



THE REVELATION OF MOSHEH

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ACCOUNT and life of A'dam and Eve, the first-created, revealed by Elohiym to His servant Moshe, when he received from the hand of Yahuah the tables of the law of the covenant, instructed by the archangel Mikha'el.

This is the account of A'dam and Eve. After they went forth out of paradise, A'dam took Eve, his wife, and went up into the east. And he remained there eighteen years and two months; and Eve conceived and brought forth two sons, Diaphotus called Qayin, and Amilabes called H'avel.

And after this, A'dam and Eve were with one another; and when they lay down, Eve said to A'dam her adonai: My adonai, I have seen in a dream this night the blood of my son Amilabes, who is called H'avel, thrown into the mouth of Qayin his brother, and he drank it wiyout pity. And he entreated him to grant him a little of it, but he did not listen to him, but

drank it all up; and it did not remain in his belly but came forth out of his mouth. And A'dam said to Eve: Let us arise, and go and see what has happened to them, lest perchance the enemy should be in any way warring against them.

And having both gone, they found H'avel killed by the hand of Qayin his brother. And Elohiym says to the archangel Mikha'el: Say to A'dam, Do not relate the mystery which you knowest to your son Qayin, for he is a son of wrath. But grieve thyself not; for I will give you instead of him another son, who shall show you all things, as many as you shalt do to him; but do you tell him nothing. This Elohiym said to His angel; and A'dam kept the word in his heart, and with him Eve also, having grief about H'avel their son.

And after this, A'dam knew his wife Eve, and she conceived and brought forth Sheth. And A'dam says to Eve: Behold, we have brought forth a son instead of H'avel whom Qayin slew; let us give glory and sacrifice to Elohiym.

And A'dam had thirty sons and thirty daughters. And he fell into disease, and cried with a loud voice, and said: Let all my sons come to me, that I may see them before I die. And they were all brought together, for the earth was inhabited in three parts; and they all came to the door of the house into which he had entered to pray to Elohiym. And his son Sheth said: Father A'dam, what is your disease? And he says: My children, great trouble has hold of me. And they say:

What is the trouble and disease? And Sheth answered and said to him: Is it that you remember the fruits of paradise of which you didst eat, and grieve thyself because of the desire of them? If it is so, tell me, and I will go and bring you fruit from paradise. For I will put dung upon my head, and weep and pray, and Yahuah will hearken to me, and send his angel; and I Shall bring it to you, that your trouble may cease from you. A'dam says to him: No, my son Sheth; but I have disease and trouble. Sheth says to him: And how have they come upon you? A'dam said to him: When Elohiym made us, me and your mother, for whose sake also I die, He gave us every plant in paradise; but about one he commanded us not to eat of it, because on account of it we should die.

And the hour was at hand for the angels who guarded your mother to go up and worship Yahuah; and the enemy gave to her, and she ate of the tree, knowing that I was not near her, nor the holy angels; then she gave

me also to eat. And when we had both eaten, Elohiym was angry with us. And Yahuah, coming into paradise, set His throne, and called with a dreadful voice, saying, A'dam, where are you? and why are you hidden from my face? shall the house be hidden from him that built it? And He says, Since you have forsaken my covenant, I have brought upon your body seventy strokes. The trouble of the first stroke is the injury of the eyes; the trouble of the second stroke, of the hearing; and so in succession, all the strokes shall overtake you.

And A'dam thus speaking to his sons, groaned out loud, and said: What shall I do? I am in great grief. And Eve also wept, saying: My adonai A'dam, arise, give me the half of your disease, and let me bear it, because through me this has happened to you; through me you are in distresses and troubles. And A'dam said to Eve: Arise, and go with our son Sheth near paradise, and put earth upon your heads, and weep, beseeching Yahuah that He may have compassion upon me, and send His angel to paradise, and give me of the tree in which flows the oil out of it, and that you mayest bring it to me; and I shall anoint myself, and have rest, and show you the manner in which we were deceived at first.

