

Weekly Written Response #2: Gilgamesh 1-5

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He brought back ancient and forgotten rites restored flood-damaged temples, and renewed statutes and sacraments for the good of the people and the Holy Land. He was two-thirds divine and one-third human. Who is like Gilgamesh? A man, a warrior, a hero: the brave Enkidu, as

strong and fierce as Ninurta, the god of war. The hair covered his body, and it grew thick on his head and hung down to his waist, like a woman's hair. He roams naked in the wilderness, far from human cities, eating grass with gazelles. So different yet the same, Gilgamesh and Enkidu become indispensable to each other's lives and are by each other's sides at many vital moments in their lives. I think they are like yin and yang, both opposites of each other, but only when they are together can they be complete, becoming each other's strength and weakness, happiness and joy, life and death.