

Chapter 23:

THE DESCENDANTS OF ADAM AND EVE

The genealogies of the patriarchs in Genesis 5 and 11, from Adam and Eve to Abraham, account for priestly descendants, that is, successive high priests who were not related by blood. The Heb. word "patriarch" translates as "head of a house or family". I have described in Chapter 13 that, symbolically, terms used in blood-related families are transferred to priestly or educational families. In Genesis 5 and 11, then, we most definitely deal with priestly families. From this viewpoint, it always bothered me to read in the genealogies that a patriarch was soandso old when his son was born and, promptly, that same year an author of a calculation put this newborn one into the office of a patriarch. Then I stumbled in the Apocrypha over an answer to this problem that satisfied my soul:

AT THAT TIME, HE (Enoch) SAID, WHEN MY 165TH YEAR WAS COMPLETED, I BEGAT MY SON MATHUSAL. AFTER THIS TOO I LIVED TWO HUNDRED YEARS AND COMPLETED OF ALL THE YEARS OF MY LIFE THREE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-FIVE YEARS... (11Enoch 1:1-2)

According to the genealogies Enoch was patriarch for 65 years, meaning, he was 100 years of age when he became patriarch. Enoch's example shows that, e.g., the years given for "Seth was born", or "Noah was born" do not designate the years of their physical births but the years of their appointments to the patriarchy. With this in mind we can, at the end of this chapter, eliminate an enigma that was traditionally held against Abraham.

During the Age of Silver (4000 B.C. to 2000 B.C.) the biblical patriarchs and their wise contemporaries around the world witnessed the steady decline in spirituality among their people. In every new generation fewer powerful sensitives matured. They also observed how ancient priesthoods expired for lack of enlightened leaders or members, a fate that had almost ended the priesthood of the sons of Adam, if Adam and Eve had not remanifested it. Through prophetic knowledge they were aware of the fact, that the Flying Serpent power would bear down heavily upon posterity. For

this reason the patriarchs as well as other wise spiritual leaders of the world prepared "Pillars of Stone" and "Pillars of Clay" to manifest the wisdom of the ages and spiritual history. The "pillars of clay", for instance, were clay tablets, written records which, in later centuries, became scrolls and books. Then, too, clay figurines in symbolic terms were produced, that were set up in chronological order in temples and, when interpreted, they were history books of another kind.

The early Egyptian pharaohs knew that they would never return to the same former body in a new life, and that it was not needed for the "afterlife" in the world of spirit. The preservation of their bodies, the paintings in their tombs, the art objects and so on, were meant as durable history books for posterity. In this sense, one ought to see the purpose of all royal tombs of the world. During later millennia, however, many traditions were kept because they were a sacred heritage. Whether its original meaning was still understood is another matter. The loss of understanding is timewise individualized for each tradition or culture.

After 2500 B.C. the most powerful sensitives, who had overcome the Flying Serpent power and had retained their enlightenment, were well aware of the fact that a total loss of spirituality --and even an understanding of it-- would occur among religious authorities of later times. Therefore, they invented material means supportive of enlightenment, so that it would be easier for future peoples to overcome the power of the Flying Serpent. By the way, this adversary to spiritual life was called in Hebrew "satan" and in Greek "satanas", meaning "adversary, opponent" to spiritual life. (Whosoever invented Satan, the Devil, in human form with horns, goat's feet, and a tail, so to scare people, had a vivid imagination and will have to answer God for that.) For the purpose of promoting spiritual (psychic) experiences sanctuaries were designed and constructed, and they were known as "holy" places because they contained specific energies which only initiates could cope with. Such sanctuaries were built in places where the ground radiation was beneficial. Then the kind of stones were used for building which were sensitive to, or in harmony with this ground radiation. The layout was calculated according to cosmic geometry. Inside these sanctuaries, temples, pyramids or ziggurats objects made of specific precious or semiprecious

metals or minerals were arranged in polarities, according to the bilateral asymmetry. These were energized most often by sacred sounds such as mantras. Some traditions developed rituals and ceremonies.

One of the most significant, and most detailed descriptions of such a holy place or sanctuary is available to us in the biblical books of Exodus, Leviticus and Deuteronomy concerning Moses' ark of the covenant and the tent of meeting. When I had interpreted these texts --and I am not educated in scientific fields-- I knew only that Moses worked with superior powers which he had somehow manifested in this arrangement. A study of the warnings Moses gave to those who worked within this sanctuary, the precautions they had to take, and what happens to those who ignore his law and come into the tent and near the ark, suggested that Moses worked with some sort of radiation. I was convinced of that when I read Leviticus 13, the chapter in which Moses recorded the difference between the symptoms of leprosy and those of a malignant, leprous disease. The description of the latter is identical with radiation burns. (The mission and achievements of Moses have become an individual book manuscript in our work.)