And Sheth and Eve went into the regions of paradise. And as they were going along, Eve saw her son, and a wild beast fighting with him. And Eve wept, saying: Woe's me, woe's me; for if I come to the day of the resurrection, all who have sinned will curse me, saying, Eve did not keep the commandment of Elohiym.

And Eve cried out to the wild beast, saying: O you evil wild beast, wilt you not be afraid to fight with the image of Elohiym? How has your mouth been opened? how have your teeth been strengthened? how have you not been mindful of your subjection, that you were formerly subject to the image of Elohiym? Then the wild beast cried out, saying:

O Eve, not against us your upbraiding nor your weeping, but against thyself since the beginning of the wild beasts was from you. How was your mouth opened to eat of the tree about which Elohiym had commanded you not to eat of it? For this reason, also our nature has changed. Now, therefore, you shall not be able to bear up if I begin to reproach you. And Sheth says to the wild beast: Shut your mouth and be silent and stand off from the image of Elohiym till the day of judgment.

Then the wild beast says to Sheth: Behold, I stand off, Sheth, from the image of Elohiym. Then the wild beast fled, and left him wounded, and went to his covert.

And Sheth went with his mother Eve near paradise: and they wept there, beseeching Elohiym to send His angel, to give them the oil of compassion. And Elohiym sent to them the archangel Mikha'el, and he said to them these words: Sheth, man of Elohiym, do not weary thyself praying in this supplication about the tree in which flows the oil to anoint your father A'dam; for it will not happen to you now, but at the last times.

Then shall arise all flesh from A'dam even to that great day, as many as shall be a holy people; then shall be given to them all the delight of paradise, and Elohiym shall be in the midst of them; and there shall not anymore be sinners before Him, because the wicked heart shall be taken from them, and there shall be given to them a heart made to understand what is good, and to worship Elohiym only. Do you again, go to your father, since the measure of his life has been fulfilled, equal to three days. And when his soul goes out, you wilt behold its dreadful passage.

And the angel, having said this, went away from them. And Sheth and Eve came to the tent where A'dam was lying. And A'dam says to Eve: Why didst you work mischief against us, and bring upon us great wrath, which is death, holding sway over all our race? And he says to her: Call all our children, and our children's children, and relate to them the manner of our transgression.

Then Eve says to them: Listen, all my children, and my children's children, and I shall relate to you how our enemy deceived us. It came to pass, while we were keeping paradise, that we kept each the portion allotted to him by Elohiym. And I was keeping in my lot the south and west. And the devil went into the lot of A'dam where were the male wild beasts; since Elohiym parted to us the wild beasts, and had given all the males to your father, and all the females He gave to me, and each of us watched his own. And the devil spoke to the serpent, saying, Arise, come to me, and I shall tell you a thing in which you mayst be of service.

Then the serpent came to him, and the devil says to him, I hear that you are more sagacious than all the wild beasts, and I have come to make your acquaintance; and I have found you greater than all the wild beasts, and they associate with you; notwithstanding, you doest reverence to one far inferior. Why eatest you of the tares of A'dam and his wife, and not of the

fruit of paradise? Arise and come hither, and we shall make him be cast out of paradise through his wife, as we also were cast out through him. The serpent says to him, I am afraid lest Yahuah be angry with me.

The devil says to him, Be not afraid; only become my instrument, and I will speak through your mouth a word by which you shalt be able to deceive him. Then straightway he hung by the walls of paradise about the hour when the angels of Elohiym went up to worship. Then Satan came in the form of an angel, and praised Elohiym as did the angels; and looking out from the wall, I saw him like an angel. And says he to me, Are you Eve? And I said to him, I am. And says he to me, What do you in paradise? And I said to him, Elohiym has set us to keep it, and to eat of it. The devil answered me through the mouth of the serpent, You do well, but you do not eat of every plant.

