

FURTHER QUESTIONS

What if Eve did not listen to the NOCHOSH translated the snake. Would all humans live eternally? Would they have children . If yes , Where would all humans fit in this world? Where would they get food and fuel ?

Who was this Nochosh?

Why did Eve listen?

What was the big deal of eating from the tree of wisdom? G-d created ADAM-MAN/WOMAN in His image . G-d has wisdom . So why would He deny Adam to have wisdom , too ?

What great wisdom did Adam and Eve attain? When they ate from the tree of wisdom their eyes were opened and they realized that they were naked. They suddenly felt guilty of roaming around naked. They covered their private parts with leaves Such an act of being covered is to be praised, not condemned. They and all of mankind were cursed with death Why ?

If Adam and eve sinned why punish their children? Isn't it a maxim of the Torah that no parent is to die for the sin of his children and no child is to die for the sins of his parents . Each man/woman is to die -punished for his /her own sins.

The story of Adam Eve and the snake is a beautiful story because it emphasizes these issues. The concept of Original sin is a central doctrine of all mid Eastern Mystery religions and is later adopted by Christianity has Original sin as the center piece of their faith. They all believe that the son of god is crucified to atone for the sins of Adam.

All the questions that I raise apply to the concept of Original sin.

I respectfully submit that the story of Adam Eve and the snake is not to be read literally but rather is a great lesson that the Torah is teaching. The Torah emphasizes that Adam Man/woman are junior partners to G-d, not in creation, but in the maintenance of the universe. Adam Man /Woman must recognize who he/she is. They are the created not the creator. There exist in the universe matters events experiences that make no sense to them. But it does make sense to G-d. Just like no Adam Man / Woman can comprehend the Essence of G-d so too no Adam Man /Woman can comprehend and make sense of every experience that befalls him / her or any commandment of G-d.

One of the Rockefellers donated for public use land . However he stipulated that one day a week no one should use or enjoy this facility. The reason is because he did not want to relinquish ownership of this domain. By forbidding the public from enjoying the use of his property he retained title and did not relinquish ownership.

This precisely is the rationale of G-d forbidding enjoying the tree of wisdom. What ever the tree of wisdom really was is immaterial. If Adam and Eve did not become rocket scientists after eating from the tree is immaterial. What is important is that they violated G-d's wishes. What Adam Man/Woman failed to acknowledge that they are the created and have boundaries. If they violate such boundaries they cause eventual death for themselves and all their offspring.

G-d was not meting out punishment . When Adam Man/Woman violate and cross the line they automatically no longer are in the domain of Paradise and ever lasting life but have entered a new life a new domain of limited life. Adam/ Man Woman lived 970 years and then died. His offspring not living in Paradise likewise were living in a different domain where all creatures die. Thus it was not G-D who was punishing the offspring of Adam , but unfortunately these children lived in a different domain in a different world where death was a fact of life. Yes, their parents were responsible in losing Paradise -a world of eternal life. But the parents passed

the genes of a life with eventual death after a number of years. Thus the story of Adam Eve and a talking snake who enticed Eve does not make sense if taken literally. Yes, it occurred but not literally. There exist hidden secrets in this story that I have not been privileged to learn. However the Torah has millions of faces and millions of truths are hidden there. What I reported above I hope is one of the truths passed on to Moses at Sinai 3500 years ago.

Every word of the Torah spells another name of G-d. Aruch Hashulchon Orech Chaim 47:1 . G-d uses the Torah as a blueprint to create the world. Mishle Proverbs 8: 22-31 .

Man only knows about the action of G-D ; never about the ESSENCE AND SUBSTANCE OF G-D . All the attributes of G-D refer to the action to the verbs of WHAT G-D does or appears to man as doing. The attributes of G-D are what man can perceive and recognize. If G-d uses the Torah as His blueprint to create the universe it means that in the Torah are hidden the secrets of creation. Since creation is the work ONLY of G-D it means that the words of the Torah represent other attributes of G-d or names of G-D . The attributes of G-D are not only found in the written Torah the five books of Moses the Pentateuch and the prophets and the Tanach the Bible but also in the Oral law the Talmud writings of the Rabonei Savroi Gaonim Rishonim Achronim millions of Responsa for the last 2000 years Shulchan Aruch with all the commentators as well as the millions of interpretations of each serious scholar in each generation. Babylonia Talmud Menochot 29b Jerusalem Talmud Payoh 3a , 13a . Aruch Hashulchon Orech CHAIM 47;1,7, 8 RAMBAM end of Shmita Veyovel 13:13. "Not only can an individual from the tribe of Levi elect to be teachers and thinkers of philosophy and theology ; but any man in the entire world can elect such a role. "The Radvaz adds "all this is true as long is that individual is self sufficient earns his her own living and the community need not support him/her." This is the position of the Rambam . All Rabbis must have a profession trade or