With thorough insight into Moses' "technical" work, who was one of a number of enlightened priests in the 2nd mill. B.C., who still had such wisdom, one recognizes the nature and purpose of specific setups already in much earlier temples, pyramids, oracles or tombs. For instance, the so-called tomb curses were not curses at all but well-intentioned warnings of the energies manifested in specific places.

For the purpose of creating such sanctuaries the contributing experts of the 5th or 4th mill. B.C., or even of later times, had to have had profound knowledge in the fields of geology, mineralogy, ground radiation (spirits of the ground), geometry, mathematics, atmospheric ionization (spirits of the heavens), astronomy, astrology, neurology, psychology etc. etc. etc. Therefore, let us not make the mistake of underestimating the intelligence of the patriarchs and their enlightened contemporaries of the world, for every kind of knowledge which they had not inherited from their predecessors, or that was not available to them off-hand but was needed, they obtained spiritually (psychically) from the source of ultimate truth.

This inference ought not to sound too strange and incredible in our time because we have the same faculties that our priestly ancestors had, except no one teaches us how to use them practically. Accidentally, inventors, artists, composers and other creative people tap the lowest levels of "God's computer chip" within each one of us while the ancient spiritual leaders were quite familiar with the greater part of it. They even controlled life-forces and this subject led our group to a rather interesting discussion about the biblical patriarchs.

Five members of our team and myself sat in my office and we had some questions about the long life-spans of the patriarchs, such as Noah's of 950 years which is, of course, incredible from a modern viewpoint. Some scholars suggest that the ancients of 5,000 years ago may have accounted for months in terms of years. Well, when we divided Adam's 130 years by twelve, for at the time he is said to have become the (spiritual) father of Seth, Adam would have been a little over ten years old then. Didn't work. It was even worse in Enoch's time who was 65 years patriarch when Methuselah became his (priestly) son, meaning, 65 divided by 12 would have made Enoch a little over five years old then. One of us had read Saint Augustine's book, *"City of God"*, in which the author had tried the same calculation and had arrived at the same conclusions that we had just considered. On the other hand, in IIEnoch 16:4-6 (Apocrypha) we read that a year had 365 1/4 days; every fourth year completes the time (leap year). The same calculation was used a thousand years later in Noah's time, according to the Book of Jubilees (Apocrypha).

Cautiously, some of us considered that the patriarchs were powerful sensitives and also healers who prevented lingering diseases and premature death. Did their ability to heal, and to control life-forces spiritually (psychically) contribute to long life-spans? I referred to Gen. 6:3 which contains, that God's Spirit will not abide in Adam....but his days shall be 120 years. This verse would not be needed, if longer life-spans had not existed earlier. Tony and Danny smirked at me and Tony asked, "Do you actually believe that the patriarchs lived that long?" "Unless you can disprove these biblical statements, I remain reserved," I replied, and they looked at me as if they pitied my "simple faith". On the

following day, December 15, 1980, an article entitled "*Methuselah! We shall live to be 800!*" was published on the science page of "*The Toronto Star*". It described the modern research on long life-spans. Experts of the Salk Institute aim to set back the "clock of aging" with the technical and medical means of modern sciences. A subtitle reads, "By 2025 we will have sufficient knowledge to be biologically immortal." Cited is August Kinzel, former president of the Salk Institute of Biological Studies, who stated that accidents will be essentially the only cause of death, once the problem of reversing the genetic clock has been solved. Gerontologist Richard Cutler suggests a family of genes called the major histocompatibility complex (MHC) is the "super-gene" control. He said, "Finding a way to regulate this gene might mean we could postpone the whole spectrum of aging."

When I had finished reading this article, mischief got the better of me and I phoned Tony who, too, had read the article. We agreed that a person of the year A.D. 2500, who might be 450 years old, would read about the patriarchal long life-spans from a viewpoint that is totally different from our present one. We also agreed upon the fact, that one cannot place the blueprint of our technological societies over that of spiritually gifted people. Since we lack living examples we doubt what we do not know, meaning, it often depends on one's personal viewpoint and experience. Thus all of us kept an open mind toward the life-spans of ancient blessed people, and I hope that readers, too, can now take a more positive approach to these accounts in Genesis 5 and 11.