And I say to him, Yes, of every plant we eat, but one only which is in the midst of paradise, about which Elohiym has commanded us not to eat of it, since you will die the death. Then says the serpent to me, As Elohiym live, I am grieved for you, because you are like cattle. For I do not wish you to be ignorant of this; but rise, come hither, listen to me, and eat, and perceive the value of the tree, as He told us. But I said to him, I am afraid lest Elohiym be angry with me. And he says to me, Be not afraid; for as soon as you eat, your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as Elohiym in knowing what is good and what is evil. And Elohiym, knowing this, that ye shall be like Him, has had a grudge against you, and said, Ye shall not eat of it.

But do you observe the plant, and you shalt see great glory about it. And I observed the plant, and saw great glory about it, And I said to him, It is beautiful to the eyes to perceive; and I was afraid to take of the fruit. And he says to me, Come, I will give it to you: follow me. And I opened it to him, and he came inside into paradise, and went through it before me. And having walked a little, he turned, and says to me, I have changed my mind, and will not give you to eat.

And this he said, wishing at last to entice and destroy me. And he says to me, Swear to me that you wilt give also to your husband. And I said to him, I know not by what oath I shall swear to you; but what I know I say to you, By the throne of Yahuah, and the cherubim, and the tree of life, I will give also to my husband to eat. And when he had taken the oath from me, then he went and ascended upon it.

And he put upon the fruit which he gave me to eat the poison of his wickedness, that is, of his desire; for desire is the head of all sin. And I bent down the branch to the ground, and took of the fruit, and ate. And in that very hour mine eyes were opened. and I knew that I was stripped of the righteousness with which I had been clothed; and I wept, saying, What is this you have done to me, because I have been deprived of the glory with which I was clothed?

And I wept too about the oath. And he came down out of the tree and went out of sight. And I sought leaves in my portion, that I might cover my shame; and I did not find them from the plants of paradise, since, at the time that I ate, the leaves of all the plants in my portion fell, except of the fig alone. And having taken leaves off it, I made myself a girdle, and it is from those plants of which I ate.

And I cried out with a loud voice, saying, A'dam, A'dam, where are you? Arise, come to me, and I shall show you a great mystery. And when your father came, I said to him words of wickedness, which brought us down from great glory. For as soon as he came, I opened my mouth, and the devil spoke; and I began to advise him, saying, Come hither, my adonai A'dam, listen to me, and eat of the fruit of the tree of which Elohiym said to us not to eat of it, and you shalt be as Elohiym. And your father answered and said, I am afraid lest Elohiym be angry with me. And I said to him, Be not afraid, for as soon as you shalt eat you shalt know good and evil.

And then I quickly persuaded him, and he ate; and his eyes were opened, and he was aware, he also, of his nakedness. And he says to me, O wicked woman, why have you wrought mischief in us? You have alienated me from the glory of Elohiym. And that same hour we heard the archangel Mikha'el sounding his trumpet, calling the angels, saying, Thus saith Yahuah, Come with me to paradise, and hear the word in which I judge A'dam.

And when we heard the archangel sounding, we said, Behold, Elohiym is coming into paradise to judge us. And we were afraid and hid ourselves. And Elohiym came up into paradise, riding upon a chariot of cherubim, and the angels praising Him. When Elohiym came into paradise, the plants both of A'dam's lot and of my lot bloomed, and all lifted themselves up; and the throne of Elohiym was made ready where the tree of life was. And Elohiym called A'dam, saying, A'dam, where are you hidden, thinking that I shall not find you? Shall the house be bidden from him that built it?

Then your father answered and said, Not, Adonai, did we hide ourselves as thinking that we should not be found by You; but I am afraid, because I am naked, and stand in awe of Thy power, O Adonai. Elohiym says to him, Who hath shown you that you are naked, unless it be that you have forsaken my commandment which I you to keep it? Then A'dam remembered the word which I spoke to him when I wished to deceive him, I will put you out of danger from Elohiym. And he turned and said to me, Why have you done this?