business and not earn their livelihood from the Rabbinate

I believe that the serious thinking of every man/woman in the entire world is considered by G-d and was taught by G-d at Sinai to Moses 3500 years ago. This is true regardless if G-D considered such thinking as being accurate or not. Inaccurate thinking- what appears to other men/women as stupid ideas may have a kernel of truth. Even if they do not merit any such designation ; but airing such ideas and showing that they are dead wrong has positive value to prove to others to explain why they are dead wrong. There exist no stupid questions, the only ones who are stupid are the ones who have no patience to reflect on those ideas that seem to be outlandish and prove that they are in fact wrong. This can not be done by being uncivil and failing to give every idea its day in court. Judaism survived 4000 years because of this attitude. We are not afraid of the truth. Truth frees men/women . We are afraid only of intolerance. Expressing unconventional ideas. Ideas that are out of the box are the life blood of Jewish survival and the life blood of every democracy and free people. It may be necessary to repackage Judaism not change one iota of G-d given Torah in order to appeal to a new world vision of Jews living today as opposed to the world view of Jews who lived 50 100 150 200 or 1000 years ago. This is what Rambam did when he wrote the Morei Nevuchim the Guide for the Perplexed, what Saadei Gaon did Sefer Hoemunah Vodaot, The Kuzri ,the Sefer Hoikrim by rav Yoseph Elbo , Moshe Luzatu in his valuable books Derech Hashem The Way of G-d The Knowing G-d The Path of The Just Rav Chaim Velozoner in his Nefesh Hachaim the Malbim in his commentary to ther Pantatech and Tanaach. All the other commentaries on the Pentateuch and Tanaach. Rashi ,Even Ezero, Ramban Targum Unkelos Targum Yerushalmi yoneson ben Uzriel, Sifsei Chachomim , Oh Chayim Kli Yokar Siporna all Midrohim Agadatas Zohar with all translations Ivrit -Hasulom , Harry Sperling Maurice Simon -

English translation Zohar; Shamsón Rafael Hirsh in his commentaries on the Pentateuch Psalms his Philosophy masterpiece Horev and his Collected Essays.

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At the end of time after the Messiah comes- many many centuries later - humanity will regain entry to Paradise and ever lasting life . Then all the dead will rise from their graves and will live for ever. G-d will expand the size of the planet earth

And there will exist sufficient food fuel and all other necessary items to accommodate this expanded population of zillions of humans. All mankind will live in peace in accordance with the prophecies of all Jewish prophets. This is what would have happened would Eve and Adam not listened to the Nochosh translated snake. Yes, Adam and Eve would have had children . Their children would have had children . No one would have died. They all would have lived to eternity. There would not have been any wars no killings. Cain would never have killed Abel. All the topics of death wars widows divorce in the Torah and Talmud would have been studied theoretically. In as if situation. Would Eve and Adam have eaten from the tree of wisdom then they would depart from Paradise and entered the valley of death. Under such conditions all the Torah teachings that involve death and the consequences of death would have been actual. Today we have a reverse situation. Death and the consequences of death is the reality. We can only imagine what would have happened would Eve and Adam not have eaten from the tree of wisdom what ever the tree of wisdom was in reality. The Tanya written by the first Lubavizer Rebbi has a similar scenario as how Jews will study Torah after the Messiah comes all the dead will be resurrected no one will die. What happens to all the sections of the Torah that deal with death and the consequences of death on the spouses. The Tanya offers a similar answer that the study of these subjects will be in a theoretical sense what were Jewish men or woman supposed to do before the coming of the Messiah before the dead were resurrected before no one dies.

G-d prepares contingency plans contingency laws that become operational under changed circumstances. This is the meaning that there exist 49 faces to each law in the Torah. .