As I have mentioned above, the patriarchs and their enlightened contemporaries of the 4th and 3rd millennia B.C. were extremely busy people, who did their utmost to maintain genuine spirituality in their priesthoods for as long as possible, in spite of the interference of the subtle powers of the Flying Serpent. Their missions extended into many fields of work, in addition to producing durable records, Pillars of Clay and of Stone, for posterity. In the beginning of the 4th millennium B.C., when the Age of Bronze commenced, materialistic-mindedness increased steadily among the general population, an increase which led, naturally, to a weakening of interest in spiritual values. It therefore took some patriarchs more than a

century before they found reliable successors to the patriarchy because in every new generation fewer powerful sensitives matured.

Let us take a brief glance at the history of the prediluvian patriarchs and what we can learn from it. For the purpose of giving time elements I would like to use the dates from our own calculation of the genealogies, which we have made independent of generally accepted dates (GAD) that place all history from Moses' exodus backward in time about 200 years later than our calculation, and the debates are endless. I also would like to avoid the terms "Adam was 130 years old, when Seth was born..." because, in truth, this text ought to read, "Adam was patriarch for 130 years when Seth succeeded him". So, ^{although} ~~also~~ I use traditional phrases the meaning is as explained above:

Gen. 5:3-32 -

Adam was born	4172 B.C.
Adam was 130 years old when Seth was born	4042 B.C.
Seth was 105 years old when Enosh was born	3937 B.C.

(Heb. "Enosh" - plural of "ish" - husbandman, meaning that there were, at that time, at least three spiritual leaders in the priesthood. Otherwise, it is written that Adam and also all other patriarchs had "other sons and daughters" who are not mentioned by name, because they did not head the priesthood of the mother congregation "Eve".

Enosh was 90 years old when Cainan was born	3847 B.C.
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The name "Cainan" translates as "one acquired", meaning, he was not raised by Enosh's congregation of initiates. Evidently, seniority rights did not count in those days but the most blessed people were respected, independent of their nationality or family ties. In fact, the Greeks had the same system. The word "aristocracy" originates in the Greek words "aristos" - best, and "kratos" - rule.

Cainan was 70 years old when Mahal'alel was born 3777 B.C.

The name "Mahal'alel" means "God is glorious". This conveys to us that, at that time, the power of God was great among the members of the priesthood, a very promising development in these times of an otherwise dramatic decline in spirituality among mankind.

Mahal'alel was 65 years old when Jared was born 3712 B.C.

Oh dear, the name Jared translates as "descender", meaning, glorious times were brief among the members of the priesthood of the sons of Adam, for it was in Jared's time that the Second Fall of Adam occurred. During that generation highly enlightened ones reincarnated for the purpose of assisting with the preservation of spirituality for longer but, instead, they did the opposite. They are mentioned briefly in Gen. 6:1-4 but Enoch, in I Enoch 6-15, described in detail that they became involved with and taught witchcraft and sorcery and, consequently, did great harm to the reputation of the priesthood. Thus Jared had a very rough time finding an enlightened successor.

Frequently one can get the impression that Genesis 1-11 is a mere summary account of early biblical history, while much detail is given in the Old Testament Apocrypha.

Jared was 162 years old when Enoch was born 3550 B.C.

The name "Enoch" is the Heb. term for "teacher", and Enoch was a great teacher, a "man who walked with God" according to Gen. 5:22, for which reason it is difficult to understand why his books were removed from our Bibles.

Enoch was 65 years old when Methuselah was born 3485 B.C.

Methuselah was 187 years old when Lamech was born 3485 B.C.

The name "Lamech" means "piercer, slayer", which does not describe the nature of the patriarch but that of the spiritual standard of the priesthood which was evidently in poor shape by then, for Lamech expressed after finding Noah (Heb. "Noe" - meaning "rest, relief"):

Gen. 5: 29 - ... AND (Lamech) CALLED HIS NAME NOAH, SAYING, " OUT OF THE GROUND (Heb. "adamah") WHICH THE LORD HAS CURSED, THIS ONE SHALL BRING US RELIEF FROM OUR WORK AND FROM THE TOIL OF OUR HANDS."

In other words, Noah was again one of the most powerful sensitives who was thus able to work with the Adamah and perceived accurate instructions for the priesthood's survival of the Deluge. And if it had not been for Noah this priesthood might have expired in the middle of the 3rd millennium B.C. like many others, some of which are only mentioned in postdiluvian records.

Our interpretation of Noah's time and the Deluge has become an individual book manuscript, because of the immense amount of detail --not only from the Scriptures but from around the world-- that requires one's attention before a clear picture of the events of circa 2500 B.C. can be seen in the proper light. The traditional concept of the Flood and the resting place of the Ark on the peak of Mount Ararat (17,000 ft. above sea level) are not contained in any ancient texts. We found that worldwide atmospheric upheavals materialized in local catastrophes in countless places on a global scale. Noah's Flood, too, was confined to Mesopotamia, today's southern Iraq, as Sir Leonard Wolley stated already in 1926 according to the geological and archaeological evidence he found. Furthermore, the Hebrew version of Gen. 8:4 reads:

... AND THE ARK CAME TO REST IN THE HILLS OF THE HIGHLANDS.

