

# GLEANINGS

## **GOD'S PERFECT PEOPLE**

The purpose of the original books that compose the Bible was to describe to the reader how God will consummate His plans with exactly what He intended to have from the beginning. God wanted a perfect people to live in a perfect land. God wanted these people to choose to remain perfect and to return love to Him through obedience.

When God created Adam and Eve, they were perfect. They were sinless. God placed them in the Garden of Eden. The Garden of Eden was a perfect, sinless land.

The third qualifying determinant was that God wanted them to choose to remain perfect and to return love to Him through obedience. God told Adam and Eve they could freely eat from every tree in the garden except one. I do not believe that there was anything "mystical" about the Tree of Good and Evil. It was simply part of the test.

Adam and Eve chose, of their own free will, not to return obedient love to God. They chose, of their own free will, not to obey God's will for their life. They fell for one of Satan's oldest lies. You will be equal to God! Put in other words, Satan convinced Adam and Eve that if they would disobey God, he (Satan) would make them a god (Genesis 3:5). They failed the test and their eternal destiny was immediately put into jeopardy. Both their material bodies and their spiritual bodies were immediately out of fellowship with God.

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