

Tree-Ology

God's Plan?

Three Trees

1. In The Garden of Eden
2. At Calvary
3. The Eternal Kingdom's Tree of Life

This Tree-Ology, as I like to say, in part as spelled out in 1 Corinthians 15:1-4, Jesus' brutal death on the Tree, His burial, and His Resurrection would eventually deliver all of Creation from the curse in the Garden of Eden.

In Genesis 2, God created Adam, AW-DAM, the first man, and he was named after the minerals/dust of the ground called Earth, AW-DAMA. Being direct physical descendants of our great uncle Adam, the Apostle Paul makes it clear that all of Creation was bound up with Adam's Fall which had severe physical and spiritual consequences. Our bodies became cursed by disease and death, which was first brought into the world by Adam eating from the forbidden fruit of 'the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil'. From a human standpoint it seemed like all hope should have been lost! What was God's plan now? His Plan all along was to send His Second Adam.

The Second Adam was JESUS, a divine mixture of all man and all God. He was designed to reverse the Curse that the First Adam brought upon all of us when he disobeyed God's will in the Garden of Eden. The Tree's Fruit had no power to destroy, but it was breaking God's Divine Will that brought the punishment. God decided that the Second Adam was going to undo the Curse and redeem us through nailing him to another Tree, and the Tree was called the Cross of Calvary.

Jesus, also the Lamb of God (John 1:29), came to redeem us by being crucified on this symbolic Tree of Good and Evil. The Apostle Peter said "Who his own self bore our sins in his own body on the Tree, that we being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness; by whose stripes we were healed". (1 Peter 2:24)

God nullified Satan's power over us that he had won in the Garden of Eden. Satan couldn't have imagined that the Second Tree, the Cross, would be his undoing.

Lastly, in Revelation 22 in the New Jerusalem, the Third Tree, the Tree of Life will heal His people forever.

I hope you enjoyed this Tree-Ology!

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