now flowing through us.

Yes, since Adam was the off spring of God and God’s life lived through him, he was in heaven always until the fall because God is always in heaven. So Jesus also was always in heaven, or better, heaven was always in Jesus until his death when he went to hell or better said hell was in him, but could not hold him. Why couldn’t it hold him? I’ll tell you, because the entire desire of God’s freedom was to be the son and no Hell ever, ever, ever can prevail against the infinite desire of the Father to be the Son !!! God wants to be
the son through you and me too. Through a vast family of sons, just like his son, who have died to evil and through the cross, born into true life light gentleness and rest. But it is a life for others for all true life is life for others.

So in my opinion, Adam was a deity before the fall. He did not know the cross, so he was never perfected. But it was God’s plan anyway, although, I suppose he could have chosen the tree, known the cross by being fully impregnated with the knowledge of the 7 spirits. Yet even as I say this, I doubt it because the dark principle was a closed door to God. God does not see the dark, as Norman teaches us so well. Better I think to say it was necessary for Adam to fall and then to find repentance. Jesus was perfect son because he so readily knew and accepted the Fathers plan to experience the dark principle the cross and then resurrection into the light principle. Jesus is perfected because in him, and in us now who accept him as our life, the 7 spirits are knowable and the underlying secret about the life of the Father, and its marvelous mysteries of freedom and by the 7 spirits into the revealed life which is made known to us.

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