And I also remembered the word of the serpent, and said, The serpent deceived me. Elohiym says to A'dam, Since you have disobeyed my commandment, and obeyed your wife, cursed is the ground in your labors. For whenever you labor it, and it will not give its strength, thorns and thistles shall it raise for you; and in the sweat of your face shall you eat your bread. And you shall be in distresses of many kinds. You shall weary thyself, and rest not; you shalt be afflicted by bitterness, and shall not taste of sweetness; you shalt be afflicted by heat, and oppressed by cold; and you shalt toil much, and not grow rich; and you shalt make haste, and not attain your end; and the wild beasts, of which you were adonai, shall rise up against you in rebellion, because you have not kept my commandment. And having turned to me, Yahuah says to me, Since you have obeyed the serpent, and disobeyed my commandment, you shall be in distresses and unbearable pains; you shall bring forth children with great trembling; and in one hour shall you come to bring them forth and lose your life in consequence of your great straits and pangs. And you shall confess, and say, Adonai, Adonai, save me; and I shall not return to the sin of the flesh. And on this account in your own words I shall judge you, on account of the enmity which the enemy hath put in you; and you shall turn again to your husband, and he shall be your adonai.

And after speaking thus to me, He spoke to the serpent in great wrath, saying to him, Since you have done this, and have become an ungracious instrument until you should deceive those that were remiss in heart, cursed are you of all the beasts. You shall be deprived of the food which you eat; and dust shall you eat all the days of your life; upon your breast and belly shall you go, and you shalt be deprived both of your hands and feet; there shall not be granted you ear, nor wing, nor one limb of all which those have whom you have enticed by your wickedness, and have caused them to be cast out of paradise.

And I shall put enmity between you and between his seed. He shall lie in wait for your head, and you for his heel, until the day of judgment. And having thus said, He commands His angels that we be cast out of paradise. And as we were being driven along, and were lamenting, your father A'dam entreated the angels, saying, Allow me a little, that I may entreat Elohiym, and that He may have compassion upon me, and pity me, for I only have sinned. And they stopped driving him. And A'dam cried out with weeping, saying, Pardon me, Adonai, what I have done.

Then says Yahuah to His angels, Why have you stopped driving A'dam out of paradise? It is not that the sin is mine, or that I have judged ill? Then the angels, falling to the ground, worshipped Yahuah, saying, Just are You, Adonai, and judge what is right. And turning to A'dam, Yahuah said, I will not permit you henceforth to be in paradise. And A'dam answered and said, Adonai, give me of the tree of life, that I may eat before I am cast out.

Then Yahuah said to A'dam, You shalt not now take of it, for it has been assigned to the cherubim and the flaming sword, which turneth to guard it on account of you, that you mayst not taste of it and be free from death forever, but that you mayst have the war which the enemy has set in you. But when you are gone out of paradise, if you shalt keep thyself from all evil, as being destined to die, I will again raise you up when the resurrection comes, and then there shall be given you of the tree of life, and you shalt be free from death forever.

And having thus said, Yahuah commanded us to be cast out of paradise. And your father wept before the angels over against paradise. And the angels say to him, What dost you wish that we should do for you, A'dam? And your father answered and said to the angels, Behold, you cast me out. I beseech you, allow me to take sweet odors out of paradise, in order that, after I go out, I may offer sacrifice to Elohiym, that Elohiym may listen to me.

And the angels, advancing, said to Elohiym, Yael, eternal King, order to be given to A'dam sacrifices of sweet odor out of paradise. And Elohiym ordered A'dam to go, that he might take perfumes of sweet odor out of paradise for his food. And the angels let him go, and he gathered both kinds—saffron and spikenard, and calamus and cinnamon, and other seeds for his food; and having taken them, he went forth out of paradise. And we came to the earth.

Now, then, my children, I have shown you the manner in which we were deceived. But do ye watch over yourselves, so as not to forsake what is good.