(The word "hills" is in Heb. "har" and "highlands" is in Heb. "ar'arat"). If today's devoted Ararat climbers, who search for Noah's Ark, would read Enoch's description of the Deluge --which he foresaw a thousand years before it happened-- they would not climb Ararat but search in the hills of

the Zagros Highlands, east of Babel, as the Scriptures state in various passages.

After the Deluge life-spans decreased rapidly and by several centuries for each new patriarch. Their offices as patriarchs did not exceed 35 years, and there was none of whose time it could have been said that "God was glorious" among them. Only Terah was patriarch for 70 years. In Gen. 10:25 we read that during Peleg's time a division occurred. According to Jubilees (Apocrypha) some of Noah's priestly descendants travelled to Babel where they got involved with building the city and the tower. Others must have returned to Ur of the Chaldees --the city to which Noah and his immediate priestly descendants did not return-- for we find Nahor, Terah and Abraham and their followers back in Ur. Nahor is said to have been a maker of idols, and that is also said of Abraham's priestly brother Haran. Times were truly bad toward the end of the Age of Bronze, about 2000 B.C., and the beginning of the Age of Iron. In Jubilees it has been recorded that some of the religious leaders of the priesthood of the sons of Noah warred against each other. It is therefore not surprising that the enlightened Terah, Sarah and Abraham gathered in their followers and left this forsaken residence and continued the priesthood elsewhere. Again we must wonder if the priesthood might have expired there, if it had not been for Terah and Abraham? Now let us look briefly at a traditional accusation against Abraham which he never deserved:

Abraham was not the physical but the priestly son of the patriarch Terah, his spiritual father and teacher. Sarah, too, was a priestess and one of Terah's students. Thus Sarah was Abraham's priestly sister and, consequently, they did not commit incest when they married; they were not related by blood.

Truth is that today's members of the same Christian congregations address each other as brothers and sisters. Moreover, students of the same year and the same faculty at university are brothers. These terms survive the ages but they are evidently not considered by today's researchers when the history of our biblical ancestors is interpreted.

During Abraham's time, however, this situation changed. Abraham complained to the Lord that one of his followers, a Syrian from Damascus, will most likely become patriarch after him. That's when a new covenant was made with Abraham, according to which his physical descendants were to become patriarchs after him. The author of these chapters in Genesis emphasized repeatedly that from then on physical sons were involved, not priestly sons only. He stressed that both Abraham and Sarah were no longer young. In fact, when the three visitors came to Abraham --the men who later continued their journey to Sodom and Gomorrah-- and they prophesied that Abraham and Sarah would indeed have a son of their own the following year, Sarah laughed and said,

Gen. 18:12 - THEREFORE SARAH LAUGHED WITHIN HERSELF, SAYING,
"AFTER I HAVE GROWN OLD, SHALL I HAVE PLEASURE, MY LORD
BEING OLD ALSO?"

Gen. 17:17 contains that Abraham was then almost a hundred years old and Sarah ten years younger than he. All of these things have been recorded in great detail, so that the reader may not overlook the fact that with Abraham a new covenant commenced, one that did not exist in earlier times. During the Age of Bronze (4000 B.C. to 2000 B.C.) the swift decline in spirituality and the increase of materialistic-mindedness caused priesthoods to elect the most gifted or blessed sensitives to become patriarchs. In Abraham's time, then, it appears that family ties and obligations were a safer method of continuing a traditional heritage than working with and relying on elected people. Besides, truly gifted sensitives were very rare at that time, and they became even more ^{rare} seldom during the Age of Iron (2000 B.C. to the time of Christ). We know from the Scriptures that, if powerful sensitives entered the scene and did not agree with religious authorities and royalties, they were persecuted, incarcerated or killed. Isaiah was sawn into half with a common woodsaw in the market place. Jeremiah was jailed and then put into a deep, dry well, from where a negro rescued him secretly. The Son of God, then, was crucified. During the last of the Five World Ages, that of Clay (from Christ's time to A.D. 2000), anyone who showed some sensitivity was, at once, accused of being in league with Satan. Thus more than one million men

and women in Europe were burned alive on the stake during the Middle Ages.

In other words, God's truth and His blessings were totally unknown during the present age, and the ancients named it rightly the Age of Clay, for clay is not even a metal; it shatters when it falls or dissolves in water. This image, then, symbolizes the nature of man's faith during the present World Age. Yet a new one is to commence within less than a decade, when enlightenment will once more increase among mankind.