One wonders as to the answer G-d replied to Moses in Shmos Parshes Ki Siso Exodus 33 :20-23 Moses requested to see G-d's face . G-d replies" you can see my back but no man can see my face and live. "

What is meant by face and back of G-d ? G-D does not have a face or back?

COMMENTARY

I respectively suggest that a possible answer might be the following:

By face is meant the Essence of G-d . Moses wanted to understand and know the Essence of G-d . G-d replied no human can comprehend my essence and remain a human alive in this world.

By back is meant the Verbs the actions the attributes of G-d what G-d does how G-d's Providence interacts with the universe and with humans. How G-d rewards the righteous and punishes the evil humans. That G-D agreed to show Moses.

The Talmud Bavali Menochot 29 b records a conversation that Gd had with Moses during the 40 days Moses was at Mt. Sinai 3500 years ago. G-d informs Moses that certain laws of the Torah would first be born 1500 2000 3000 years later. One group of laws would be created by Akiva ben Yoseph -Rav Akiva . He would use as precedent existing principles given by G-d at Mt. Sinai and derive other laws not taught before. It were these new laws that G-d showed Moses . These laws Moses would not teach the Jews. They would first make their debut with the coming of Rav Akiva. However these laws are construed as Divine. Moses asked G-d if Akiva ben Yosef is such

a great man why don't you give all the Torah by him ? Moses did not receive an answer.

Moses then requested to discover the reward of Rav Akiva. G-d showed him that Rav Akiva would be tortured to death by the Romans following the failed revolution of Bar Kochbo in 130ACE. Moses then exclaimed "Zeh Torah vezeh schoro? is this the reward for a great scholar who creates laws that G-d deems them to be Divine? " G-d replied " shetok zeh hoyou milfonai keep silent such is my decree ".

G-D did not reveal his answer, rather G-d showed Moses through prophesy what awaits the Jews for the next 3500 years all their tragedy trials and tribulations and the eventual resurrection of the State of Israel in 1948. Now Moses realized that there exists justice and mercy in Divine Providence. Yes, many righteous men suffer and are tortured and killed Unfortunately when G-d is visiting His anger upon the world the innocent perish together with the wicked. Miracles do not always occur As a matter of fact they rarely occur and sometimes never occur. Six million Jews and one half million Jewish children were killed by the Nazis with the full complicity of the entire world not only the Europeans.

Where was G-d? Where was G-D'S Providence?

Adam man /woman are the created not the creator. This question my mother posed to my grandfather. He replied just like we do not know the Essence of G-d so we do not know the reason for the holocaust. There exists a reason. If we see the creation of the State of Israel after 2000 years of anti Semitism and the anti Semitism has not subsided .We sense a pattern of Divine Providence in the establishment of the resurrected Jewish State of Israel established with the consent of all the anti-Semites and the communists and capitalists all voting together. This following in the ashes of the holocaust.

Why did six million and one half million Jewish children have to die before ? This is a question we pose to G-d If G-d has an argument why Jews are not religious we have a counter argument where was G-d during the holocaust ?

The Jew must learn to live with question marks. That is life. This is reality. That is the reason why pekuach nefesh doche kol hatorah kulo. The saving of a human life trumps the entire Torah the entire international laws And certainly trumps all the lies and fabricated narratives of the Palestinians the Arabs the United Nations the Security Council. All their pronouncements are null and void just like they are null and void. .

A Jewish Israel is existential for the survival of Jews and every freedom loving person in the entire world. A Jewish Israel is the only thing that is right in the Middle East.

See Rashi on Baylonioan Talmud Ksubos 57a for the above explanation citation from Torah Temimo on Kohelet 12:11 note 87. See also Talmud Bavali Chagiga 3b;Jerualem Talmud Shabbos 86: Chapter 2: 20; Jerusalem Talmud Chagiga Chapter 2 :1, 7 Jerusalem Talmud Sanehdrin Chapter 10:1 , 36 Tosefta Sotah Chapter 7:7.

Rav Akiva and the six million and one half million Jewish Children would be compensated in the world to come. See Talmud Shabbot 86 87 88 . Also their souls could very well reincarnate in an other body in a different time period- according to the Zohar .

True , the Hindus also believe in reincarnation. So what. So we both have the truth. When a person thinks logically he will encounter the thoughts of many other logical thinkers. All of them could have thought of the same concept with out necessarily borrowing from each other.