And when she had thus spoken in the midst of her sons, and A'dam was lying in his disease, and he had one other day before going out of the body, Eve says to A'dam: Why is it that you die, and I live? or how long time have I to spend after you die? tell me. Then says A'dam to Eve: Do not trouble thyself about matters; for you will not be long after me, but we shall both die alike, and you will be laid into my place. And when I am dead you will leave me, and let no one touch me, until the angel of Yahuah shall say something about me; for Elohiym will not forget me but will seek His own vessel which He fashioned. Arise, rather, pray to Elohiym until I restore my ruach into the hands of Him who has given it; because we know not how we shall meet Him who made us, whether He shall be angry with us, or turn and have mercy upon us. Then arose Eve, and went outside; and falling to the ground, she said: I have sinned, O Elohiym; I have sinned, O Father of all; I have sinned to You, I have sinned against Thy chosen angels, I have sinned against the cherubim, I have sinned against Your unshaken throne; I have sinned, O Adonai, I have sinned much, I have sinned before You, and every sin through me has come upon the creation. And while Eve was still praying, being on her knees, behold, there came to her the angel of humanity, and raised her up, saying: Arise, Eve, from your repentance; for, behold, A'dam your husband has gone forth from his body; arise and see his ruach carried up to Him that made it, to meet Him.

And Eve arose and covered her face with her hand; and the angel says to her: Raise thyself from the things of earth. And Eve gazed up into heaven, and she saw a chariot of light going along under four shining eagles—and it was not possible for any one born of woman to tell the glory of them, or to see the face of them—and angels going before the chariot. And when they I came to the place where your father A'dam was lying, the chariot stood still, and the

seraphim between your father and the chariot. And I saw golden censers, and three vials; and, behold, all the angels with incense, and the censers, and the vials, came to the altar, and blew them up, and the smoke of the incense covered the firmaments. And the angels fell down and worshipped Elohiym, crying out and saying: Holy Yael, forgive; for he is Your mage, and the work of Your holy hands.

And again, I Eve saw two great and awful mysteries standing before Elohiym. And I wept for fear, and cried out to my son Sheth, saying: Arise, Sheth, from the body of your father A'dam, and come to me, that you mayst see what the eye of no one hath ever seen; and they are praying for your father A'dam.

Then Sheth arose and went to his mother, and said to her: What has befallen you? and why weep you? She says to him: Look up with your eyes, and see the seven firmaments opened, and see with your eyes how the body of your, father lies upon its face, and all the holy angels with him, praying for him, and saying: Pardon him, O Father of the universe; for he is Your image.

What then, my child Sheth, will this be? and when will he be delivered into the hands of our invisible Father and Elohiym? And who are the two dark-faced ones who stand by at the prayer of your father? And Sheth says to his mother: These are the sun and the moon, and they are falling down and praying for my father A'dam. Eve says to him: And where is their light, and why have they become black-looking? And Sheth says to her: They cannot shine in the presence of the Light of the universe, and for this reason the light from them has been hidden.

And while Sheth was speaking to his mother, the angels lying upon their faces sounded their trumpets, and cried out with an awful voice, saying, Blessed be the glory of Yahuah upon what He has made, for He has had compassion upon A'dam, the work of His hands. When the angels had sounded this forth, there came one of the six-winged seraphim, and hurried A'dam to the Acherusian lake, and washed him in presence of Elohiym. And he spent three hours lying, and thus Yahuah of the universe, sitting upon His holy

throne, stretched forth His hands, and raised A'dam, and delivered him to the archangel Mikha'el, saying to him: Raise him into paradise, even to the third heaven, and let him be there until that great and dreadful day which I am to bring upon the world. And the archangel Mikha'el, having taken A'dam, led him away, and anointed him, as Elohiym said to him at the pardoning of A'dam.

