

Case Study: Leadership Failures of Adam in the Garden of Eden

Adam's background

Adam was not only the first created leader of mankind, mentioned in the bible (except for the one and only God of course) (Genesis 1:1), who was strategically placed to rule in luxury for he had access to the most luxurious fortress of all times (Genesis 2:8). God not only afforded Adam the luxury to be able to live the American Dream, he placed Adam in such an upscale infrastructure, the humble abode was to dwell represented the ultimate spirit of God moved and rested upon the face of the waters which surrounded Adam's entire mansion which wasn't made by brick masons nor carpenters, but it burst into existence by the mere voice of the almighty God. The light fell into place by emerging from darkness, the waters swayed from within itself as God demanded the firmament to stay afloat on one hand and on the other hand laying low (Genesis 1:2-3). Day and night as well as morning and evening adhered to the imagination of God by appearing as he had expected it to (Genesis 1:8). Adam's back yard consisted of the very best grass, his beach house sat alongside some of the most beautiful seas, his trees bore some of the best fruit and he was given dominion over the best poultry and cattle in history (Genesis 1:9-25).

Adam's Duties

Adam was given strict instructions on how he was expected to lead within the Garden of Eden. Even though he was given dominion over everything and permission to dress his fortress, how he saw fit (Genesis 2:15), he was specifically forewarned not to eat from the forbidden tree and if such command was disobeyed, his penalty would result in death (Genesis 2:16).

Failure to comply

Even though Adam was living the American Dream, God realized he had no one to share his inheritance so his proud father granted him yet another life changing gift, his confidant, his ride or die, his wife, Eve (Genesis 2:22-23). Now that Adam was chosen to live the married life, he not only had a civic duty to rule over the garden, he is now ruler over his household, his wife Eve (Ephesians 5:23) who is to submit unto him as unto the Lord (Ephesians 5:22), yet Eve failed to do so, instead she submitted unto the will of Satan who convincingly assured her the forbidden tree wasn't forbidden. However, the directive wasn't given directly to Eve, it was given to Adam (Genesis 2:17), yet it was evident that Eve was aware the fore mentioned tree was forbidden for scripture show her dialoguing with Satan regarding the matter (Genesis 3:2-3).

It was God's vision and goal for the first couple to like Kings and Queens yet the fact that neither were able to adhere to their father's request, which was not to eat of the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil, both were cursed which resulted in them losing access to their Godly inheritance (Genesis 3:16).

End Results

God knew Adam and Eve failed to comply with the directive he had given them not just because he is omniscient (1John 3:20), but also by the manner in which the first couple had begun to engage with him confirmed error had occurred. They appeared to be self-conscious of their appearance therefore they attempted to dress themselves their person (Genesis 3:7). Instead of them walking freely through their humble abode, they began to shun the very presence of God fearfully which brought about a sense of confusion in regards to their identity and Godly purpose (Genesis 3:8-9). Adam's rebellion caused him to blame Eve or in return blamed Satan for their misfortune (Genesis (3:12-13). This act resulted in God cursing man and taking away his God-like status for now sin had been introduced to the world (Genesis 3:23-24).

Conclusion

God can grant man the world and everything in it yet when man loses focus on the vision and purpose of why they exist, often times Satan can tempt them gain that which they already possess. God had granted Adam and Eve full rule over the entire world yet Satan persuaded Eve that eating from the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil was going to make them equal with God however the bible confirms that man was made in God's image (Genesis 1:27).