All I can state is that classical Jewish thought in the Babylonian and Jerusalem Talmud is silent about reincarnation. It only appears in the Zohar - that discusses Jewish mysticism. The classical Rabbinical attitude is "an li esk benistorot I have no business dwelling in mysticism."

Jews prefer living with a question mark for those who do not accept the above answer. For those who do not feel satisfied, well save your question and present it directly to G-d.

G-d tested Abraham when he ordered him to sacrifice Isaac. Abraham on the other hand tested G-d who contradicted himself. Earlier G-d promised Abraham that G-d would give the land of Israel to the children of Isaac . Isaac at the time when Abraham was ordered to sacrifice him had no children , Thus G-d ordering Abraham to sacrifice Isaac in effect contradicted himself. Abraham proceeded on his journey to sacrifice Isaac and ipso facto was testing G-d. G-d accepted Abraham's readiness and good

intention of listening to G-d to sacrifice Isaac as though he actually carried out the sacrifice. At the end an Angel stopped Abraham from sacrificing Isaac. A ram appeared and was sacrificed instead of Isaac. See Jerusalem Talmud Payoh 8 9 10

So too, the Jews are testing G-d if He will come to their aid and save them from all the enemies in the modern resurrected State of Israel. Is the message of all the Prophets Adam Eve Noah Shem Abraham Sara Isaac Rebecca Jacob Leah Rachel Moses Aaron Mirriam Joshua Samuel Eliyohu Hanovi [Elija] Elisha David Solomon Isaiah Jeremiah Izakiel Hoshea Amos Ovadia Yoneh Micha Nachum Habakuk Tzfanian Chagi Zecharye Melachi Ezra Nechemya Daniel Devorah Hulda to be proven false? All of them reported that the Jews will return to Israel. And they will never be exiled again. Are all these prophets one big lie ?

Jews are mandated by G-D'S LAW TO USE EVERY MEANS EVERY WEAPON AVAILABLE TO FIGHT FOR THEIR LIVES AND LOVES -THE LAND OF ISRAEL. THE ENTIRE WORLD WILL REMAIN ALIVE FOR EVER for ETERNITY WHEN THEY HELP THE JEWS SECURE ALL OF HISTORICAL AND NEW ISRAEL YEHUDAH SHOMRON GOLAN GAZA AND OF COURSE JERUSALEM.

THE MORE THE PALESTINIANS REFUSE TO BE REASONABLE AND INSIST UPON DISPLACING THE JEWS THE GREATER IS G-D'S BLESSING. THIS IS DIVINE PROVIDENCE. LIKE THIS ALL REASONABLE PEOPLE WILL SIDE WITH THE JEWS. THE PALESTINIANS AND ALL THE ARABS WILL END UP WITH NOTHING.

See also Talmud Bavali Shabbot 88b 89a ; Talmud Yerushalmi Sanedrin Chapter 4 :2 for other discussions that Moses had with G-d during the 40 days at Mt. Sinai 3500 years ago.

G-d explained to Moses that He wants diversity of opinions . . He welcomes different ideas. Other wise the world would not be able to exist Jerusalem Talmud Sanhedrin 4:2

If all men would be robots following the ideas of the leader then the world would be inhabited by imbeciles , not free thinking men. Perhaps such was the choice of Eve and Adam when they tasted the fruit of the tree of wisdom. Such was the choice of the Protestants who rebelled against the Catholic Church and the infallibility of the Pope. Such was the choice of the renaissance thinkers the fathers of the American revolution and the fathers of the French revolution the Communists who over threw the Czar and the Arab Spring in 2011 in the Middle East in Algiers Egypt Libya Yemen Syria and Iran.

However G-D'S reward and punishment can span centuries. G-d's goal can span 1000 2000 3000 4000 5000 6000 years. For G-d it already happened. For G-D is past present and future all in one . G-d is beyond time and space. G-d created creates and will create time and space in an on going process. For humans it takes 1000-6000 years to occur. G-D permitted Moses To share with him through prophesy what events will occur 1000 2000 3000 4000 5000 6000 a million a billion a trillion a zillion years into the future. G-d explained to Moses the connection between cause and consequence. G-d showed Moses the trials and tribulations of the Jewish people. He showed him the exile of the ten tribes followed by the