After all these things, therefore, the archangel asked about the funeral rites of the remains; and Elohiym commanded that all the angels should come together into His presence, each according to his rank. And all the angels were assembled, some with censers, some with trumpets. And Yahuah of

Hosts went up, and the winds drew Him, and cherubim riding upon the winds, and the angels of heaven went before Him; and they came to where the body of A'dam was and took it. And they came to paradise, and all the trees of paradise were moved so that all begotten from A'dam hung their heads in sleep at the sweet smell, except Sheth, because he had been begotten according to the appointment of Elohiym.

The body of A'dam, then, was lying on the ground in paradise, and Sheth was grieved exceedingly about him. And Yahuah Elohiym says: A'dam, why have you done this? If you hadst kept my commandment, those that brought you down to this place would not have rejoiced. Nevertheless, I say unto you, that I will turn their joy into grief, but I will turn your grief into joy; and having turned, I will set you in your kingdom, on the throne of him that deceived you; and he shall be cast into this place, that you mayst sit upon him. Then shall he be condemned, he and those who hear him; and they shall be much grieved, and shall weep, seeing you sitting upon his glorious throne.

And then He said to the archangel Mikha'el: Go into paradise, into the third heaven, and bring me three cloths of fine linen and silk. And Elohiym said to Mikha'el, Gavri'el, Uriel, and Rafa'el: Cover A'dam's body with the cloths, and bring olive oil of sweet odor, and pour it upon him. And having thus done, they prepared his body for burial. And Yahuah said: Also let the body of H'avel be brought. And having brought other cloths, they prepared it also for burial, since it had not been prepared for burial since the day on which his brother Qayin slew him.

For the wicked Qayin, having taken great pains to hide it, had not been able; for the earth did not receive it, saying: I will not receive a body into companionship until that dust which was taken up and fashioned upon me come to me. And then the angels took it up and laid it on the rock until his father died. And both were buried, according to the commandment of Elohiym, in the regions of paradise, in the place in which Elohiym found the dust. And Elohiym sent seven angels into paradise, and they brought many sweet-smelling herbs, and laid them in the earth; and thus, they took the two bodies, and buried them in the place which they had dug and built.

And Elohiym called A'dam, and said: A'dam, A'dam. And the body answered out of the ground, and said: Here am I, Adonai. And Yahuah says to him: I said to you, Dust you are, and unto dust you shalt return.

Again, I promise you the resurrection. I will raise you up in the last day in the resurrection, with every man who is of your seed.

And after these words Elohiym made a three-cornered seal, and sealed the tomb, that no one should do anything to him in the six days, until his rib should return to him. And the beneficent Elohiym and the holy angels having laid him in his place, after the six days Eve also died. And while she lived, she wept about her falling asleep, because she knew not where her body was to be laid. For when Yahuah was present in paradise when they buried A'dam, both she and her children fell asleep, except Sheth, as I said.

And Eve, in the hour of her death, besought that she might be buried where A'dam her husband was, saying thus: My Adonai, Adonai and Elohiym of all virtue, do not separate me, Thy servant, from the body of A'dam, for of his members You made me; but grant to me, even me, the unworthy and the sinner, to be buried by his body. And as I was along with him in paradise, and not separated from him after the transgression, so also let no one separate us. After having prayed, therefore, she looked up into heaven, and stood up, and said, beating her breast: Elohiym of all, receive my ruach. And straightway she gave up her ruach to Elohiym.

And when she was dead, the archangel Mikha'el stood beside her; and there came three angels, and took her body, and buried it where the body of H'avel was. And the archangel Mikha'el said to Sheth: Thus bury every man that dies, until the day of the resurrection. And after having given this law, he said to him: Do not mourn beyond six days.

And on the seventh day, rest, and rejoice in it, because in it Elohiym and we the angels rejoice in the righteous soul that has departed from earth. Having thus spoken, the archangel Mikha'el went up into heaven, glorifying, and saying the Alleluia: Holy, holy, holy Adonai, to the glory of Elohiym the Father, because to Him is due glory, honor, and adoration, with His unbeginning and life-giving Ruach, now and ever, and to ages of ages. *Amen.*